

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

**Happy Mothers Day!** We are very honored that you have joined us on this very special day! We love moms and hope you feel extra special on this day set aside just for you!

**New with us?** Please stop by the Welcome Center and receive a special gift for being with us today! Be sure to introduce yourself to our Pastor by the front door as you leave. He would love to meet you!

**Stay Informed ...** We communicate frequently through email and Facebook. Share your email with us and find our Facebook page to stay connected!

**Church Directory ...** Our church directory is available through our website. You may update your information through the Friendship Folder (please write "change" by it). Submit an updated family picture to Mary Ann Korte at mak@flushingcommunity.org or see her following service today to have one taken!

**All-Church Bike Ride ...** Spring is finally here and the Community Life Team is coordinating a fun bike ride through the Flushing Trail and County Park on Sunday, May 19 at 2:30 PM. The day will include ice cream and fun games, too!

**What On Earth Am I Here For?** Like most of us, you've probably asked yourself this question in your lifetime. The answer is that God has a special plan for every one of us - we find our purpose in Him! Be looking for more details on how you can discover your purpose!

**Flint New Life Church ...** Is looking for assistance in their growing Sunday School program which takes place Sunday's at 1 PM. Weekly commitment is not necessary. See Pastor Steve for details.

**... Mercy Team Notes ...**

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

**Loose Change Needed!** ... Stop by the Welcome Table today and drop your loose change in the big "baby bottle." These funds provide diapers for the East Side Mission.

**Mobile Food Pantry ...** Join us in our next food distribution on Wednesday, May 22. You can join at Meadowbrook Manor (Mt. Morris Rd) between 8:30-9AM as we get organized. Sign up or get more details at the Welcome Center this morning.

**... Water's Edge 2013 Summer Camps ...**

*Applications are available for our camps at the Welcome Center. You can also learn more and register online at [www.watersedgecamp.org](http://www.watersedgecamp.org)*



Camp Name:	Dates:	Grade Completed	Full Price:	FCC Price:	Friends Price:
Encompass	June 23-28	9-12	\$250	<b>\$150</b>	\$200
Base Camp	July 7-12	7-8	\$250	<b>\$150</b>	\$200
LEAP	June 16-21	5-6	\$250	<b>\$150</b>	\$200
Champ	July 14-18	3-4	\$200	<b>\$120</b>	\$160
Discovery	July 18-19	1-2	\$100	<b>\$60</b>	\$80

Save an **additional \$25** if registered by June 1!!



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 and by the following fall eight families had responded to God's call to begin this new church.

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 to the community of Flushing and the surrounding area.

Our church was blessed and grew quickly and in the fall of 2003 we moved into our new multi-functional facility here on Pierson Road. Over these wonderful years, we have experienced some wonderful days and some deep struggles. Through it all, we've seen God's loving arms reaching down to us offering love, hope and purpose.

Pastor Terry Bate became our Lead Pastor in 2009 and God has called a fantastic staff to join him in leading our church into the future. By God's grace, the next exciting page of our story is still being written. Will you join us to see what God has in store for our journey together? We really 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: <small>Mar. '13 - Feb. '14</small>	5/05 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	296			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$9,050	\$8,225	\$66,456	\$82,230

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

**:: Our Leadership Team ::**

**Terry Bate** (Lead Pastor).....terry@flushingcommunity.org  
**Steve Close** (Creative Arts).....pastorsteveclose@yahoo.com  
**Joel Heald** (Student Ministries) .....joel@flushingcommunity.org  
**Darcy Smith** (Children's Ministries).....darcy@flushingcommunity.org  
**Mike DeVuyst** (Spiritual Formation).....mike@flushingcommunity.org  
**Mary Ann Korte** (Administrator).....mak@flushingcommunity.org

**Our Church Board Members:**

Dave Barclay (2016) | Mark Burba (2014) | Matt Johnson (2016)  
 Joe Ledger (2014) | Melissa Maynor (2015) | Dan Tabor (2015)

**Flushing Community Church of the Nazarene**

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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.

Happy Mothers Day to everyone! Mothers are a critical part of anyone's life and today we celebrate all that learned from our moms. This morning, Pastor Terry will be sharing part one of a two part series called "Clay." We don't think too often about clay in our modern world but it was an essential element in ancient civilizations. Scripture commonly used clay to describe our lives in relation to God's authority.

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] 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 the work of the Church of the Nazarene. If you would like to know more about the Church of the Nazarene, visit our denominational website at [www.nazarene.org](http://www.nazarene.org).

### **Our Mission and Core Values:**

God loves everyone in the world so much and He desires that we love Him in return. Our mission as a community of believers is "to experience the transforming love of God and share it with others." This mission calls us to personally worship God and become more Christ-like in the process. As we carry out this mission, we believe these core values must define our behavior along the way:

- ◆ Embracing the love of God through meaningful and relevant worship.
- ◆ Experiencing authentic friendships.
- ◆ Serving others with mercy.
- ◆ Pursuing truth with honest questions.
- ◆ Reaching out to others in love.

