



November 23, 2025

*Engaging in the Mission of God...*

**Opening Songs:** "Narrow Road"  
"Hold Us Together"

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

**Bible Reading:** Matthew 25:19-23

<sup>19</sup>"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' <sup>21</sup>"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' <sup>22</sup>"The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.' <sup>23</sup>"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

**Children's Church (4yrs old-5<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**Announcements & Offering**

**Offering Song:** "Gratitude"

**Message:** *Investing for Maximum Returns*

**Closing Song:** "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

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Worship musicians: Brett Borman, Joshua Peterkin and Anthony Tilton

Childcare: Joyce Parcell, Alyssa Grady, Jen Ursone, Josh Ursone and Kelly Celona

Greeter: Karen Peterkin

Scripture reader: Lori Droxler

## 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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.



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## "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.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### - Thanksgiving Service Project - Diaper Drive

Between now and **December 7**, we will be collecting diapers (size newborn – 6) for Amnion Pregnancy Care Medical Center.

- A 2026 Kenya Mission Team interest meeting will take place on **Wednesday, December 3** at 7pm at Bethlehem Church (4 Westtown Rd, Thorton, PA). *Please see your email for more details.*

- All women are invited to decorate gingerbread houses on **Monday, December 8** at 7pm at the home of Joy Borman: 654 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. Prospect Park, PA. Gingerbread and icing will be provided- bring your own decorations for the house! Contact Joy with questions and *please RSVP if you plan to attend.* Joyborman82@gmail.com, 610.742.3040.

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## LIFE OF PAUL BIBLE READINGS

11/20 – 11/27 CATCH UP

11/28: 1 Corinthians 4:1-13

11/29: 1 Corinthians 4:14-21

## SMALL GROUPS

### **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: November 25

### **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 – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

Next meeting: December 3

### **Men's Group**

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

Where: Hope House – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

Next meeting: December 4

### **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

Next meeting: December 6

*Please sign up at the Welcome Table. Contact Bob with questions: bobcitta@gmail.com*

### **Youth Group** – Hosted by Josh Shaffer

*Students in grades 6–12 are welcome.*

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

Where: Hope House – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

Next meeting: December 14

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## UPCOMING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

### **TODAY – Christmas Decorating Party.**

All are invited to join us, immediately after worship.

### **Sunday, December 7, 6:30–8pm – Family Christmas Craft.**

Families of all shapes and sizes are invited to this event.

### **Sunday, December 21 – Hope Christmas Spectacular.**

A family-friendly worship service, featuring songs and Scripture that celebrate the Christmas Season.

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

Join us for a special candlelight service. (No Livestream)

### **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)

## 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.

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## MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE: OCTOBER

Weekly need to meet budget: \$3,571.63

Average weekly giving received: \$3,619.45

\$47.82/week above need

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## CURRENT MESSAGE SERIES: Money Matters

11/9 – 11/23

Money can be used to meet our needs, or it can be wasted on indulgences that pull us away from God. Money can become a source of stress, especially when it is absent from our lives. But the abundance of money can create even more problems than its absence. Thankfully, the Bible is filled with wisdom concerning how we should think about money and how we should use it in a way that honors God and blesses others.

### November 9 – Part 1: *Free to Give*

The Israelites were commanded to give, according to the old covenant. In contrast, according to the new covenant, we have freedom concerning giving.

– 2 Corinthians 9:6–8

### November 16 – Part 2: The Road to Tithing, and Beyond

Giving God our “first fruits” is an act of faith marked by trust and a willingness to sacrifice.

– Malachi 3:8–12

### November 23 – Part 3: *Investing for Maximum Returns*

Every time we part ways with our money we are making an investment. As believers, we want our investments to yield the highest possible returns in the Kingdom of God.

– Matthew 25:19–23