

**:: 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!

**Membership Class ...** If you are interested in learning more about the church, a 2-part membership class will be offered January 27 & February 10 from 4:30-6PM. There is no pressure to become a member after taking this class. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

**Stay Informed ...** We communicate frequently through email, Facebook and Twitter. Share your email with us and stay connected!

**Financial Peace University ...** This fantastic class is being offered beginning January 30. Hosted by the Lintz's and Chervenys, join Dave Ramsey and unlock the secrets to financial freedom! Only 2 spots remain ... sign up at the Welcome Center this morning.

**Healthy Living Small Group:** If you desire a healthy lifestyle the way God intended, this group is for you. The group will look to scripture and each other to help through the trials and tribulations of eating and exercise. To learn more, sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Dori DeVuyst at dorcas.devuyst@gmail.com.

**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 ...**

**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!

**... Ways to get involved at FCC ...**

**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.

**Looking for a place to serve?** Contact Pastor Terry to learn about the perfect place to for you to get involved!



**UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading!**

**Volunteers Needed!** Don't miss out on the fun and excitement of Game Days. Game Day 2 is this coming Saturday, Jan. 26. There are many ways to serve! See Mary Ann Korte TODAY or stop by the Welcome Center to sign up.

**Upward Prayer Requests ...** Pray this week for our families. May each family feel the love and grace of God throughout the season.



**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

	1/13 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	257			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$9,075	\$7,593	\$318,876	\$336,092

*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
- Debbie Simmons** (Children's Ministries) .....simmonsdeb@comcast.net
- Darcy Smith** (Children's Assistant).....darcy@flushingcommunity.org
- Mike DeVuyst** (Spiritual Formation).....mike@flushingcommunity.org
- Mary Ann Korte** (Administrator).....mak@flushingcommunity.org

**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 Steve will be sharing a fascinating story from the Old Testament that reminds us that things are not always as they seem. Do you ever wish you could see the spiritual forces that are around us? How would that change your perspective on life's difficulties? God is faithful and has not left us alone in this world!

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:

*Determination: "Deciding it's worth it to finish what you start."*

**Today's Lesson ...** Stand by Naomi (Ruth & Naomi). *Book of Ruth*

Bottom Line: Be the one who sticks by someone in need.

Basic Truth: I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

**Verse of the Month ...** "Let us keep on running the race marked out for us."  
*Hebrews 12:1b*

## Children's Bible Quizzing:

**Quizzing Practice ...** We will be reviewing lessons 7-12 this Wednesday from 6:45-7:45PM. Please not the time change. Our next quiz is this Saturday, January 26, at Central Church on Bristol Road in Flint. RSVP to Coach Darcy or Coach Keri if you are attending and eating lunch. We will leave the church at 9:00AM and will return around 1:30 PM.

## Club 56:

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

**This Month's Theme ...** Old Testament Heroes of the faith. *Today's Lesson:* Joseph: the Beginning of Deliverance.

**Everybody Loves a Party! ...** All 5th & 6th graders are welcome to come **TONIGHT** (5:00-6:15PM) for a "sock war"!!!! Please bring gently used or new socks to give to the Eastside Mission. Parents are always welcome to come and help!

**Looking Ahead ...** Club 56 will be sledding on Saturday, February 15 (snow providing), then go to warm up with hot cocoa at Tim Horton's. We will meet up at the church at 1PM and return around 3:30PM.

## Fusion Student Ministries:

**Tonight ...** Come hang out with us tonight from 6:30-8:00 PM.

**Wednesday Night DIVE ...** Join us at the Smith's from 6:30-8PM as we dive into scripture and explore the calling of Moses.

**Momentum ... Event Date: March 1-2.** Don't pass up this extraordinary weekend, with over 42 ways to share the talents God has given you. Registration details will be available tonight at Fusion, and the cost is \$35.

**Thank You! ...** Emily and I are so blessed at the generosity, love and support you showed to us last Saturday at our Baby Shower. We are so excited to share our lives with you, and deeply appreciate you.

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

## Mercy Team

*Ministry leader and contact: Bob Coe*

**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!

**Christiansen Family:** in the loss of Todd

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**The Cole Family:** in the adoption process (*they are now #2 on the list!*)

**John Jordan:** battling cancer

**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:** Emily Heald, 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 ::

### **JANUARY:**

- 20..... Club 56 Gathering at Church (5:00 PM)
- 20..... Fusion at Church (6:30 PM)
- 20..... Men's Open Gym Basketball (8:15 PM)
- 23..... Bible Quizzing at Church (6:30 PM)
- 23..... DIVE—Fusion MidWeek Bible Study at Smith's (6:30 PM)
- 26..... Upward Game Day 2
- 26..... Bible Quiz Meet at Central Church of the Nazarene
- 27..... Membership Class at Church (4:30 PM)
- 27..... Children's Ministry Meeting at Church (5:00 PM)
- 27..... Fusion at Church (6:30 PM)
- 30..... DIVE—Fusion MidWeek Bible Study at Smith's (6:30 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!*