

HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

November 9, 2025

Engaging in the Mission of God...

Opening Songs: "Your Words"
"Boldly I Approach"

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

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

⁶Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

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

Announcements & Offering

Offering Song: "Lord I Need You"

Message: *Free to Give*

Closing Song: "Build Your Kingdom Here"

Worship musicians: Brett Borman, Jon Blasucci and Joshua Peterkin
Childcare: Jen Ursone, Josh Ursone, Patti Carney, Jackie Callaghan and Mackenzie Callaghan
Greeter: Sara Albright
Scripture reader: Brindy Reiher

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.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **TODAY IS THE DEADLINE** to place your order for a Hope Community Church hooded sweatshirt. Paper order forms can be found on the Welcome Table or check your email for a digital order form. Contact Karen with questions: kpeterkin@hopeccdelco.com

- A 2026 Kenya Mission Team interest meeting will take place on **Wednesday, December 3** at 7pm at Bethlehem Methodist Church (4 Westtown Rd, Thorton, PA). If you are interested in learning more about the 2-week trip in July and the requirements, please plan to attend. Attending the meeting is not a commitment to join the team.

LIFE OF PAUL BIBLE READINGS

11/10: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12
11/11: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-17
11/12: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-18
11/13: Acts 19:1-22
11/14: Acts 19:23-41
11/15: 1 Corinthians 1:1-17

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: **November 9**

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Women's Group

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor

Next meeting: **November 10**

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 11**

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: **November 12**

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Men's Group

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor

Next meeting: **November 13**

UPCOMING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 23 – Christmas Decorating Party.

All are invited to join us, immediately after worship.

Sunday, December 7, 6:30pm – 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.

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.

MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE: OCTOBER

Weekly need to meet budget: \$3,571.63

Average weekly giving received: \$3,619.45

\$47.82/week above need

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

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