

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

**Easter Dinners ...** Did you know that we passed out 100 Easter dinners this week? Thanks to everyone who helped make that possible!!

**Dodge Ball ...** Our annual church dodge ball tournament is coming on April 15 from 5-7PM. We had a great time last year. No need to be a "serious" dodge ball fanatic—everyone and all ages are welcome to come and have fun together. See Leslie Horn with questions!

**Piston Tickets ...** If you are interested in going to see the Pistons Tuesday, April 17 for free, sign up at the Welcome Center!

**Dessert Auction ...** Our annual Dessert Auction is coming Sunday, April 22. This fun time involves a free lunch together and bidding on some great desserts. You can sign up at the Welcome Table and let us what tantalizing dessert you plan to make or email Mary Ann Korte at mak@flushingcommunity.org. All proceeds will benefit our children and youth summer camp scholarship fund!

**Run Like a Wildebeest ...** This race is in memory of our friend Greg Flint and will take place on Saturday, April 28. For more information or to register for the race, visit runlikeawildebeest.com.

**Support FCOC at Meijer ...** The Flushing Christian Outreach Center is partnering with the Pierson Rd. Meijer in their "Simply Give" program. From now thru May 19 you may "purchase" a Simply Give card when you check out & the funds will go into an account for FCOC at Meijer.

**Praise in Motion ...** If you are between the ages of 8-14 and want to join a dance troupe, this is just for you. Performances will include our worship service in late spring. Contact Sandy Massey at 810-333-0008 or 810-986-7234 for more information.

**Wednesday Night BOOST**

**Get ready for our spring session!**  
The Spiritual Life Team is excited to offer a 7-week session of BOOST beginning April 11.

**Ladies: "Mercy Triumphs" by Beth Moore.** Sign up at the Welcome Center for a workbook. This 7-week video/discussion course will encourage your view of mercy.

**Men:** Utilizing the Life Application Bible, we are going to journey through the book of James. Join us at the Salem's (3301 Fieldstone). All guys are welcomed!

**The Book of Acts:** Mike DeVuyst will be leading a great discussion on the book of Acts. This group is open for any adult and it will look at the early church and it's impact in our life today!

**Teens:** will be gathering at Pastor Joel's house and looking at the "Mosaic Experiment." We'll have a great time together and spend some time considering some ancient practices of the church and how they impact our world today!

**Children:** will be gathering at the church and looking at the Lord's Prayer. How did Jesus teach us to pray and why is prayer so important? **Club 56** will be meeting in the loft and going through the Book of Daniel. This material was developed by the Billy Graham Association and is a great study on living boldly!



**Our Church Story**

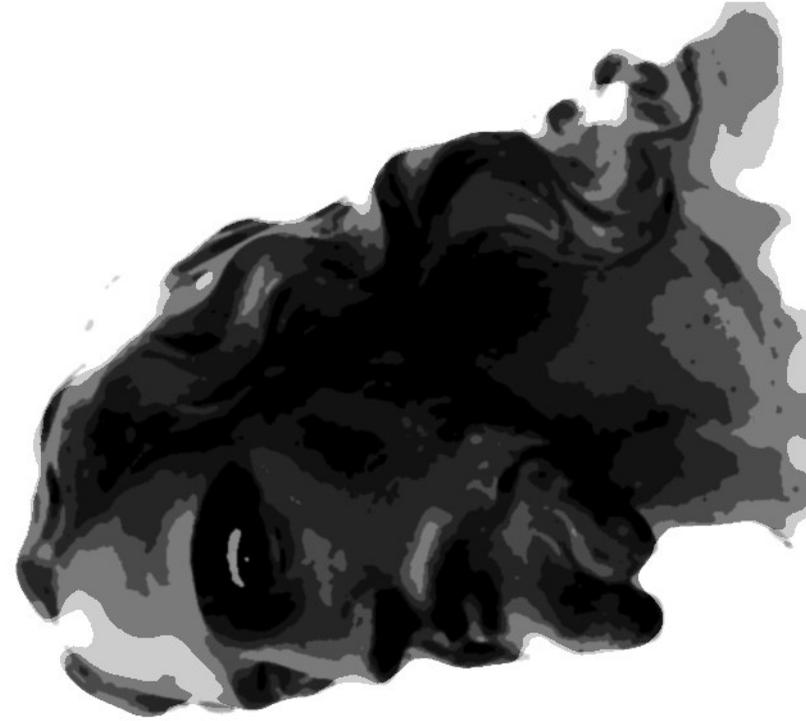
In the summer of 1996, God began to move in the hearts of a handful of people to start a creative new church in Flushing. In January of 1997, Pastor Darrel Harvey and his family moved from Cincinnati to the Flushing area to begin this new ministry.

