

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

Dessert Auction ... Plan on joining us for a light lunch right after church today and then bidding on some great desserts. All proceeds will benefit our children and youth summer camp scholarship fund! Lunch is free but investing in our kids could cost ya! See you there!!

Pastor Joel's Ordination!... Pastor Joel is being ordained tomorrow Monday, April 23, 7 PM at Central Nazarene Church (1261 Bristol Rd). Everyone is welcome to attend this special service!

Our Condolence are extended to the family of Kathleen Irish. Kathleen was a sweet woman who passed away Thursday evening. Visitation will take place Tuesday from noon to 8 PM with a Celebration Service being held Wednesday at 1 PM at Brown Funeral Home on Hill Road (east of I-475). If you would like to help provide food for dinner on Wednesday, please see Sharon Ledger.

Run Like a Wildebeest Water Station ... The race is this Saturday morning and if you can't run in it, would you consider volunteering for it? We need helpers at a water station. Sign up at the Welcome Center or visit runlikeawildebeest.com for more information.

Praise in Motion ... If you are between the ages of 8-14 and want to join a dance troupe, this is just for you. Performances will include our worship service at Church in the Park June 24! Contact Sandy Massey at 333-0008 or 986-7234 for more information.

Men's Softball Team ... Guys, join us for Monday night softball! Sign up at the Welcome Center and come to practice this Thursday, 6 PM at Carman-Ainsworth HS. See Tim St. Cin or Eric Smith for details.

Support FCOC at Meijer ... The Flushing Christian Outreach Center is partnering with the Pierson Rd. Meijer in their "Simply Give" program. From now thru May 19 you may "purchase" a Simply Give card when you check out & Meijer makes a contribution to the FCOC.

National Day of Prayer ... is coming Thursday, May 3. Join Pastor Terry and the staff at the Riverview Bandshell at noon for a time of prayer with other believers throughout Flushing.

Stay Informed ... If you are not receiving our email newsletter, please make a note in the Friendship folder or contact Mary Ann Korte at mak@flushingcommunity.org.

Wednesday Night BOOST

Our Spring Session Has Started

Join us from 6:30 - 8 PM!
It's not too late to come check us out!!

- Ladies:** "Mercy Triumphs" by Beth Moore. Meeting in Room B.
- Men:** Life Application study of James. Meeting at the Salem's (3301 Fieldstone). All guys are welcomed!
- Adults:** The Book of Acts: Meeting in Room A.
- Teens:** Meeting at Pastor Joel's house (2438 McKinley - south of Potter)
- Children N-Toddler:** Classrooms are open with loving teachers!
- Children K-4:** Looking at the Lord's Prayer. Meeting in the gym.
- Club 56:** Looking at the life of Daniel. Meeting in the loft.



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 to the community of Flushing.

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. 12 - Feb. 13

	4/15 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	252			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$7,247	\$7,593	\$39,637	\$45,558

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

:: Our Leadership Team ::

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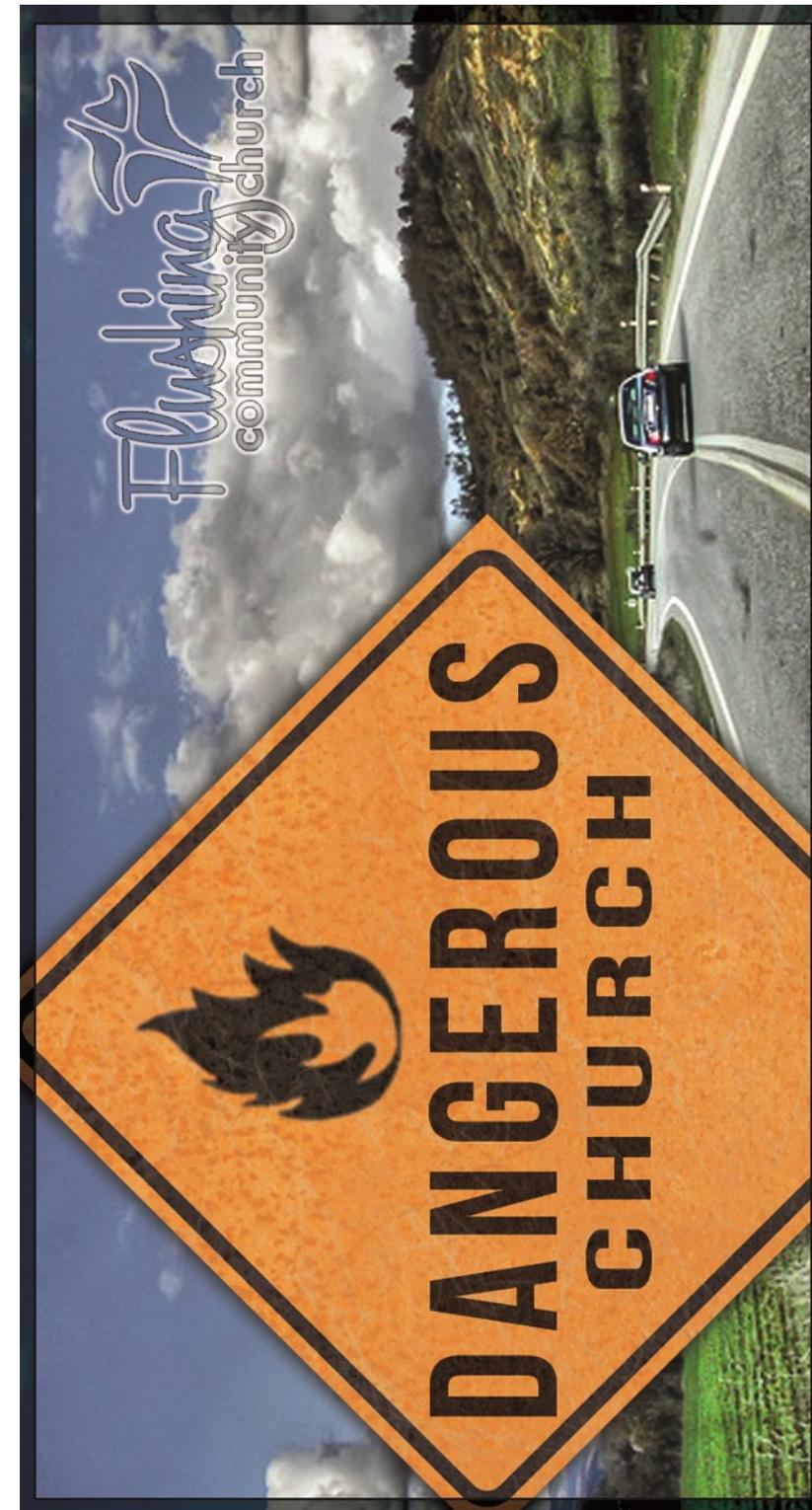
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Our Church Board Members:

