

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

Wednesday Night BOOST

Now thru November 16 | 6:30 - 8:00 PM
*We have something for every age & interest!
 Stop by the Welcome Table for info on each class being offered.*

Courageous... We are gathering at Rave Flint-West Theater (corner of Dye and Corunna) TODAY at 4:00 PM. If you have reserved a ticket (\$6 each), you may pay this morning at the Welcome Center or at the Theater. Tickets will be given out at the theater so look for us there!

All Church Orchard Run ... The Community Life Team is organizing a trip to Montrose Orchard on Sunday, October 23 from 1-3 PM. Following church, join us at the orchard for lunch and a hayride—all for only \$6. You'll get a chance to pick a pumpkin and enjoy a donut and cider. We have volunteers to make soup. We will also be cooking up some hotdogs. If you would like to bring some chips or other treats, please let us know at the Welcome Center.

Pastor Appreciation Month ...October is Pastor Appreciation month. It is a great time to let our wonderful pastoral staff know how much we appreciate all that they do for our church family and for the Flushing community. Please consider how you can demonstrate your appreciation for our wonderful staff and families.

A BIG Thank You ... Many thanks from the entire FCCN staff for allowing us to serve you on a daily basis. We appreciate and are humbled by the trust you put in us. Thank you so much for the generous gifts you presented to us last week. It is an honor to serve our Lord alongside each and every one of you. - Terry, Steve, Deb, Joel & Mary Ann

Praise in Motion ... It is time for practices to begin in preparation for the Christmas season. If you are 7-12 years of age or a teen-young adult and you love to dance, here a great opportunity to bring glory to God through dance. Classes begin the week of October 17. Stop by the Welcome Center for more information or contact Sandy Massey.

Interested in Getting Involved ... Pastor Terry is currently seeking out individuals who would be interested in serving on several leadership teams including: First Impressions, Global Outreach, and Local Outreach. Contact Terry with questions or expressed interest.

Need Help? ... Have any jobs that you have been putting off around the house or yard? The teens of our church want to help! We will hold a "Hired Help" Silent Auction, beginning October 23, where you can bid on students for 3 hours of work. *Teens and parents of teens:* stop by the Welcome Table or see Pastor Joel to sign up to work.



UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading!

Upward Evaluation Nights ... Reserve November 28, 29 & 30th on your calendar. It takes everyone working together to make Evaluation Nights happen. We need hospitality greeters, people to size children for uniforms, clerical helpers, folks to help evaluate basketball skills. In other words—we need YOU!!! See Pastor Joel and let him know that you can help out!!



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.

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: <small>Mar. '11 - Feb. '12</small>	10/2 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	255			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$9,628	\$6,734	\$195,617	\$195,286
"All In" Fund <small>(2011-12 Ministry Initiatives)</small>	\$918	\$1,154	\$41,673	\$33,466

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) | Matt Johnson (2012)
 Joe Ledger (2014) | Sam Salem (2013)

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Sunday, October 9, 2011

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.

Prayer is a real mystery for many of us. We know we need to pray but we often run out of time each day. We want to believe that God hears our prayers but when they go unanswered we often find ourselves confused and frustrated. How do we pray? Where and when should we pray? Over the next 3 weeks we will explore the ideas of prayer and discover ways we can expand our understanding of prayer.

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 Lord 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. Online contributions can be done through your personal banking institution. Instructions on this method are at the Welcome Center. Thank you for your faithful giving and support of our church.



Join us for our study on...

Creativity

October Focus ... Children K-4 are experiencing lessons on the virtue "creativity." Today's lesson: A Tisket, A Tasket—Moses & Miriam.
Memory Verse: "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."
Ephesians 2:10

CLUB 56

A ministry for 5th & 6th graders

October Teaching Series ... Today's lesson: Thumbs Up—God's approval matters most of all. Galatians 1:10

Corn Maze Time! ... Come join the fun of running through a Corn Maze on Sunday, October 16. We will leave the church at 4:00 PM and return at 7:00 Pm. \$10 gets you in and refreshments. Drivers NEEDED!

Fusion Student Ministry

Fusion Gathering ... We gather at 7:00 pm tonight—please note the time change. This will allow everyone to time to get here from "Courageous."

Wednesday Night Boost ... meet at Pastor Joel's house (2438 N. McKinley Road) at 6:30 PM as we look at the book "A Walk Thru the Bible."

Fusion Parent Meeting ... We will gather for a short meeting TODAY immediately following worship. Topics include: upcoming fund raisers, teaching topics and Spring Hill winter retreat.

Winter Retreat ... Make sure our Winter Retreat is on your calendar for February 3-5. More details to follow!

Oak Street Renovation

Calling all interested volunteers ... Work has begun! We have demolition, drywall, roofing, painting and plumbing needs. Skilled volunteers will be placed into a schedule so that we can get this work done in a timely manner. Lots of unskilled labor (no that is not an insult!) is needed also. Let us know you are interested and available by stopping by the Welcome Center or contacting Pastor Joel or Pastor Terry.

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!

Thanksgiving Dinners ... Mercy Team is preparing for our Thanksgiving Dinner Outreach. If you or your business is interested in donating turkeys, please contact Bob Coe.

:: 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!

Greg Bois: recently diagnosed with cancer

Dar Christiansen: undergoing testing for heart concerns

Todd Christiansen: heart and pulmonary concerns

The Cole Family: in the adoption process

Mary Ann Goad: inner ear condition causing dizziness

Kathleen Irish: heart concerns and continued testing

John Jordan: battling cancer (friends of Brandt's & Fras')

Melody Keeler: recovering from surgery

Gayle Lazar: brain tumor (sister to Gary Goad)

Brian Mazza: upcoming colon surgery at Cleveland Clinic

David Piechowski: multiple health concerns including ALS

Karen Quintal: battling Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD)

John Rau: recuperating from chemo (uncle to Wendy Freeman)

Karen Rosell: multiple health related concerns (friend of Michelle Cole)

Gene Tabor: multiple health concerns (father of Dan Tabor)

General Prayers to remember ...

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

Those Looking for Work: may God open the right doors!

Our Soldiers ... Josh Barber (USMC); Ryan Crist (USARMY - Iraq) Levi

Garret (USARMY - Afghanistan); Allan Hadland (USARMY -

Afghanistan); Cole Iaquinto (Nat'l Guard); Marcos Lambaria (US

Marines); Andrew Marks (USAF in Kansas); Tim Sunday (USAF in

Washington); Ben Shelton (Coast Guard) *[share any additional military names*

with Pastor Terry]

If you have a prayer concern, please share those with our office staff so that you can be supported through prayer! Call the office at 732.0282. Thank you!

:: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

OCTOBER:

9 Fusion Parent Meeting

9 Viewing of movie "Courageous" (4PM at Rave Flint West)

12 Wednesday Night Boost

16 Club 56 to Corn Maze

20 Children's Team Ministry Meeting

23 All-Church Orchard Run

25 Community Life Ministry Team Meeting

26 Mobile Food Pantry

26 Wednesday Night Boost

29 Spiritual Life Ministry Team Meeting

30 Club 56 Gathering at Church

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

See our complete calendar at flushingcommunity.org