July 20, 2025



Engaging in the Mission of God...

Opening Songs: "How Great is Our God"

"Jesus Messiah"

"One Thing Remains"

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

Bible Reading: Matthew 7:3-6

³"Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye. ⁶"Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

Announcements & Offering

Offering Song: "From the Inside Out"

Message: Spec Removal

Worship musicians: Brett Borman, Jon Blasucci and Joshua Peterkin Nursery caregivers: Amanda Guida, Patti Carney and Barb Kuzmick

Greeters: Gary Oakland and Judy Oakland

Scripture reader: Bill Mullen

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! *Children's Church is on Summer Break- see you September 7th!*

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

Donations include: Granola Bars, Fruit Bars, Horizon Shelf Sustainable Milk, Macaroni and Cheese Microwavable Cups, Chef Boyardee Microwavable Cups, Ramen Noodles or any Microwavable Soup, Hormel Meals, Juice Boxes/Pouches, Fruit Snacks, Applesauce (single serve), Fruit Cups (single serve), Other Snacks (single serve) - Chips, Pudding, Cookies, Pretzels, etc.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Blessing Bag preparation: Thursdays at 6:00pm. Blessing Bag distribution: Fridays 5pm – 7:15pm at St. Stephen's Church: 128 Chester Pike, Norwood. blessingbagsforchildren@gmail.com

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Saturday, September 6 – Overdose Awareness Memorial Walk, 11am-4pm at Rose Tree Park, Media

Volunteers are needed to help with setup at 8am or clean up after the event.

HOPE COMMUNITY T-SHIRTS

Hope Community Church grey T-shirts are now available for preorder. The T-shirts are free and child sizes are available. Paper order forms can be found on the Welcome Table in the foyer or check your email for an online form. **All orders must be placed by Sunday, August 3rd.** Orders are expected to arrive by the end of August. Contact Karen Peterkin with questions: kpeterkin@hopeccdelco.com

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer Group – Hosted by Bob Citta. Open to all.

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

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

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

Next meeting: July 22

Contact Bob with questions: bobcitta@gmail.com.

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.

Kenya Mission Trip – July 14 – July 26

Please join us in praying for Brian Ursone and Bella Ursone who are representing Hope CC as part of the 2025 Kenya Mission Team. Follow the Kenya Team blog at: kenyateamblog.com

2nd QUARTER BUDGET UPDATE

Weekly need to meet budget: \$3,571.63 Average weekly giving received: \$3,395.71

\$175.92/week below need

MEN'S BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY SUMMER READINGS

Matthew 10 Mark 4,5,6,7 and 8:1-15 Luke 6,7,8 and 9:1-17 John 6

CURRENT MESSAGE SERIES: Better Together

6/22 - 7/27

We cannot experience the fullness of the life Christ desires for us in isolation. We are meant to live in community with our fellow believers.

June 22 - Part 1: Brothers and Sisters

Those of us who have fellowship with Christ, and with one another, are more than just acquaintances. We are to be devoted to one another as faithful brothers and sisters.

- 1 Thessalonians 5:11-15

June 29 - Part 2: Bear With Me

Every single member of your church family is a work in progress, even those who have been Christians for a very long time. Therefore, we all need to be patient and gracious with each other as we bear one another's burdens.

- Ephesians 4:1-4

July 6 – Part 3: Covering More Ground, Together (Kenya Send Off) A church full of believers can accomplish more together than one individual Christian could ever accomplish on their own.

- James 2:14-17

July 13 - Part 4: Plank Removal

We can become powerful guides to our brothers and sisters in the faith, after we remove the *plank* out of our own *eyes*.

- Matthew 7:1-5

July 20 - Part 5: Spec Removal

It is very difficult to hold on to ungodly attitudes, ungodly behaviors and erroneous beliefs when we are engaged in authentic Christian community.

- Matthew 7:3-6

July 27 - Part 6: Gathering Together

The deepest levels of discipleship can only be reached within the context of community.

- Hebrews 10:23-25