

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

**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!

**New Testament Expedition ...** Learn more at the Welcome Center about this great Bible reading plan for 2013!

**Lenten Season Begins ...** This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which signals the beginning of Lent on the Christian calendar. Lent is a 40 day preparation for Easter that can involve fasting and extra acts of compassion. *How will you prepare for Easter this year?*

**Membership Class ...** The second session of our Membership Class is **TODAY** at 4:30. If you missed the first session and are still interested in attending, please stop by the Welcome Center right after worship.

**Church Elections ...** Will take place February 17 & 24. See our ballot on the insert today and join us in praying for God's Will to be done!

**Team Day ...** Are you interested in being inspired to increase your personal ministry? Team Day is an annual training event coming to Perry, MI on March 9. Details are at the Welcome Center.

**Holiness Summit ...** Nazarenes from all over Michigan will be coming to Flint Central Church March 10-11 for a series of worship services focused on spiritual growth. Get details at the Welcome Center!

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

*Ministry leader and contact: Bob Coe*

**FCOC Benefit Concert ...** Support the Flushing Christian Outreach Center Saturday, February 16, 7:00PM at St. Robert's Church. This concert will feature several artists include Brother 2 Brother.

**New and Gently Used Coats ...** Mercy Team is still collecting winter coats. Bring them to church through February!

**Loose Change Needed! ...** Stop by the Welcome Table today and drop your loose change in the big "baby bottle" and help us provide diapers for the East Side Mission. Little bottles can go home with you, too!

**... Oak Street Building Update ...**

In November, our Church Board appropriated the funds required to hire the majority of the work to be done at our Oak Street building. This week the painting was finished and the drop ceiling installation began! Be on the lookout for a Grand Opening coming soon!!



**UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading!**

**Volunteers Needed!** Don't miss out on the fun and excitement of Game Days. Game Day 5 is in two weeks, Feb. 23. Enjoy this week off!!



**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*

	2/3 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	284			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$6,810	\$7,593	\$337,139	\$359,271

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

**:: Our Leadership Team ::**

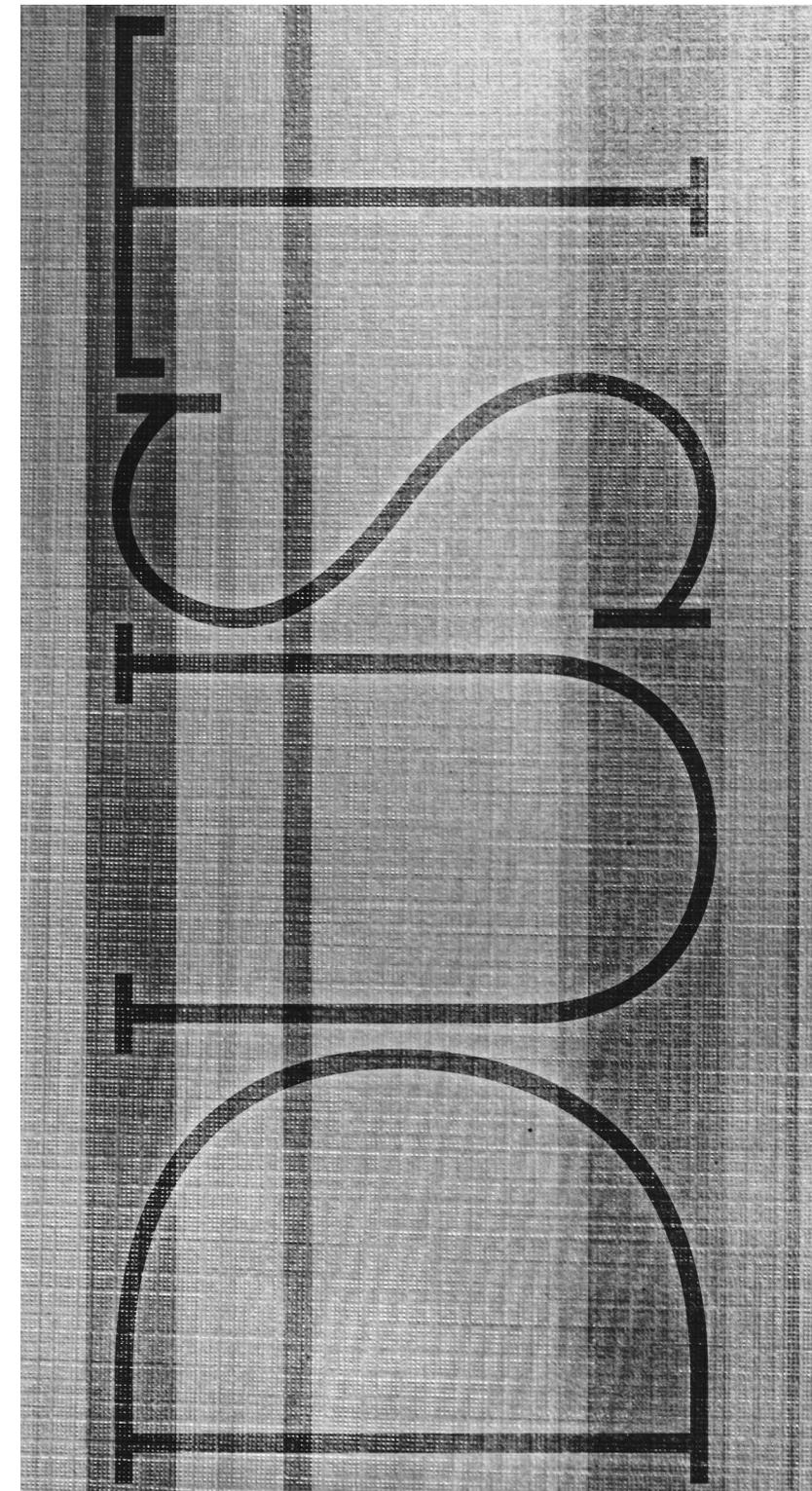
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**Our Church Board Members:**

