

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

Important Kid City Parent Meeting ... We invite all parents of Kid City children to join us for an opportunity **TODAY** to learn more about our Children's Ministry. Our gathering will include lunch and child care so we look forward to seeing everyone there!

Online Giving ... You can now visit our website and make a contribution online. This simple tool has been designed to enhance your worship through giving. Check it out!!

Men's Softball Team ... Our first game is this Monday at 7PM. All games are at Trinity Assembly of God (Mt. Morris/I-75).

Guys Night at the Loons ... Steve Kinney is inviting the first 18 guys to sign up for a free Loons game on Thursday, May 17. Minor league baseball is always a blast so sign up at the Welcome Center today!

Bike Outing ... Let's go for a bike ride! Plan on meeting at the beginning of the Flushing Trail on Sunday, May 20 at 3:00 PM. Get into the spirit of the day by decorating your bike and tooting your horn! For those who don't want to ride, look for us in the Flushing Park (McKinley and Carpenter) where we will stop, play and have some ice cream!

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 Night Out ... The ladies of our church will be gathering at Saganos (LinCor Plaza – corner of Linden & Corunna Roads) on Monday, May 21, at 6:00 PM. Sign up at the Welcome Table.

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.

FCOC Donations ... Students on free/reduced lunches often go without in the summer months. You can help the FCOC provide for them by bringing boxes of cereal, peanut butter and jelly. The Center is also short on paper grocery sacks. All donations can be placed in the receptacles in the air lock.

FCCN Newsletters ... are emailed instead of printed to save on printing costs. If you did not receive a newsletter in your "in box" this past week, please update put your email address in the Friendship Folder or give your address directly to Mary Ann Korte.

Meals Ministry: If you would like to get on a list of folks to provide meals for families in the church, please contact Michelle Cole (965-1251).

New Worship Time ... Beginning Sunday, May 27 our worship service will begin at 10AM each Sunday throughout the summer months. The service will end by 11:15 AM which we hope will help you with various other afternoon commitments that can often take place.

Want to take your prayer life to another level? The iPray Guide is emailed out each week and offers a comprehensive list to pray over! Email mak@flushingcommunity.org to receive yours!



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: <small>Mar. 12 - Feb. 13</small>	4/29 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	230			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$9,122	\$7,593	\$59,471	\$60,744

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

:: Our Leadership Team ::

