

:: Activities & Information ::

Welcome Pastor Debbie Simmons ... We are so excited to welcome Debbie Simmons to our staff as our new Children's Ministry Director. She brings a true heart for ministry and a passion for helping your children learn about the love God has for them. Be sure to welcome Debbie and her family to our team!!

Congratulations to the Lintz Family ... who welcomed baby Reese Violet in their home this Wednesday! Reese weighed in at 7lbs. 2oz. and 19¼ inches long! Congratulations to Mike, Amy and sister Kinzey!

Softball Team ... Our first game is this Tuesday evening at 7:30 PM! Games are played at Trinity Assembly of God (Mt. Morris/I-75).

New Attendee Luncheon ... is coming Sunday, May 23 following our morning worship service. To reserve your spot, would you please tear off the bottom of the insert today and place that in our offering boxes that are by the gym entry doors. Thank you!

Mobile Food Pantry ... Our first mobile food pantry of the warm months will be Wednesday, May 26 at Meadowbrook Manor (on Mt. Morris Rd). You can help provide food to hundreds as we distribute 12,000 lbs. of staple food items. Setup begins at 9:00 AM. See Bob Coe for more!

Bottles of Water ... are being collected for distribution during our Flushing Summer Fest Parade. Our goal is to distribute 3,000 bottles of cold water to the crowd that day. All contributions can be delivered to the church over the next 3 Sundays. Thanks for you help!!

Online Contributions ... Did you know that you can send contributions to FCCN using your online banking services? Many banks offer online bill pay and only require an address for the organization you wish to support. Visit your bank's website and see how this can work for you or see Rich Christopher (FCCN Treasurer) with any questions.

First Sunday Prayer ... We would love to have you join us on the first Sunday of each month at 10:00 AM for a few moments of prayer. Contact Melissa Maynor with questions.

Sunday Morning Running Group ... Get your Sunday started off with a worshipful walk or run! Join a small group at 7:00 AM at the trail (next to the ATM and bridge). We'll be back in plenty of time to get home, clean up and continue our worship at church. See Trudy Tabor with questions or just join the group next Sunday!

Women of Faith ... Interested in getting away for a weekend? WOF's "Over the Top" conference is coming to Indianapolis August 20-21 and we'd like you to come! Dynamic worship. Premier Speakers. Memories and friendship! See Tammy Bate to learn more!

Summer Camps ... Registration has begun for our Nazarene Summer Camps at Water's Edge. Get a flyer at our Welcome Table today and consider sending your child (grades are for 2009-10). See Kendra Minton [659-0745] with questions. Scholarships may be available.

Senior High (9th-12th): June 27-July 2 ... cost is \$195

Primary (1st-2nd): July 7-9 ... cost is \$125

Pre-Teen (5th-6th): July 11-16 ... cost is \$195

Junior High (7th-8th): July 25-30 ... cost is \$195

Middler (3rd-4th): August 1-6 ... cost is \$195



The Flushing Community 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 and began to describe a vision that God had given them about this new and exciting 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. As we experienced consistent growth, it was necessary to relocate to the Flushing Performing Arts Center in 2000 and the Flushing Junior High School in 2001.

With great excitement, 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 over our first 11 years of existence. 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!



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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.

Pastor Steve will be leading us in worship and challenging us with a glimpse in life of a church leader named Jairus. His moment with Jesus is brief but it took him to the extremes of desperation, elation, confusion and celebration! Can you “just believe” in what God is doing in your life? Can you trust His timing? The story is recorded in Luke’s 8th chapter.

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 church 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. Thank you for your faithful giving and support of our church.

Grace Place Kids Ministry

Nursery | Toddlers | Pre-School | Kindergarten-2nd Grade | 3rd-4th Grade

Grace Place ... Our nursery thru pre-school classes begin the morning in their classrooms while K-6th grade will be dismissed during the service! Grace Place is a safe place where our children hear about the love and grace our God offers.

Registration Process ... We need every family to fill out new and updated Grace Place registration cards. Thanks for your patience and understanding as we take some important steps to keep our children safe.

The Bridge Youth Ministry

NO Bridge Ministry Tonight ... You are all encouraged to spend your Mothers Day evening WITH YOUR MOTHERS! Do something special for them. Fix them dinner. Fold the laundry (most of it’s yours anyway). Let them choose a fun movie to watch ... you’ll figure something out!

Graduation Sunday ... is coming Sunday, June 6. We want to celebrate your High School Graduation! See Paula Salem to find out what we need to make this day a special experience for everyone!

Summer Camp Forms ... are available at the Welcome Table or by seeing Pastor Steve. Senior High (June 27-July 2) and Junior High (July 25-30) will be dynamic this year! Don’t miss out!!

Club 56

A ministry for 5th & 6th graders

Class Today ... When Grace Place is dismissed, those in 5th & 6th grades will meet in the loft for a discussion about their journey toward God.

Club 56 ... Hey kids, be sure to join in on the fun and friendship that is experienced at Club 56! Our next Club 56 will be on June 6 from 5:00 - 6:30 PM for a great time of games and a discussion about our faith. Invite a friend and come ready to have a great time! See Rod & Lori Wurtz or Josh & Angie Upleger for details.

iShine Concert ... This annual concert is a great night of worship and high energy music! It’s coming to Central Church of the Nazarene on Saturday, May 15. Cost is \$5 and we’ll leave the church at 5:00 PM.

Mercy Team

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

What is Mercy Team? This team seeks 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 the first Monday of each month!

Mobile Food Pantry ... Join us for our next 12,000 lb. mobile food pantry drop on Wednesday, May 26 at Meadowbrook Manor in Flushing (7280 Mt. Morris Road). Join us from 9 - 11 AM. See Bob Coe with questions

:: 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!

Darlene Farmer: severe migraines

Lintz Family: welcoming baby Reese Violet! Praise the Lord!

Brian Mazza: general health concerns

Karen Quintal: battling Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD)

Karen Rossell: friend of Michelle Cole suffering from various conditions

Pat Stewart: upcoming surgery (May 14)

Our Marriages: every marriage needs prayer!

College Students: finishing strong and being safe!

Those facing or experiencing job loss: guidance, protection and more!

Summer Fest Parade: reaching out to our community

Church in the Park: worship service at Riverview Pavilion, June 13

The Flushing Community: help us respond to the economic crisis locally, help us share the love of God to neighbors and friends, keep those in our community safe

Our Soldiers ... Casey Coolich (*share additional names with Pastor Terry to be added*)

If you have a prayer concern, please share those with our office staff so that you can be supported through prayer! Email us at terry@flushingcommunity.org or call the office at 732.0282. Thank you!

:: Coming this Week ::

SUNDAY | MAY 9 *Happy Mothers Day!*

10:30 AM Morning Worship Service
NO Bridge Youth Ministries tonight

MONDAY | MAY 10

Office is Closed

TUESDAY | MAY 11

6:00 AM Men’s Prayer Group (*at Pastor Terry’s house*)
9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (*contact Priscilla Harris*)
7:30 PM Men’s Softball (*Trinity Assembly of God*)

WEDNESDAY | MAY 12

7:00 PM Men’s Bible Study (*contact Sam Salem*)

:: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

MAY:

15 Club 56 attending iShine Concert at Flint Central
23 New Attendee Luncheon

JUNE:

6 Graduation Sunday (High School & College Graduation Celebration)
6 Club 56 regular gathering
13 Church in the Park (at Riverview Park downtown Flushing)