

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

Open Gym Basketball ... Hey guys, join us from 8-9:30 PM tonight! Bring a white and colored shirt for teams.

A Class for Parents ... "Reflections of Moral Innocence" is a curriculum developed by the same people who wrote "Growing Kids' God's Way." This class looks at human sexuality and purity from a Biblical point of view. Mike & Amy Lintz will be leading this 8-week session on Wednesday evenings. Class will begin this Wednesday evening January 25. Details are at the Welcome Center.

"Discover Membership" Class ... Would you like to discover more about official church membership? Pastor Terry will be teaching a 2-session class beginning on Sunday, February 5 from 6-7:30 pm. The class will finish up on Sunday, February 12. Write "Membership" next to your name on the Friendship Books today to sign up.

Flushing Christian Outreach Center ... Gently used or new boots of all sizes can be dropped off in the box found in our church entry. Other needs: laundry and dish soap, shampoo, cereal and chunky soups.

Run Like a Wildebeest ... Plans are underway for a race in memory of Greg Flint. The 5K & 10K race is coming April 28 but volunteers are being organized now! Dan Tabor is coordinating all volunteers for the event. Sign up at the Welcome Center or see Dan today.

Team Day ... is an opportunity to be inspired and learn how to improve in your area of ministry. It's coming to Perry, MI on Saturday March 10. Information is at the Welcome Center today. See Pastor Terry.

Looking Ahead to Graduation Open Houses ... It seems like the end of the school year is far off—but building reservations are already coming in for Open Houses. Get your reservation in early so that you are left "out in the rain!" See Mary Ann Korte for forms and details.

Building Availability ... For building needs, please look at the calendar online and click the red button above the calendar to see the complete schedule of building usage and rental. See Mary Ann with questions.

Meals Ministry ... If you would like to get on a list of folks to provide meals for families who are recovering or going through a difficult time, please contact Michelle Cole (965-1251).

Church Directory Pictures ... If you need to get your family picture updated for our directory, we will be taking pictures throughout the month of January. Stop by the Welcome Table and get ready to smile for the camera! The directory is downloadable on our website in a PDF format.



**We've had 2 successful weekends!
Dribble it, Pass it, We want a basket!**

Game Day Volunteers ... Many hands make light work! If you could volunteer a couple hours on any Saturday for Upward, it would be greatly appreciated. Sign up sheets for hourly slots are available at the Welcome Center. See Joel Heald or Carolyn Case to learn how 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 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: <small>Mar. '11 - Feb. '12</small> | 1/15 Actual: | Weekly Goal: | Raised YTD: | Budget YTD: |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| Morning Worship Attendance: | 236 | | | |
| Tithes and Offerings: | \$7,042 | \$6,734 | \$295,820 | \$296,646 |
| "All In" Fund <small>(2011-12 Ministry Initiatives)</small> | \$1,050 | \$1,154 | \$51,591 | \$50,756 |

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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to experience the
Transforming
Love of God
and share it
with others.

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 have all had our vitals checked. Do you ever wonder if they will ever listen for your heartbeat and not be able to find it? That would be impossible - but our heart is so vital to our living that often we forget that it's there pumping for us 24 hours a day. Day and night! Spiritually, we need to have our vitals checked, as well. Today we continue our conversation that looks at our spiritual vital signs. Could you use a check up?

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 Christlike 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 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 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). Thank you for your faithful giving and support.



This Month's Virtue is ...

Self-Control

Virtue of the Month ... Self-Control—choosing to do what you should do, not what you want to do. Memory Verse: My dear brothers and sisters, pay attention to what I say. Everyone should be quick to listen. But they should be slow to speak. They should be slow to get angry. *James 1:19*

Today's Lesson ... Select your words carefully. *Proverbs 12:18*

Club 56 January Theme—Parents and other Authorities.

Today's Lesson ... The Bible teaches us how to relate to authority. *1 Peter: 2:13a.*

Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed ... All areas of our Children's Ministry would welcome new volunteers. Contact Pastor Deb Simmons for more information.

fusion Student Ministries

Fusion ... No meeting tonight. No excuses for not getting your homework done!

Momentum 2012... If you did not receive a Momentum packet in the mail this past week, let Joel know ASAP! You don't want to miss out on this awesome art, talent, and sports filled weekend. Registration must be turned in by February 1!!



Spring Hill Winter Retreat... Retreat fees are due immediately! See Joel if you are unsure on your balance.

Drivers Needed ... Can you drive for the retreat? See Joel today!! We need several more vehicles!!

Oak Street Renovation

Project Update ... The new front doors and windows have been installed! We are one big step closer to completion!! If you can volunteer some time to help us install furring strips and vinyl siding, please see Joel or Terry today!! We hope to accomplish this task within a couple weeks.

Get Involved ... If you'd like to volunteer, see Pastor Joel today!

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!

Dar Christiansen: recovering

Todd Christiansen: heart and pulmonary concerns

The Cole Family: in the adoption process

Louise Cross: recovering from a broken hip

Randy Freeman: kidney stones

Kathleen Irish: heart concerns

Melody Keeler: recovering

Brian Mazza: recovering

David Piechowski: multiple health concerns including ALS

The Poindexter Family: Ron, Dee, Steve

General Prayers to remember ...

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

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 - Iraq); 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 let us know!
Call the office at 732.0282.*



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 ::

JANUARY:

- 24.....Tuesday Night Ladies Small Group (at Korte Home)
- 25.....Parenting Class Begins (Reflections of Moral Innocence)
- 25.....Men's Group (at Salem's Home)
- 28.....Upward Game Day #3
- 31.....Tuesday Night Ladies Small Group (at Korte Home)

FEBRUARY:

- 01.....Parenting Class (Reflections of Moral Innocence)
- 01.....Men's Group (at Salem's Home)
- 02.....Spring Hill Retreat, returning on Sunday
- 04.....Upward Game Day #4
- 06.....Red Cross Blood Drive
- 06.....Mercy Team Meeting
- 07.....Board Meeting

*So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected!
See our complete calendar at flushingcommunity.org*