

:: You are invited to get involved at FCC ::

Dessert Auction ... Our annual lunch-n-auction event is today! All proceeds will benefit children & youth summer camps. This is a great time to stay after church, enjoy lunch together (sloppy-joes) and bid on some great desserts for a great cause! No RSVP's required!!

A Call to Prayer ... This Thursday, we will be opening the church for prayer from 5:30-8AM. Would you consider getting up a few minutes early and joining us around the altars of our church? Come when you can and leave when you need to. Prayer guides are available to help you pray for the people of the church and general requests.

National Day of Prayer ... will be this Thursday, May 5. Our church will be available for anyone to "come and go" prayer time in the morning (5:30 AM - 9AM) and there will a community gathering at 12 NOON at the Riverview Park Bandshell. Several area churches and pastors are participating in this unified prayer gathering. Join us if you can.

Family Dodgeball ... Be on the lookout for a fun night for all ages! Our Community Life Team is coordinating this event for Sunday, May 22. Events are being planned for all ages and more details are coming!

"All In" Update ... Our Trustees have several "All In" projects underway. Be looking for improvements in our lighting, projection and sound very soon! Thank you for your generosity making this possible!! If you submitted a pledge but did NOT receive a letter this week, please see Pastor Terry this morning. Thank you.

Flushing Christian Outreach Center ... The FCOOC continues to serve nearly 400 friends a month with food and clothing. They are currently in need of cereal, crackers and laundry soap. Any donations can be placed in our bins located in the front airlock.

Women of Faith ... is coming to Indianapolis this August and we have only 20 tickets remaining! Our first payment is due this morning (\$69 if you paid your \$20 deposit)! Discover details at the display next to the Welcome Center this morning or come to a brief meeting after the service (we'll meet by the Upward basketball hoops).

Stay Informed ... Sign up for "Plugged In" our church email newsletter delivered biweekly! Subscribing to this list also allows us to communicate other important church news to you. Write your email in our Friendship books today or see Mary Ann Korte.

Summer Camps at Waters Edge ... Forms are available at the Welcome Center for our 2011 summer camps.



watersedgecamp.org

Name:	Completed Grade:	Price:	Dates:
Senior High	9-12	\$250	June 19-24
Junior High	7-8	\$250	June 26-July 1
Primary	1-2	\$150	July 6-8
Preteen	5-6	\$250	July 10-15
Middler	3-4	\$225	July 17-22



Our Church Story

In the summer of 1996, God began to move in the hearts of a handful of people to start a creative new church in Flushing. In January of 1997, Pastor Darrel Harvey and his family moved from Cincinnati to the Flushing area to begin this new ministry.

By September 1998, eight families had responded to God's call to form the core of Flushing Community Church of the Nazarene. The church was officially launched on March 28, 1999 initially meeting at the Crouse Instructional Center. Through the years we've met in various places but always had the same drive to be a relevant voice of God's love.

We moved into our current worship facility on October 5, 2003. This 12,000 sq. ft. facility was built with the dream of being a place where our community and church would gather for various purposes. It has been used for sport and recreation, funerals and weddings, and weekly worship.

Flushing Community Church has experienced some wonderful days! We've also experienced some great struggles and deep trials. Through it all, we've seen God's loving arms reaching down to us offering hope and purpose.

The next page of our story is still being written. Will you join us to see what God has in store for our journey? We hope that you will. Feel free to contact any member of our staff with questions you have about FCC and be sure to explore how you can be involved!

Stewardship Report: Mar. '11 - Feb. '12

	4/24 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	420			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$7,138	\$6,734	\$53,847	\$53,872
"All In" Fund (2011-12 Ministry Initiatives)	\$849	\$1,154	\$30,993	\$9,232

Thank you for your faithfulness in worshipping the Lord by giving of your financial resources!

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We are glad you are here!

Today at Flushing Community Church:

Today is going to be a great day to experience the power of God. We are excited that you have chosen to join us on this Sunday morning! You find yourself in a safe place today to engage your faith and your questions.

This morning we continue our Ashes to Fire series as we enter a the season between resurrection and ascension. Jesus reveals himself several times over a 50 day period of time. None of these appearances carry more personal connection than when he appears to Thomas. This disciple was not quick to believe in Jesus' resurrection - he needed more proof. Aren't we all just like that?

Grab some coffee, find a comfortable seat and open your heart to the work of God today. Sing with us. Pray with us. Stay with us!

Where Do I Go From Here?

Have you responded to God's grace today? Are you interested in learning more about God and His amazing love for you? We would be honored to share some information with you and help you discover this love. Please give the pastoral staff a call [732-0282] or send them an email [located on back] to set up a time to talk more or just to ask questions! We are here for you!

Who We Are:

Flushing Community Church is a Church of the Nazarene. Our focus in ministry is to all people from all walks of life in Flushing and its surrounding communities, yet we also exist to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus around the world through world missions and the Church of the Nazarene. If you would like to know more about the Church of the Nazarene, check out our denominational website at www.nazarene.org.

