September 7, 2025



Engaging in the Mission of God...

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

"Simplicity"

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

Bible Reading: Acts 1:1-5

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

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

Announcements & Offering

Offering Song: "Your Grace is Enough"

Message: While Waiting

Closing Song: "From the Inside Out"

Worship musicians: Brett Borman and Anthony Tilton

Childcare: Bob Citta, Lois Citta, Rose Marie Blasucci, Fallon Gallaher,

Olivia Gallagher and Kegan Gallagher

Greeter: Jackie Callahan 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

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

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, September 7 & 21– Tech Boot Camps

Our team of volunteers for tech is expanding! If you would like to serve on our tech team running the livestream/PowerPoint and/or the soundboard, you are invited to join us for "Tech Boot Camp" on 9/7 or 9/21 in the balcony after worship. The same training will be offered on both dates.

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 First meeting: September 7

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Women's Group

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor First meeting: September 8

Prayer Group – Hosted by Bob Citta

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: September 9

Contact Bob with questions: bobcitta@gmail.com.

Adult Group – Hosted by Josh Shaffer

All are welcome to this Bible study that will follow the Life of Paul Bible Reading Plan.

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor First meeting: September 10

Contact Pastor Josh with questions: jshaffer@hopeccdelco.com

Men's Group

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

Where: Hope House – 1st floor First meeting: September 11

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: AUGUST

Weekly need to meet budget: \$3,571.63 Average weekly giving received: \$3,520.44

\$51.19/week below need

MEN'S BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY SUMMER READINGS FOR OCTOBER MEETING

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

LIFE OF PAUL BIBLE READINGS

9/8: Acts 3:1-10 9/9: Acts 3:11-26 9/10: Acts 4:1-22 9/11: Acts 4:23-37 9/12: Acts 5:1-16 9/13: Acts 5:17-42

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