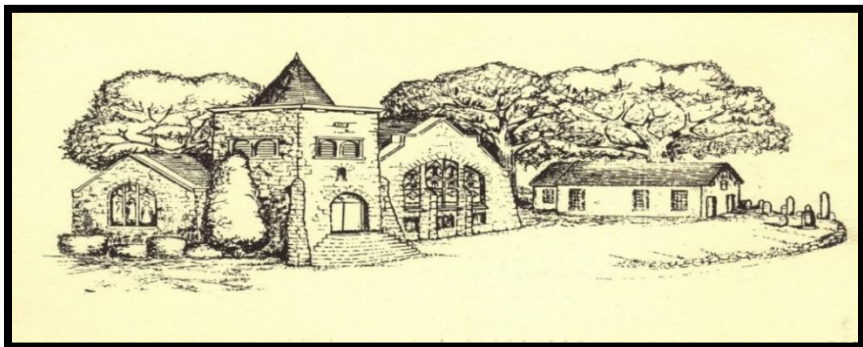


**Fireside Chat** – On **Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>** we will have a fireside chat in the sanctuary following the morning gathering. There will be no small groups that morning, and all are invited to join the conversation!

**CEF Meeting** – There will be a CEF meeting following on **Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>** for all who are interested in volunteering for the next Good News Club semester at Doe Run Elementary.

**Senior Saints Lunch Outing** - Will be held on **Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>** at Olive Garden Italian Restaurant in Downingtown at **12 noon**. There is a sign up sheet on the Ministry Table in the lobby. Please sign up on or before May 31<sup>st</sup>. Hope you can join us. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff or Terry Haag.

**2026 Graduates** – We are excited to recognize our church family graduates during the month of June. If you have children or grandchildren who are graduating this year, please email [hbch1720@gmail.com](mailto:hbch1720@gmail.com) and we will include them in our bulletin.



## Growing together to become more like Jesus for the glory of God!

### Upcoming Events

**Morning Church:** Lobby Greeter – Greg Aubel  
Nursery – Deb Fialkowski and Barb Cicchelli

**Tonight:** Kids4Truth, 4G youth Group, Young Adults 6:00 PM

**This Week:** MONDAY - Ladies’ Bible Study (ZOOM) 6:45 –8:45 PM  
TUESDAY – Men’s Bible Study (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays) 7:00 PM  
WEDNESDAY - Family Prayer Hour 7:00 PM  
THURSDAY – ESL Class 6:30-8:00 PM

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TODAY	Celebrating Hephzibah’s 306 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	
	Graveside Service – Honoring a Veteran	9:15 AM
	Morning Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Covered Dish Luncheon	11:30 AM
May 24	Fireside Chat	11:45 AM
May 26	Leadership Team Meeting	7:00 PM
May 31	Child Evangelism Fellowship Volunteers Meeting	11:45 AM
June 4	Senior Saints Luncheon	12 Noon
June 9	Ladies’ Missionary Fellowship	7:00 PM

Last Sunday’s Attendance – 52

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#### Missionary Birthdays and Anniversaries

Leon Brubaker – 5/5  
Rob Sundholm – 5/27

Jack and Sue Crans – 5/22

#### Missionary of the Month for May

##### **Chester County Connect Care**

Founded in 1985 and based in Coatesville, PA, CCCC provides free pregnancy- related medical care and compassionate support to individuals and families facing unexpected pregnancies. Their mission is to educate and empower individuals and their families to make life-affirming choices while experiencing the hope and healing found in Christ.

##### CCCC’s Four Pillars of Ministry

**Medical Services** - Free limited pregnancy-related care

**Education** – Free sessions offered in English and Spanish

**Empowering Resources** – Guidance for healthy lifestyles

**Building Foundations** – A Residential Housing Program providing stability, shelter, and guidance for women preparing for independent living

##### City Gate Mission

(610)383-6934

Money Donations are greatly needed!  
**Other Donations:** XL/XXL Nylar/Nitrile, powder free serving gloves, Styrofoam - 8 oz. Cups, 9” Plates, 12 & 20 oz. Bowls, Plastic Knives & Forks, Paper Towels & Napkins, Toilet Paper, Laundry Detergent, and Cleaning Products

Donated items can be placed on the designated “City Gate” table in the Church lobby. Please see Pastor Mike if you have any questions. *Thank you!*

**Ministries of  
Hephzibah Baptist Church**

**Ladies' Monday Night  
Bible Study**

**6:45 PM**

Revelation - "Behold the King!"  
Mary Brubaker

**Family Prayer Hour  
7:00 PM**

Weekly on Wednesdays

**Sundays 6:00 PM**

*Unless otherwise indicated*

**Kids4Truth**

Kindergarten – 6th Grade  
Mary Brubaker and Betty Phillips

**4G Youth Group**

*Grounded and Growing 4 God's Glory*  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Mike and Kelly Stitzel  
David and Lauren Brubaker

**Young Adult Group**

Greg and Karyn Aubel

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**Application and Discussion Questions**

- What are some signs that our worship has become influenced more by pride, self-interest, or man's desires than by God's truth?
- What does it mean to 'love the truth' in the context of your spiritual life?
- How can we practically seek to root out false worship in our daily lives?
- What steps can you take to ensure that your worship remains centered on God rather than on yourself or societal expectations?
- What are some modern examples of 'Babylon' in our culture today?
- In what ways are you tempted toward, or actively engaged in, Babylonian worship in your daily life— seeking self-exaltation, control, comfort, or worship on your own terms?
- Confess these to God. Repent of them. Then prayerfully consider sharing them with a trusted brother or sister in Christ who can help guard and encourage you toward faithful worship.
- How do humility, correction, and submission to God's Word protect us from drifting into false worship?



**Hephzibah Baptist  
Church**

**May 17, 2026 10:00 AM**

<b>Song</b>	This is My Father's World	#143
<b>Announcements</b>		Pastor Mike
<b>Prayer</b>		David Needham
<b>Song</b>	Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing	#11
<b>Song</b>	Turn Your Eyes	
<b>Sermon</b>	The False Worship of "Babylon"	Pastor Mike
<b>Song</b>	I Have Decided to Follow Jesus	#602

**Tithes and offerings can be contributed at the Welcome Center.**  
*Thank you!*

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