Mark Burba (2014) | Bob Coe (2013) | Joe Ledger (2014)  
Melissa Maynor (2015) | 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.

This morning Pastor Terry will be looking at the concept of discipleship. In the ancient world, the idea of discipleship had very specific meaning and expectation that we don't often realize in our "information age." What does it mean to be a follower of Christ and how does Jesus Himself view our potential as His followers? Understanding the correct view of discipleship just might be the key to a new level of spiritual growth in your life!

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:

*Peace: "Proving you care more about each other than winning an argument"*

**Today's Lesson** ... He ain't hairy, he's my brother (Jacob and Esau meet again). *Genesis 27:41-45, 31:3, 32:1-21 and 33:1-11*

Bottom Line: Prove you care about others by letting go of "what's fair."

Basic Truth: I need to make the wise choice.

## Children's Bible Quizzing:

**Quizzing Celebration** ... Plan to join our celebration Monday, Feb. 18 from 11AM to 2PM at Castaway Play in Howell. We will enjoy laser tag, bounce house, and pizza! If you have any questions, contact Pastor Darcy or Coach Kari. Quizzing practice this Wednesday, Lesson 14.

## Club 56:

*A ministry for 5th & 6th graders*

**Today's Lesson:** David: Seeking after God's own heart.

**Sock War!** Pizza party for the sock collection contest will take place right after church on February 24. We will be going to Eastside Mission to hand out the socks to the kids on March 17. Save the date!

**Club 56 Sledding Party** ... Club 56 go sledding this Saturday, February 16 (snow providing), then warm up with hot cocoa at Tim Horton's. Meet at the church at 1PM. We'll return around 3:30PM. Also—mark your calendars for a Club 56 gathering on February 24, 5:00-6:30PM.

## fusion Student Ministries:

**He Has Arrived!** Welcome Noah Jackson Heald, born January 30 at 2:47PM! Mom, Baby & Dad are doing great!

**Tonight** ... Come and hang out with us tonight from 6:30-8:00PM here at the church as we begin a new video series from Francis Chan talking about courage.

**DIVE (Wed. Night)** ... Join us at the Barclay's from 6:30-8PM as we dive into scripture and examine the times when obedience to God sounds crazy.

**Spring Hill Payments Due** ... Today! Make sure to bring your final payment for Spring Hill to Pastor Joel no later than tonight. If you don't know how much you owe, he can tell you. *Make checks to Flushing Community Church.*

**Spring Hill Adults Needed** ... (Event Date: Mar 8-10) We need at least two more adult sponsors to go with us (not to mention drivers). If you are interested in investing in the life of a few teens on an amazing God-filled weekend. Please let Pastor Joel know ASAP. Cost is \$40 to help cover fees from Spring Hill.

*Text "follow flushingfusion" to 40404 for periodic text updates.*



## :: 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!

**Ruth Barclay:** recovering from surgery at MediLodge  
**Christiansen Family:** in the loss of Dar and Todd  
**Brenna Close:** recovering from surgery  
**The Cole Family:** in the adoption process (*they are now #1 on the list!*)  
**Mark Gibbs:** battling cancer (husband of Dorie)  
**Heald Family:** welcome baby Noah!  
**John Jordan:** battling cancer  
**Joe Ledger:** various medical concerns & testing  
**Andrea Pagel:** recovering at home  
**David Piechowski:** multiple health concerns including ALS  
**Tabor Family:** in the passing of Dan's father, Gene

### **General Prayers to remember ...**

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

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

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

**Our Expectant Mothers:** Amy Lintz, Sarah MacDougall

**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 on Thursdays 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 ::

### **FEBRUARY:**

- 10 ..... Membership Class #2 at Church (4:30 PM)
- 13 ..... DIVE—Fusion MidWeek Bible Study at Barclay's (6:30 PM)
- 13 ..... Children's Bible Quizzing at Church (6:45 PM)
- 16 ..... Club 56 Sledding Outing at 1:00 PM (Pray for Snow!)
- 17 ..... First Sunday for Church Board Elections
- 18 ..... Children's Bible Quizzing Fun Day at Castaway Play (11:00 AM)
- 20 ..... DIVE—Fusion MidWeek Bible Study at Barclay's (6:30 PM)
- 20 ..... Children's Bible Quizzing at Church (6:45 PM)
- 23 ..... Upward Game Day #5
- 24 ..... Final Sunday for Church Board Elections
- 24 ..... Club 56 Gathering at church (5:00 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!*