### **Financial Contributions:**

Our church is a non-profit organization that is funded 100% through the financial gifts which are freely given. We believe that God's Word challenges us to give 10% (also known as a "tithe") of our income back to the Lord to be used for ministry both locally and globally. While this is a challenge for many of us, we encourage everyone to support your church regularly. You may place any financial gifts in the wooden collection stands (located near the doors & Welcome Center) or give online through our website. Thank you for your generosity and support.

## Kid City Children's Ministries:

*Life App . . . .Patience: Waiting until later for what you want now!*

**Today Lesson** ... "Udder Disaster" -Looking at the golden calf- *Exodus 32*

**Bottom Line** ... When you think you can't wait, don't forget what is true.

**This Month's Memory Verse** ... Wait for the Lord. Be strong and don't lose hope. Wait for the Lord. *Psalms 27:14*

**Family Bike Parade** ... Decorate your bike, put on your helmet and join us in our Family Bike Parade on Sunday, May 19. We will meet in the Bueche's parking lot and ride together through the park. Save the date!

**Nursery Workers Needed** ... If you are interested in filling in as a substitute in the nursery, please stop by the Welcome table and let them know you are interested.

## Club 56:

**A ministry for 5th & 6th graders**

**Today's Lesson** ... The Offensive Weapon: The Bible is Everlasting! You can engage with your kids by asking about the lesson today.

**6th Grade Graduation** ... We are celebrating 6th grade graduation into youth group on Friday, May 31 at 6:00 PM. All families of current 5th & 6th graders are invited. Dinner provided. Please sign up at the Welcome Table if you plan on attending.

**Summer Event Schedule** ... Make your Club 56 child gets you the Summer Event Schedule today. Be sure to get these events on your calendar.

**Summer Camp** ... It is time to sign up for camp. Camp schedules are at the Welcome Center. If you have any questions about dates or cost, see Pastor Darcy.

## Boost for Kids:

**Boost This Wednesday!** ... Come hang out with us in the gym while your parents enjoy a Bible Study. This week we are looking at heroes of the world and in the eyes of God. We are hoping all K-6th graders will join us. Nursery through pre-school care is also available.

## fusion Student Ministries:

**Tonight** ... It's Mother's Day, so go hug your mom and spend some time with her! No Fusion tonight.

**Boost** ... Join us this Wednesday, 6:30 PM, at THE OAK. We will conclude our conversation about God's unique design for our lives.

**Summer Events** ... Mark your calendars for Sr. High Camp (June 23-28). Jr. High Camp (July 7-12). Forge Flint (July 21-26). It's going to be a crazy, awesome summer!

## :: 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!

**The Cole Family:** in the adoption process (*they are now #1 on the list!*)

**Mark Gibbs:** battling cancer (husband of Dorie)

**John Jordan:** battling cancer

**David Piechowski:** multiple health concerns including ALS

**Richard Quintal:** ongoing health issues

**The Strobridge Family:** in the adoption process

**General Prayers to remember ...**

**Our Staff & Leadership:** wisdom, protection, unity, and vision.

**Our Church:** to live with great boldness and deep love

**Families & Marriages:** many going thru rough times, separation, divorce

**Our Schools, Teachers & Students:** God's protection & wisdom

**Our Expectant Mothers:** Amy Lintz

**Those Looking for Work:** may God open the right doors!

**Our Soldiers** ... Josh Barber (USMC); Ryan Crist (USARMY - Kansas); Shane Cunningham (Marines - Deployed); Allan Hadland (USARMY - South Carolina); Marcos Lambaria (US Marines); Andrew Marks (USAF in Kansas); Conner Robertson (Naval Academy) Ben Shelton (Coast Guard - Alaska); Jacob Wittbrodt (US Marines - Camp Pendleton). *[additional military names share with Pastor Terry]*

*If you have a prayer concern, please let us know!*



*Other prayer requests are available on our iPray Guide which is emailed out each week to those who have signed up for it. You can request a copy by emailing [mak@flushingcommunity.org](mailto:mak@flushingcommunity.org)*

## :: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

**MAY:**

12 ..... Happy Mother's Day!!

15 ..... Boost at Church (6:30 PM)

19 ..... New Friends Gathering at Salem's (1:00 PM)

19 ..... Family Bike Ride (2:30 PM)

19 ..... Fusion (6:30 PM)

22 ..... Mobile Food Pantry (8:30 AM)

26 ..... Fusion (6:30 PM)

31 ..... 6th Grade Celebration at Church (6:00 PM)

*So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected! See our complete calendar at [flushingcommunity.org](http://flushingcommunity.org) and follow us on Facebook and Twitter!*