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!



Who is this man?



**Stewardship Report:** Mar. 12 - Feb. 13

	4/1 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	251			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$5,757	\$7,593	\$26,337	\$30,372

*Thank you for your faithfulness in worshipping the Lord by giving of your financial resources!*

**:: Our Leadership Team ::**

**Terry Bate**

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**Mary Ann Korte Debbie Simmons**

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**Our Church Board Members:**

Mark Burba (2014) | Bob Coe (2013) | Joe Ledger (2014)  
Melissa Maynor (2015) | Sam Salem (2013) | 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.

We are excited to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus along with each of you today! We hope your Easter celebrations include chocolate, eggs, bunnies, and those you love the most! But don't forget the real reason for our celebration. Life as we know it changed 2000 years ago on the first Easter. Sunday used to be just the first day of the week but now it's the day we celebrate new life through Jesus Christ! He is risen!!

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 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 ...*

# HOPE

**Virtue of the Month ...** Hope—believing that something good can come out of something bad. Memory verse: "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33b

**Today's Lesson ...** Return of the Savior -*John 20:1-18*. The Bottom Line: Whatever happens, God is stronger than anything.



**Club 56 April Theme—New Life in Christ:** Today's Lesson is "God has the power over life and death" - *2Cor. 5:17*

## fusion Student Ministries

**Fusion ...** We will not meet tonight. Get ready to back to school tomorrow!!

**Camps are Coming...** Summer camp registration for Waters Edge has begun! Senior High (completed 9th thru 12th grade) will be June 24-29. Junior High (completed 7th & 8th grade) will be July 29 - Aug 3. Get a registration packet from the Welcome Center.

**Our Shirts are In!!** If you ordered a new Fusion t-shirt, you can pay for and pick up your order at the Welcome Center beginning today. A few extras were ordered if you would like one. They are only \$12!

**The Flint Project...** Join Flint Central and other youth groups for an awesome 4-day local mission project June 15-19. Cost is \$75 and registration is due Sunday, April 29. High School students only. (2012/13)

**Pistons Tickets...** All families from the church are invited to join us for a free Pistons game on Tuesday, April 17th at The Palace. Space is limited to the first 96 to sign-up, and parking passes are available also. Tickets will be distributed Sunday, April 15th. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

## Oak Street Renovation

**Project Update ...** We are looking for two project coordinators! One to coordinate construction of our interior walls and another to coordinate our vinyl siding going on the outside. See Pastor Terry or Pastor Joel if you are interested in learning more!

**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!

**Shawn Andrews:** bulging disc in her neck

**Dar Christiansen:** recovering

**Bob Coe:** recovering from knee surgery

**The Cole Family:** in the adoption process

**Louise Cross:** recovering from a broken hip

**Randy Freeman:** recovering

**Darlene Holmes:** aneurism in the brain

**Kathleen Irish:** heart concerns, now at Willowbrook

**John Jordan:** battling cancer

**Carley Lord:** torn ACL and pending surgery

**Nancy Lueker:** upcoming surgery

**Shanna Massey:** dislocated knee

**Brian Mazza:** recovering from surgery

**Deb Nelson:** broken hip from car accident

**David Piechowski:** multiple health concerns including ALS

**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 - Kansas);

Allan Hadland (USARMY - Germany); 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]*



*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 ::

**APRIL:**

- 10.....Board Meeting (Korte's house)
- 10.....Ladies Morning Small Group (Priscilla Harris's home)
- 10.....Ladies Evening Small Group (Carolyn Case's home)
- 11.....Wednesday Night Boost
- 15.....Children's Ministry Meeting
- 15.....Fusion Student Ministries
- 15.....Dodge Ball
- 15.....Men's Open Basketball
- 17.....Ladies Morning Small Group (Michelle Cole's home)
- 17.....Ladies Evening Small Group (Korte's home)
- 17.....Youth Tiger Outing
- 18.....Wednesday Night Boost

*So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected!  
See our complete calendar at [flushingcommunity.org](http://flushingcommunity.org)*