December 14, 2025



Engaging in the Mission of God...

Opening Songs: "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

"Mighty to Save"

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

Bible Reading: Matthew 25:35-40

³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' ³⁷ "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' ⁴⁰ "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

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

Announcements & Offering

Offering Song: "Heart of the Father"

Message: The Ultimate Christmas List

Closing Song: "How Great is Our God"

Worship musicians: Brett Borman and Jon Blasucci

Childcare: Jen Ursone, Josh Ursone, Dominique Meo, Fallon Gallagher,

Olivia Gallagher and Kegan Gallagher

Greeter: Walt Myers

Scripture reader: Michelle Hews

STAFF

Administrative Director: Karen Peterkin

Worship Leader: Brett Borman

Pastor: Josh Shaffer

hopeccdelco.com | info@hopeccdelco.com

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.



UPCOMING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 21 - Hope Christmas Spectacular.

A family-friendly worship service, featuring songs and Scripture that celebrate the Christmas Season. (No Children's Church)

Wednesday, December 24, 7pm. Christmas Eve Service.

Join us for a special candlelight service. (No Livestream, No Children's Church, No Nursery)

100% of our Christmas Eve offering will be given to purchase food for "Blessing Bags" Feeding Program.

Sunday, December 28 - Prayer Service.

Join us in the sanctuary at 10:30am for a time of prayer, in lieu of a traditional Sunday service. (No Livestream, No Children's Church, No Nursery)

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Church offering envelope boxes are available on the Welcome Table. If interested, please sign out a numbered box on the sheet provided.

LIFE OF PAUL BIBLE READINGS

12/15: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 12/16: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 12/17: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 12/18 - 12/31 CATCH UP

SMALL GROUPS

Youth Group – Hosted by Josh Shaffer

Students in grades 6-12 are welcome.

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

<u>Where</u>: Hope House – 1st floor <u>Next meeting:</u> **December 14**

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

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: December 16

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

<u>Where</u>: Hope House – 1st floor <u>Next meeting</u>: **December 17**

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study – Led by Bob Citta When: The first Saturday of the month at 8:30am

Where: At the home of Bob and Lois Citta. 714 Prospect Ave,

Prospect Park, 19076

<u>Next meeting:</u> January 3

Please sign up at the Welcome Table. Contact Bob with questions:

bobcitta@gmail.com

Women's Group

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor Next meeting: January 5

Men's Group

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor Next meeting: January 8

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.

MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE: NOVEMBER

Weekly need to meet budget: \$3,571.63 Average weekly giving received: \$3,664.66

\$93.03/week above need

CURRENT MESSAGE SERIES: Advent Conspiracy

Reorienting the celebration of Christmas around the birth of Jesus.

November 30 – Part 1: Earn Credit

Do Christians celebrate Christmas any differently than people who are not Christians?

- Luke 6:32-36

December 7 – Part 2: Giving in the Right Direction
The Christmas season is a wonderful opportunity to extend extra
generosity to those in need. Unfortunately, sometimes we
inadvertently end up giving to the rich while neglecting the poor.

– Luke 14:12-14

December 14 – Part 3: *The Ultimate Christmas List* We don't have to stress over what to give Jesus for Christmas. He's already given us His Christmas list.

- Matthew 25:35-40

December 21 – Part 4: *The Best Gift Ever!*

The greatest gift of all has already been given to us. We just have to choose to accept it and share it.

- Matthew 1:18-21

The flowers on the altar have been given in loving memory of Margaret Rooney.

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