

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

Welcome Baby Lopez ... We are thrilled to announce the arrival of baby John Rhiley Lopez born to his proud parents, Josh & Mary, on Monday, January 17. He has spent this week at the NICU at Hurley but is doing very well. John weighed in at 6 lbs. 11 oz. and was 19 inches long. Continue to pray for strength in his little body and for the entire family!

Pick-up Basketball ... Hey guys, don't forget to come back tonight for some basketball. Since the teens are off-site, we will start at a special time ... 7:00 PM. All levels of play are welcomed.

Year-End Statements ... Rich Christopher, church treasurer has mailed everyone's year-end contribution statements. If you have not received yours or if you have any questions, you can contact Rich at 659-5454. Thank you for worshipping through giving!!

Sermon Notes & Insert ... We've designed a place for your to engage today's message in the insert provided in this bulletin. Open it up and be challenged throughout the week to stay in God's Word and seek Him through prayer.

Membership Class ... Are you interested in learning more about the Church of the Nazarene and discovering more about official membership in our church? Maybe you are already a member but would like to have a refresher? Pastor Terry will be offering a revamped, 2-part Membership 101 class beginning Sunday, January 30 (5-6:30 PM) and concluding Sunday, February 13. Sign up at the Welcome Center to reserve your spot or see Pastor Terry.

Pastoral Review ... In keeping with the Nazarene Church policy on Pastoral assignments, Dr. Anthony (Eastern Michigan District Superintendent) will be conducting a 2-year review of Pastor Terry on Sunday, January 30. The elected Church Board will be meeting with him on that day. Please join us in prayer for this time experience to be mutually beneficial and Spirit-led.

FCOC ... is looking for volunteers to be on a monthly clean up crew. Interested? Contact Terry Bigelow at 487-4443.

Miss a Sunday? Download our weekly messages and bulletins on our website to stay connected with the faith conversation of the church. Just visit www.flushingcommunity.org.



UPWARD Basketball & Cheerleading

Every Child Plays | Every Child Learns | Every Child Wins!

Celebrating our 5th Season at FCC!

Prayer Team ... Pray that coaches continue to teach their devotions well and that each team begins to establish a good connection with each other. May God's Word be fruitful as it is shared!! You can be a part of this vital team - just see Melissa Maynor!

Calling all Greeters & Facility Helpers ... It's "all hands on deck" for Upward to run smoothly. Can you help us? Give a little or give a lot ... we need what you can offer!! See Matt or Pam Young (399-3386) to get involved!



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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Welcome to Worship!

Sunday, January 23, 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.

We are concluding our teaching series today called **“That’s My Church!”** Throughout the past 2-weeks, we have looked at the foundation and mission of the Christian Church. Today we ask question, “Are you all in?” Are you proud to tell a friend, “Hey, that’s my church!”? Does God look down on us and say, “Now that’s MY church!”?

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.



DETERMINATION:
deciding it's worth it to finish
what you've started

This Month’s Virtue ... is “determination”! Ready. Set. Go! We are going to look at some exciting Bible stories this month how people just like us had to stick with it and finish strong!

Memory Verse ... “Let us keep running the race marked out for us!” Hebrews 12:1. Parents, help your child put this verse to memory throughout this month!

Flushing Student Ministry

Parent Meeting ... Pastor Terry would like to meet with all parents of teenagers immediately following the worship service. The purpose for our gathering will be to discuss the process of hiring our new youth pastor and share some details regarding NYC & our Spring Hill Retreat.

Laser Tag TONIGHT ... We are heading to Zap Zone in Lansing! It’s going to be great fun for junior and senior high!! Be at the church today by 4:45 PM (we’ll get back around 9:00 PM). We may need drivers so see Nicole Wallace to find our more and to help out!

Lock-in Part 2 ... It’s crazy all over again! Invite your senior high friends to a fun lock in on Friday, January 28! See Beth Harris to learn more!!

Springhill Winter Retreat ... has been rescheduled for March 11-12 due to a school related conflict! This will be a combined Jr-Sr High retreat! Get the details and forms from Nicole Wallace today.

CLUB 56

A ministry for 5th & 6th graders

Sunday Mornings ... All preteens (5th & 6th grades) meet in the Loft this morning. The loft is located in the NW corner of the gym.

January 23 ... Come to the church tonight from 5-6:30 PM and have a great time playing some games and brainstorming about things we can do this winter and spring. Bring your ideas and see Josh or Angie Upleger with questions.

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!

February is Diaper Month ... We have set a goal to fill the storage room at the Flint Eastside Mission with diapers! This is a constant need for those with small children. Can you help us? Hear more details soon!

:: 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!

- Christy Ogles-Campbell:** recovering from surgery
- The Cole Family:** in the adoption process
- Jeff & Valerie Griffis:** in the loss of their child, Jeremiah (friends of Lintz’s)
- Allana Hadland:** radiation treatments (daughter of Dorie Gibbs)
- Gayle Lazar:** recovering from brain surgery (sister of Gary Goad)
- Bob Leach:** cancer treatments (friend of Dar Christiansen)
- The Lopez Family:** on the safe delivery of baby John (in NICU)
- Debbie Nelson:** recovering from car accident
- Karen Quintal:** battling Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy (RSD)
- Karen Rosell:** multiple health related concerns (friend of Michelle Cole)
- Marrah Serban:** diagnosed with leukemia (a 13 yr. old & a friend to many)
- Robert Stansfield:** leukemia (father of Mary Marks)
- Bernie Towns:** recovering from brain surgery (friend of the Upleger’s)
- Expectant Mothers:** Rojeanna Williams.

General Prayers to remember ...

- Upcoming Church Elections:** pray for clarity & wisdom (taking place 2/27)
- Youth Pastor Search:** pray for guidance in this new pursuit
- Our Staff & Leadership:** wisdom, protection, unity, and vision.
- UPWARD Basketball:** Leadership Team, Matt & Pam Young, directors
- Our Soldiers** ... Josh Barber (USMC); Levi Garret (USARMY - deployed to Afghanistan); Allana Hadland (USAF); Allan Hadland (USARMY); Cole Iaquinto (Nat’l Guard); Andrew Marks (Basic Training USAF in Texas)
[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!

:: Coming this Week ::

SUNDAY | JANUARY 23

- 10:30 AM Morning Worship Service
- 11:45 AM Parents of Teens Meeting
- 4:45 PM Youth Group leave for Zap Zone
- 5:00 PM Club 56
- 7:00 PM Men’s Open Basketball

MONDAY | JANUARY 24

- 4-8:00 PM Upward Basketball Practices

TUESDAY | JANUARY 25

- 4-8:00 PM Upward Basketball Practices

WEDNESDAY | JANUARY 26

- 4-8:00 PM Upward Basketball Practices
- 7:00 PM Growing Kids God’s Way Class

THURSDAY | JANUARY 27

- 4-8:00 PM Upward Basketball Practices
- 7:00 PM Creative Team Meeting

SATURDAY | JANUARY 29

- 9:00 AM Upward Game Day begins