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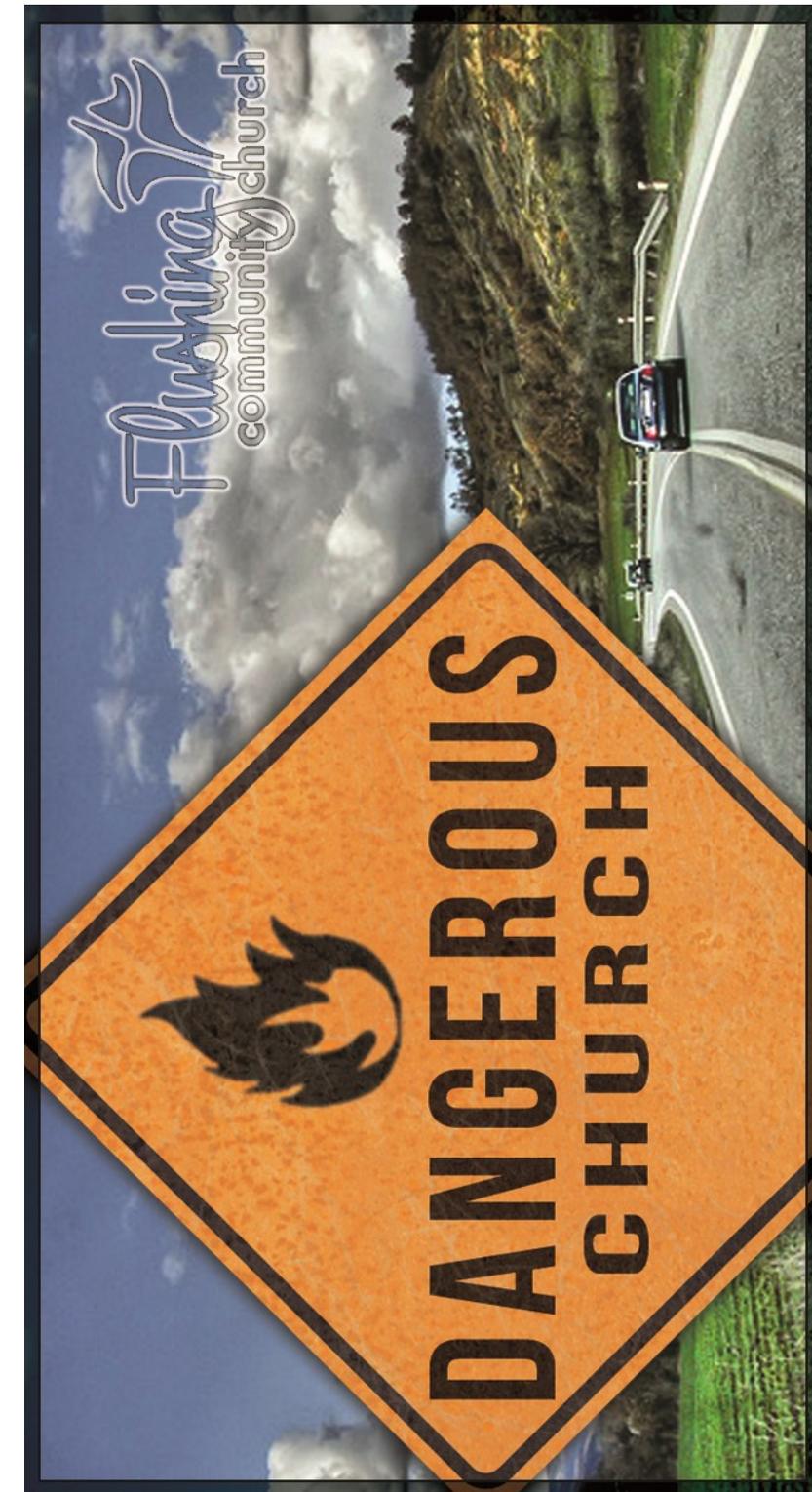
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Our Church Board Members:

Mark Burba (2014) | Bob Coe (2013) | Joe Ledger (2014)
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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 concluding our 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 have considered the boldness that this church lived with and how they lived "dangerously" for the cause of the Gospel. What can we learn from their bravery? Can we be dangerous?

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 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.



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 ... Deal or No Deal . . . The parable of the talents. Bottom Line—I can be trusted when I make the most of what God has given me. *Matthew 25:14-30*

Club 56 April Theme—New Life in Christ: We make friends by caring about others. *Romans 13:8-10*

fusion Student Ministries

Tonight ... What is personal devotion time all about? Join us tonight at 6:30 PM as we explore why spending time with God is important to us as followers of Jesus.

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.

Fusion Shirts are In ... If you ordered a new Fusion t-shirt, you can pay for and pick up your order at the Welcome Center today.

The Flint Project ... Join Flint Central and other youth groups for an awesome 4-day local mission project July 15-19. Form are due immediately! High School students only. (2012/13)

BOOST ... It's never too late to join us for a great time at Pastor Joel's house. Join us Wednesdays 6:30-8 for the next 3 weeks!

Oak Street Renovation

Project Update ... If you have experience in electrical or drywall, please let us know. We are also seeking an experienced person with installing a drop ceiling. Work days will be scheduled soon for landscaping, too!

Get Involved ... If you'd like to volunteer, see Pastor Joel today!

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

Rob Brown: hospitalized

Dar Christiansen: recovering

Brenna Close: mononucleosis

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: recovering from surgery

Nancy Lueker: recovering from surgery

Deb Nelson: broken hip from car accident

Donna O'Brien: recovering from surgery

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 ::

MAY:

06.....Kid City Parent Meeting

07.....Mercy Team Meeting

08.....Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (Salem's home)

08.....Ladies Tuesday Evening Small Group (Sayer's home)

08.....Board Meeting

09.....Wednesday Night Boost

15.....Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (Salem's home)

15.....Ladies Tuesday Evening Small Group (Korte's home)

16.....Wednesday Night Boost

20.....Community Life Bike Ride

20.....Children's Ministry Leadership Team Meeting

23.....Mobile Food Pantry

So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected!

See our complete calendar at flushingcommunity.org