What We Do:

Our mission in starting Flushing Community Church in March of 1999 was, and continues to be, "Sharing Christ and Equipping People in Creative, Contemporary, Credible and Caring Ways." We see a clear picture of what the church should look like in scripture (Acts chapter 2) ... "They committed themselves to the teaching of the apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers. Everyone around was in awe ... and all the believers lived in a wonderful harmony, holding everything in common." That continues to be our goal as we share life together.

Financial Contributions:

Our church is a non-profit organization that is funded 100% through the gifts freely given by its people. We believe that God's Word challenges all those in the faith to give 10% (also known as a "tithe") of their income back to the Lord to be used for ministry locally and globally. While 10% is a challenge for many of us, we encourage everyone who attends FCCN regularly to participate in supporting the church. You may place any financial gifts in the wooden stands near the entrance of the worship facility. Online contributions can be done through your personal banking institution. Instructions on this method are at the Welcome Center. Thank you for your faithful giving and support of our church.



FORGIVENESS:
"deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay"

This Month's Virtue ... is "forgiveness"! Each week, our children will be bringing home a sheet that will describe the lesson and the key Bible verse for the week. Parents, engage your children's spiritual development by going over this page with them!

Prayer Bear Program ... Would you like to help connect with children who could use some encouragement? See Debbie to learn more!

Flushing Student Ministry

Senior High ... We will be gathering this evening at the Harris house (2354 Flagstone) for a great night of fun and good Biblical conversation. See Beth Harris for times and more details.

High School Girls Bible Study ... join us from 7-8:30 PM at the Wallace's (3366 Ambleside) each Monday. See Carly Lord or Adalee Roberston if you'd like more information today.

CLUB 56

A ministry for 5th & 6th graders

Sunday Mornings ... All preteens (5th & 6th grades) meet in the Loft this morning. The loft is located in the NW corner of the gym.

Sunday Evenings ... Club 56 will be gathering again soon!! See Josh & Angie Upleger for more information.

Mercy Team

Ministry leader and contact: Bob Coe (659-9719)

What is Mercy Team? We seek to meet the needs of our community through financial assistance, physical labor or whatever it takes! Do you have an idea for the Mercy Team? Join us on the first Monday of each month as we openly explore new ways to meet the growing need!

Mobile Food Pantry ... Our first of six food distributions will be taking place on Wednesday, May 18 at Meadowbrook Manor (off of Mt. Morris Road). See Bob Coe if you can help.

:: Prayer & Praises ::

We believe in prayer and that it impacts lives! Take time to pray over these needs and take some tangible steps to encourage those laid on your heart!

- Kathy Bendall:** beginning cancer treatments
- Family of Fay Close:** who passed away 4/29 (grandfather of Steve Close)
- The Cole Family:** in the adoption process
- Family of Greg Flint:** Lora, Josh, Talia, Elijah (and his many friends)
- John Jordan:** recently diagnosed with cancer (friends of Brandt's & Fras')
- Melody Keeler:** recently diagnosed with cancer
- David Piechowski:** multiple health concerns including ALS
- Karen Quintal:** battling Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD)
- John Rau:** battling colon cancer (uncle to Wendy Freeman)
- Karen Rosell:** multiple health related concerns (friend of Michelle Cole)
- The Family of Robert Stansfield:** who passed away 4/22 (father of Mary Marks)
- Bernie Towns:** battling cancer (friend of the Upleger's)
- Expectant Mothers:** Rojeanna Williams.

General Prayers to remember ...

- Youth Pastor Search:** pray for guidance in this new pursuit
- Our Staff & Leadership:** wisdom, protection, unity, and vision.
- Those Looking for Work:** may God open the right doors!
- Our Soldiers** ... Josh Barber (USMC); Ryan Crist (USARMY - Iraq) Levi Garret (USARMY - Afghanistan); Allan Hadland (USARMY - Afghanistan); Cole Iaquinto (Nat'l Guard); Andrew Marks (USAF in Kansas) *[share any additional military names with Pastor Terry]*

If you have a prayer concern, please share those with our office staff so that you can be supported through prayer! Call the office at 732.0282. Thank you!

:: Coming this Week ::

SUNDAY | MAY 1

- 10:30 AM Morning Worship Service
- 12:00 PM Mercy Team Lunch & Dessert Auction
High School gathering at Harris' Home
- 7:00 PM Men's Open Basketball

MONDAY | MAY 2

- 7:00 PM Mercy Team Meeting

TUESDAY | MAY 3

- 7:00 PM Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY | MAY 4

- 7:00 PM Growing Kids God's Way

THURSDAY | MAY 5

- 5:30-8AM Open prayer time at the church
- 12:00 PM National Day of Prayer Gathering (Riverview Bandshell)

:: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

MAY:

- 10..... Ministry Leadership Team Meeting
- 18..... Mobile Food Pantry