Mark Burba (2014) | Bob Coe (2013) | Joe Ledger (2014)
Melissa Maynor (2015) | Sam Salem (2013) | Dan Tabor (2015)

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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.

Today we are continuing series looking at the early church. The phrase “early church” is used to describe the church that began shortly after Jesus’ resurrection and with the arrival of the Holy Spirit. In this series, we are going to look at the boldness that these men and women lived their life with. Some might even say they lived “dangerously” for the cause of the Gospel. What can we learn from their bravery?

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.

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 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 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). Thank you for your faithful giving and support.



This Month’s Virtue is ...

HOPE

Virtue of the Month ... Hope—believing that something good can come out of something bad. Memory verse: “In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” John 16:33b

Today’s Lesson ... Return to Sender (Ascension) – Matthew 28:16-20
Bottom Line – Whatever happens, remember Jesus is always with you.

Club 56 April Theme—New Life in Christ: Look who is talking . . . A lot!
(Peter & John before the Sanhedrin) Acts 3:1-10
Bottom Line—Whatever happens, tell others what God has done.

fusion Student Ministries

Fusion ... Ready for something really different than your normal Sunday night routine? Join us tonight at 6:30

Camps are Coming ... Summer camp registration for Waters Edge has begun! Senior High (completed 9th thru 12th grade) will be June 24-29. Junior High (completed 7th & 8th grade) will be July 29 - Aug 3. Get a registration packet from the Welcome Center.

Our Shirts are In ... If you ordered a new Fusion t-shirt, you can pay for and pick up your order at the Welcome Center beginning today. A few extras were ordered if you would like one. They are only \$12!

The Flint Project ... Join Flint Central and other youth groups for an awesome 4-day local mission project June 15-19. Cost is \$75 and registration is **due next Sunday**. High School students only. (2012/13)

Oak Street Renovation

Project Update ... We had a great week this week! Framing is 90% complete, underground plumbing in complete (thanks Larry Harnden), and we’ve begun the vinyl siding (thanks Nathan Shue).

Get Involved ... If you’d like to volunteer, see Pastor Joel today! Soon we will need some electrical, drywall and painting help!! If you’ve ever hung a drop ceiling, please let us know!

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!

:: 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!

Shawn Andrews: bulging disc in her neck

Dar Christiansen: recovering

Brenna Close: mononucleosis

Bob Coe: recovering from knee surgery

The Cole Family: in the adoption process

Darlene Holmes: aneurism in the brain

Family of Kathleen Irish: who passed away 4/19

John Jordan: battling cancer

Carley Lord: torn ACL, recovering from surgery

Nancy Lueker: upcoming surgery

Shanna Massey: dislocated knee

Brian Mazza: recovering

Deb Nelson: broken hip from car accident

David Piechowski: multiple health concerns including ALS

Karen Rosell: kidney/pancreas transplant (friend of Michelle Cole)

General Prayers to remember ...

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

Our Schools, Teachers & Students: God’s protection

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

Our Soldiers ... Josh Barber (USMC); Ryan Crist (USARMY - Kansas);

Allan Hadland (USARMY - Germany); Marcos Lambaria (US Marines);

Andrew Marks (USAF in Kansas); Tim Sunday (USAF in Washington);

Ben Shelton (Coast Guard).

[share any additional military names 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 on Thursdays to those who have signed up for it. You can request a copy by emailing mak@flushingcommunity.org

:: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

APRIL:

22.....Dessert Auction

22.....Fusion

24.....Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (Cole’s home)

24.....Ladies Tuesday Evening Small Group (Korte’s home)

25.....Wednesday Night Boost

28.....The Greg Flint Wildebeest Race

29.....Fusion

MAY:

01.....Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (Salem’s home)

01.....Ladies Tuesday Evening Small Group (Korte’s home)

03.....National Day of Prayer

*So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected!
See our complete calendar at flushingcommunity.org*