

:: 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 ... Today is the final day to contribute toward the love offering to bless the Cole family on their upcoming adoption! Mark your envelope "Cole Adoption" and place in our offering boxes.

Thanksgiving Meals ... The Mercy Team would like to thank everyone who brought in gravy, packed 320 boxes, or helped with distribution of all the Thanksgiving meals. What a blessing our community received with everyone working together!

Kid City Christmas Party ... Kid City will be hosting a Christmas Party this Saturday, December 1 from 11 AM to 1 PM. This fantastic event (music, crafts, games and lunch!) is for all children K-6th grade and will feature a special rehearsal of Christmas songs to be performed on Sunday, December 9 in our worship service.

Compassion at Christmas ... Beginning next Sunday, we will be able to take home a box to supply a family meal or sponsor a family with a gift. Details coming December 2.

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.

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.

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
Daytime Group for Moms - Contact Kim Ostrander

Mixed Groups:

Saturdays (bi-weekly), 6:00 PM - Contact Eric Smith
Evenings (weekly), Contact Barb Konuszewski



UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading!

Upward Evaluation Nights ... are here! If you could spare some time Monday thru Wednesday of this week, please see Mary Ann Korte at the Welcome Center this morning. There is something for everyone and every age (teen and up). Join the fun of encouraging over 250 players!

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

	11/18 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	243			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$3,950	\$7,593	\$258,357	\$273,348

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 we are concluding our teaching series which has looked at the impact that adoption and orphan care should have on the life of a God follower. We have spent a great deal of time looking the Biblical basis for taking care of the fatherless and today we are going to give everyone very practical steps to get involved. Nate and Becky Adams are our special guests today to share about their ministry "Hope for the Fatherless."

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.

Kid City Children's Ministries: Cooperation: "Working together to do more than you can do alone."

Family Worship Time Today ... Our children will be joining us in worship today. Feel free to pick up color sheets and crayons. Enjoy this opportunity to worship together as a family.

Christmas Party this Saturday ... Kid City will be hosting a Christmas Party this Saturday, December 1, 11AM to 1PM. This fantastic event (music, crafts, games and lunch!) is for children K-6th grade.

Bible Quizzing:

Quizzing Practice ... Plan on coming to our next practice on Thursday, November 29. Keep up the good work on your studies. You are doing an awesome job! See Darcy Smith for a complete schedule.

Club 56:

A ministry for 5th & 6th graders

This Month's Theme ... Fruits of the Spirit. We will resume our lessons next week (family worship today).

fusion Student Ministries:

Tonight ... Join us from 6-8:30 PM to catch up with friends after the Thanksgiving holiday. We'll consider the 2nd greatest story every told!

Wreath Delivery ... Wreaths will be available for pick-up at Pastor Joel's house after 2 PM tomorrow (11/26). Please call or text to arrange a time to pick up your order:

Wednesday Night ... Everyone is invited to Pastor Joel's home beginning this Wednesday (6:30-8PM) for our new 4-week Bible study.

Girls Night Out ... Come unwind with an evening of pizza, facials, manicures, and a chick-flick on Friday, December 14 from 6-11 PM at Pastor Joel and Emily's house (no, Joel will not be there). Bring \$3 for pizza and RSVP by Thursday, December 13.

Text "follow flushingfusion" to 40404 for periodic 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! Thank you to everyone who helped with the Thanksgiving Dinner Outreach. Over 300 families were blessed by your generosity.

:: 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); 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

:: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

NOVEMBER:

25 Fusion at Church (6:30 PM)

26 Upward Evaluation Night at Church (6:00 - 8:00 PM)

26 Ladies Night Out

27 Ladies Tuesday Morning Small Group (7:00 PM)

27 Ladies Tuesday Night Small Group at Kortes (7:00 PM)

27 Upward Evaluation Night at Church (6:00 - 8:00 PM)

28 Upward Evaluation Night (6:00 - 8:00 PM)

28 Fusion Mid-Week Study at Pastor Joel's (6:00 PM)

29 Bible Quizzing at Church (6:30 PM)

DECEMBER:

01 Kid City Christmas Party at Church (11:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

02 Christmas TAKHOMABOX Begins

03 Mercy Team at Church (7:00 PM)

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

See our complete calendar at flushingcommunity.org