

HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

April 12, 2026

Engaging in the Mission of God...

Opening Songs: "O Come to the Altar"
"Lord I Need You"

Please welcome and greet one another, as you are comfortable.

Bible Reading: Colossians 4:2-6

²Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. ³And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. ⁴Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. ⁵Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Children's Church (4yrs old-5th grade)

Announcements & Offering

Offering Song: "Abraham"

Message: *Act Wise*

Closing Song: "Blessed Be Your Name"

Worship leader: Brett Borman

Childcare: Jen Ursone, Josh Ursone, Holly Shaffer, Brittany Hollis and Lily Shaffer

Greeters: Chrissy Talbot and John Talbot

Scripture reader: Joyce Parcell

STAFF

Administrative Director: Karen Peterkin

Worship Leader: Brett Borman

Pastor: Josh Shaffer

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Children's Ministry:

Nursery care is available for the duration of the service. Children in pre-K through 5th grade are welcome to attend *Children's Church*, at the beginning of the announcements. If you are new to our church family, please take a moment to introduce yourself to our Children's Ministry volunteers when you drop off your kids. THANK YOU!

Dear Visitors and Guests,

Welcome to Hope! Please take a moment to visit the Welcome Table in the lobby to receive your free travel mug. If you would like to be added to our email list, please scan the QR code or contact us at info@hopeccdelco.com.



"BLESSING BAGS" FEEDING PROGRAM

Most needed donations include: Granola Bars, Nutri-Grain Bars, Horizon Shelf Sustainable Milk, Macaroni and Cheese Microwavable Cups, Canned Pasta, Canned Soup (with pop tops), Capri-Sun or Kool-Aid Juice Boxes/Pouches, Toaster Pastries (Pop-Tarts), Applesauce (single serve), Ritz Crackers Fresh Stacks.

UPCOMING

Property Committee Meeting, TODAY- The meeting will take place after worship in the Children's Church room.

Youth Parents' Meeting, April 19- Parents of students who will be in 6th-12th grade next year are encouraged to attend a planning meeting after worship in the Children's Church room.

Children's Ministry Meeting, April 26- Current and new Children's Church and Nursery volunteers will be meeting briefly after worship in the Children's Church room.

Yard Sale, Saturday, May 9- A "pay what you wish" yard sale fundraiser to support the PA Kenya Team. 8am - 12pm. Set up a table or a tarp and sell your items to raise funds for our missionaries. *Please plan to stay with your items and return home with any unsold items. Sign up at the Welcome Table if you plan to participate.*

Mother's Day, May 10- Join us in worship for a special message from Lynn Craig.

KENYA MISSION TRIP – July 19 – August 1

Please join us in praying for Charlotte Peterkin and Josh Peterkin who will be representing Hope CC as part of the 2026 Kenya Mission Team. In total, there are 10 missionaries from Pennsylvania, who each need to raise \$4,200 to make the trip to Kenya possible.

SMALL GROUPS

Youth Group – Hosted by Josh Shaffer

Students in grades 6–12 are welcome.

When: Sunday evenings from 6:30–8:00pm

Where: Hope House – 1st floor

Next meeting: April 12

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Women's Group

The group will be using weekly Discussion Questions based off of Sunday's message. All women are invited to attend!

When: Monday evenings from 7:00–8:30pm

Where: Hope House – 1st floor

Next meeting: April 13

Prayer Group – Hosted by Bob Citta

Bring a notebook and a Bible as we pray for our community.

When: Tuesday evenings from 7:00–8:30pm

Where: The Citta residence: 714 Prospect Ave, Prospect Park, 19076

Next meeting: April 14

Contact Bob with questions: bobcitta@gmail.com.

Adult Group – Hosted by Josh Shaffer

This Bible study follows the Life of Paul Bible Reading Plan.

When: Wednesday evenings from 7:00–8:30pm

Where: Hope House – 1st floor

Next meeting: April 15

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Men's Group

The group will be using weekly Discussion Questions based off of Sunday's message. All men are invited to attend!

When: Thursday evenings from 7:00–8:30pm

Where: Hope House – 1st floor

Next meeting: April 16

LIFE OF PAUL BIBLE READINGS

4/13: Ephesians 1:15–23

4/16: Ephesians 4:1–16

4/14: Ephesians 2:1–22

4/17: Ephesians 4:17–32

4/15: Ephesians 3:1–21

4/18: Ephesians 5:1–20

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer Porch Meetings – Facilitated by Bob & Lois Citta. Open to all.

When: Sunday mornings from 9:45am–10:25am at Hope House.

–Please email your prayer requests to: prayer@hopeccdelco.com.

–If you would like to receive prayer after worship, please join our Prayer Partners in the front of the Sanctuary.

Join our Children's Ministry Team

We are currently in need of additional volunteers to serve in our Children's Ministry as Children's Church Teachers, Children's Church Assistants, and Nursery Caregivers for the 2026–2027 school year.

If you have a heart to serve and invest in the next generation, we would love to have you join the team!

For those interested in teaching Children's Church, all curriculum is provided in advance, and preparation time is minimal (typically less than 30 minutes).

This is a wonderful opportunity to make a lasting impact on the lives of our children while serving the Lord in a meaningful way.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Pastor Josh: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com. ***You are welcome to attend an introductory meeting on Sunday, April 26th immediately following worship.***

1st QUARTER BUDGET UPDATE

Weekly need to meet budget: \$3,675.20

Average weekly giving received: \$4,309.33

\$634.13/week above need

Easter offering: \$6,480.00 for our Kenya Missionaries

Join us after worship at Hope Café, across the lawn at Hope House, for some free refreshments.