



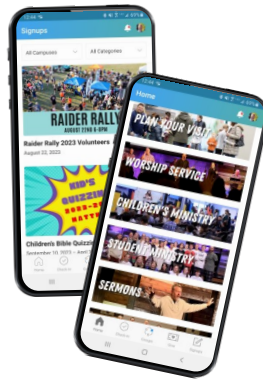
## DOWNLOAD OUR NEW APP TODAY!

### Why use it?

- Families can pre-check-in children!
- Easy platform for online giving!
- Sign up for any event!
- Volunteer schedules all in one place!
- Quickly get all church information & updates!

### Download the Church Center APP:

Scan QR code or search for "Church Center" in your App Store!



## Discover ways to take your next step with us!

**UPWARD GAME DAYS:** Did you know we have over 460 children involved in our 18th season of Upward? We need volunteers for greeters, referees, clock operation, and clean up! You can take your next step and volunteer by using our Church Center APP and click "Signups" at the bottom! See Brad Rucker if you have questions!

**THE GATHERING:** Join this friendly group Sundays at 9AM in Cafe Room 1 for a discussion on the topic: *When Your Way Isn't Working*. In this study, we'll discover how the fruit of our lives has nothing to do with our accomplishments and everything to do with our connection to Jesus. Everyone is welcome to join us!

**THE BAND JAREN:** Our very own "The Band Jaren" is on a Christmas Tour and they will be with us on Tuesday, December 19 at 7PM for a free benefit concert for "Bread for Life." There is a link to reserve your spot on our online HUB: [flushingcommunity.org/hub](http://flushingcommunity.org/hub).

**FCC RESOURCE CENTER:** Did you know that we have an area filled with Christian books and resources? Just inside the Café Entrance, you can find great books and Bible studies that can be checked out for free. See Pastor Mike if you would like be involved with our resource team!



### Worship through Giving:

*Every life that is reached, every family that is fed, and every spiritual seed that is sown is made possible through your generous and sacrificial giving! Thank you!*

#### Stewardship Report:

	November Giving:	Budget:	Given YTD:*	Annual Budget:
Regular Giving:	\$58,992	\$57,848	\$532,691	\$694,175

(\* Our Fiscal YTD is March to February (established by our Nazarene District)



Our weekly iPray Guide contains specific requests for our church family. To receive a printed or email copy of the guide, contact Tammy Davis at [tammyd@flushingcommunity.org](mailto:tammyd@flushingcommunity.org).



## Mercy Team

*Generously loving all with the Mercy and Love of God!*

**CHRISTMAS FILL-A-BOX:** All boxes are due back today! If you need to bring yours in after service, the "airlock" will be open for you. Distribution will take place tomorrow! Thank you for making a positive impact on nearly 100 families!!

**WINTER COAT COLLECTION:** We are collecting your gently used and clean winter coats. Hang your coat on the rack by the Café entrance with the sign! We will distribute your donations to local compassionate ministry centers.

**FCOC DECEMBER COLLECTIONS:** cereal & Kleenex, toilet paper and paper towel. All donations can be dropped off at the Mercy Center in the gym. To find out more about FCOC and how to volunteer, visit [www.flushingchristianoutreach.org](http://www.flushingchristianoutreach.org).



## FCC Kids Ministries

*For all children birth to 6th grade*

**VOLUNTEER WITH FCC KIDS:** Are you looking for a way to engage at FCC? Children's Ministry has multiple ways to get involved! Sign up on the APP today!!

**EARLY CHILDHOOD:** Our Baby Blvd & Tyke Town staff are ready to take great care of your child! Our interactive play and teaching is a blast!

**9:00 KID CITY IN DECEMBER:** Today we learn how Jesus brings comfort and peace as we read about the angel visiting Mary from Luke 1:26-28.

**10:30 KID CITY IN DECEMBER:** We continue this month hearing remarkable messages that angels shared with God's people. Today, we learn about an angel appearing to Mary from Luke 1:26-55.



## IGNITE Student Ministries

*For all students 7th to 12th grade*

**SPRINGHILL WINTER RETREAT:** This is an incredible retreat is coming Feb. 16-18 and is for all 7th-12th graders! Cost: \$165/student with multiple discounts available with Upward & Youth Group attendance! Sign up on the APP today! Space is limited!!

**NO YOUTH GROUP:** We will not be meeting on 12/24 or 12/31. Enjoy your family time!



**TONIGHT 6-8PM**  
Wear your favorite Christmas outfit or PJs!  
Bring a \$5 value gift for exchange!

# Sermon Notes:

*Take time to listen to the voice of God in your life  
and write some reminders for yourself in this space.*



**"Overjoyed" part 2: The Willingness of Joseph**  
Pastor Terry Bate | #FCCoverjoyed

The Greek word for Joseph's occupation is "tekton." What kind of jobs could that have described in the first century culture?

How did Jesus' training as a "carpenter" impact his teaching?

What can we conclude about Joseph's life?

**Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
God's plan for his family !**

**Joseph couldn't always be \_\_\_\_\_  
but he could always be \_\_\_\_\_ !**

## **REFLECTION & APPLICATION:**

*What is ONE thing that stands in your way for responding to God's call?  
Is God challenging you to respond by faith to something specific today?*



You can re-watch our service throughout this week  
by visiting our website and click "watch online."  
You can also subscribe to our YouTube page:  
search for "Flushing Community Church."



## **Welcome to December 17, 2023**



The Christmas season is a perfect time to anticipate the birth of Jesus.  
The arrival of the Christ-child weaves a narrative of hope, faith, and the  
transforming power of God's love that leaves us ...  
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**CHRISTMAS EVE  
SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

**Morning Worship**  
9am & 10:30am Services  
Full Children's Ministry

**Evening Candlelight**  
4:30pm & 6pm Services  
Family Worship