

**:: 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!

**Cole Adoption Love Offering** ... Don't forget that we are collecting funds to bless Bob & Michelle Cole on their upcoming adoption! Mark your envelope "Cole Adoption" and place in our offering boxes.

**Thanksgiving Meals** ... Come back at 6:00 PM tonight to be a part of the packing. You will be blessed by the experience!

**Chair Set-Up Helpers Needed** ... Look around. See all the chairs surrounding you? We have great folks that volunteer to get our gym ready for worship but we need a few more helpers. It only takes 30 minutes one Sunday per month. Contact Karen Dearlove to volunteer or stop by the Welcome Center.

**Praise In Motion** ... is a Christian dance group that will perform at our church in December. Please pray for their Toys for Tots outreach ministry. If you are interested in helping out, contact Sandy Massey ASAP at 333-0008.

**Small Group Update**

*Pastor Mike DeVuyst is organizing our new small group ministry. If you would like more information about small groups, contact any of these group leaders or Pastor Mike.*

**New Groups:** If you are looking for a **mixed small group**, see Eric Smith to find out the details of their new group that is just now forming. Their first gathering will be Saturday, Dec. 1.

If you are looking for a **women's group for moms** of school age children, this is the group for you. Kim Ostrander is interested in starting a group for moms that would meet during the school day. If you would like to be a part of shaping this group contact Kim at (810) 733-8452.

**Current Groups:**  
**Women's Groups:**  
 Tuesdays, 9:30 AM - Contact Priscilla Harris  
 Tuesdays, 7:00 PM - Contact Mary Ann Korte  
 Fridays (monthly), 7:00 PM - Contact Erica Hammond  
**Mixed Groups:**  
 Saturdays (bi-weekly), 6:00 PM - Contact Eric Smith  
 Evenings (weekly), Contact Barb Konuszewski



**UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading!**

**Upward Evaluation Nights** ... Reserve November 26, 27 & 28th on your calendar. It takes a great number of people working together to make these nights run smoothly. We need hospitality greeters, people to size children for uniforms, clerical helpers, folks to help evaluate basketball skills. In other words—we need YOU!!! Sign up at the Welcome Center today!!

**Prayer for Upward** ... See Melissa Maynor today and get involved with our prayer effort that begins today.



**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

	11/11 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	278			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$11,789	\$7,593	\$254,407	\$265,755

*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)

**Flushing Community Church of the Nazarene**

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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 we are continuing our teaching series looking at the impact that adoption and orphan care should have on the life of a God follower. Last week we saw the heart of God reaches out toward the fatherless and the weak of our world. Today, we are going to look at the impact on the life of the orphan. How can we make a real difference in the life of child? Listen to Jeff & Jodi's inspirational story to find out!

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:** **Cooperation: "Working together to do more than you can do alone."**

**Today's Lesson ...** "Another Brick in the Wall" - Nehemiah and the wall.  
*Nehemiah 1:1-6*

**Mark Your Calendar Now!** ... Kid City will be hosting a Christmas Party on Saturday, December 1, 11:00AM-1:00PM. This fantastic event (music, crafts, games and lunch!) is for children K-6th grade.

## **Bible Quizzing:**

**Quizzing Practice ...** Due to the Thanksgiving holiday we will not meet on Wednesday, November 21. Plan on coming to our next practice on Thursday, November 29. See Darcy Smith for a complete schedule.

## **Club 56:**

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

**This Month's Theme ...** Fruits of the Spirit. Today's Lesson - Joy.

**Thanksgiving Dinner Packing ...** We will join forces with our church family to pack Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes on Sunday, November 18, 6 PM. We will join the teens at 7:00 PM and play dodge ball. Snacks provided but we ask Club 56er's to bring a 2-liters pop.

## **fusion Student Ministries:**

**Tonight ...** Join us at 5:30 PM to help set-up and pack the Thanksgiving Dinner boxes. Afterwards, stay until 8 PM to smash some faces with a dodgeball!

**Wreath Sales...** Order forms and money are due to Pastor Joel today! Wreaths will be available for you to pick up and deliver beginning Monday, November 26.

**Wednesday Night...** Here's a riddle for you: what does the Bible say is more destructive than fire, more powerful than then mighty ship, and faster than a racing horse? Join us at Pastor Joel's house, Wednesday night beginning Nov. 28th, to find out in our 4-week bible study!

*text "follow flushingfusion" to 40404 for instant updates*

## **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!

**Baragwanath Family:** in the loss of their son, Ryan  
**Christiansen Family:** in the loss of Todd  
**Dar Christiansen:** various health concerns  
**The Cole Family:** in the adoption process  
**Darlene Holmes:** aneurism in the brain  
**John Jordan:** battling cancer  
**David Piechowski:** multiple health concerns including ALS  
**Nancarrow Family:** on the loss of Pat's father

### **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  
**Those Looking for Work:** may God open the right doors!  
**Our Soldiers ...** Josh Barber (USMC); Ryan Crist (USARMY - Kansas); Allan Hadland (USARMY - South Carolina); Marcos Lambaria (US Marines); Andrew Marks (USAF in Kansas); Conner Robertson (Naval Academy) Ben Shelton (Coast Guard - Alaska). *[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 ::**

### **NOVEMBER:**

- 18..... Packing Thanksgiving Boxes at Church (6:00 PM)
- 18..... Fusion & Club 56 Join Forces at Church (7:00 PM)
- 19..... Thanksgiving Dinner Distribution at Church
- 20..... Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (7:00 PM)
- 20..... Ladies Tuesday Night Small Group at Kortess ((7:00 PM)
- 22..... Happy Thanksgiving!!!
- 25..... Fusion at Church (6:30 PM)
- 26..... Upward Evaluation Night
- 27..... Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (7:00 PM)
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*So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected!  
See our complete calendar at [flushingcommunity.org](http://flushingcommunity.org)*