



N A R T H E X

FLOSSMOOR COMMUNITY CHURCH

Where Christ is Central and Diversity is Cherished

September 2011

Sunday, September 11, is KICK-OFF SUNDAY!

- Kickoff Worship at 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- Nursery Care all morning
- Church School, ages 2 - Kindergarten at 10:30 a.m.
- Promised Land, grades 1-6 at 10:30 a.m.
- Youth Groups begin at 10:30 a.m.

Come and join us!

THE TASTE OF FCC RETURNS!



**What will be
on your plate
this year?**

Join us September 11 after each worship service for our very own "Taste of FCC!" From Children's to Adult Ministries, PADS, Worship & Arts to Women's and Men's Association our front lawn will be transformed into a festive fellowship fair. Take a taste and take a tour of all the ministry opportunities that FCC has to offer. Refreshments will be served.

Nourish your body and your soul as we head into fall and this exciting time in the life of our church. Questions? Please call Rose Mayer at 957-9520.

Sponsored by the Board of Congregational Life

FCC HAS LOTS IN STORE!

Flossmoor Community Church is buzzing with a flurry of start-up activity! Inside you will find valuable information about upcoming programming, new and exciting opportunities, Sunday School startup, as well as a recap of some wonderful happenings from the Summer.

This fall offers much to anticipate. Additionally, each month through Advent will have a special theme focus. Check out what's in store below and inside, and come on home to FCC!

SEPTEMBER:

**Christian
Education**

OCTOBER:

Outreach

NOVEMBER:

Discipleship

DECEMBER:

Worship

A Message from your Stewardship Committee

From God's Hands



Through Our Hands

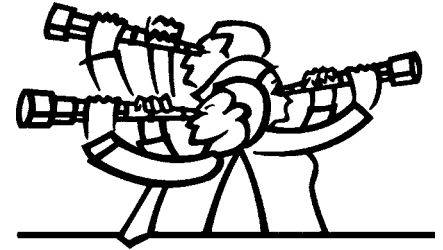
As we begin another church year, the Stewardship committee thanks everyone for their support of our 2011-2012 campaign, All for the Glory of God: From God's hands through our hands. Your pledges will sustain our church in these difficult and uncertain times.

Ninety-two families were able to answer the call to step up their pledge and twenty-six pledges were received from new members or those that had never pledged before. The achievement of over \$807,000 in pledges is a testament to your

generosity and determination to achieve all that God intends for Flossmoor Community Church.

Every day, we enjoy all that God provides and we give thanks for this abundance by giving back a portion to God. This year more than ever before, we must strive to keep up with our Stewardship pledges so that the mission and ministries of our church have the resources to serve God.

The Stewardship committee thanks everyone for all that you have done and for all that you will continue to do for FCC. With the arrival of Kick-Off Sunday, September 11, 2011 we look forward to taking the next step together in our journey of faith.



Associate Pastor Search Committee Update

The Associate Pastor Search Committee (APSC) is moving through a process consisting of several stages, with each candidate reviewed by the entire committee at each stage and then moved on to the next stage if criteria are met. These stages include:

- ♦ review of the initial application packages from the prospective candidates
- ♦ review of a set of written questions requested from the candidate
- ♦ telephone interview
- ♦ review of DVD of a sermon
- ♦ reference checks
- ♦ candidate in-person visit and interview
- ♦ possible second in-person interview before a recommendation is made

As of August, the Associate Pastor Search Committee moved into the telephone interview and DVD review stages with some in our candidate pool. Please keep the committee and candidates in your prayers as we discern the right fit for our church.

Members of the APSC:

Kristiana Bailey, Steve Bennett, Erik Butler, Sandy Cerveny, Nate Grant, Fred Hanzelin, Esther Jenkins, Larry Kane, Julie Lindstrom, Valerie Litchfield, Fred Lyon, Pat Mucklow, Rebecca Pugh, Chris Riedel, Deb Robertson, and Laura Walter.

Thank you to our transitional pastor/ advisor Kim Wood and all the FCC staff who help and support us in so many ways in this time of transition.

Season Start-Up Mentionings...

AAAAACHOOO!



During the upcoming cold and flu season, we will have extra sanitizers available. You may or may not want to shake hands during the Passing of the Peace; but a pat on the back or other acknowledgement of God's peace is always welcome!



HEAVENLY HOSTS NEEDED!

The Board of Lay Ministries is looking for more Heavenly Hosts! Our Heavenly Hosts sit at the Welcome and Information Desks before and after each service. Please contact Janet Bolton at jrb320mi@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer!



WHERE ARE YOU PARKING?

We received this prayer request:

Anonymous – I have a handicapped sticker and when I arrived the spots were filled with cars that didn't have tags. I request prayers for those drivers, that they have compassion for those that have issues and that need the space.

Music Ministries



New Cherub Choir Director Announced!



While we were very sorry to receive Cindy Gdalmán's resignation as Cherub Choir Director over the summer, we are very pleased to announce that **Jennifer Wojcikowski** has agreed to take on that position. Many of you remember that Jen was our Chancel Ringer director for several years, but prior to that she also directed the Jubilate Choir.

She says, *"Though my grown-up job is a marketing and communications consultant, I've taught private piano for the past 11 years. My students' ages range from 5 to 45! I used to teach Kindermusik at the church, and even shared it as a part of the preschool program under Ginny Hartley. One of my favorite biblical passages tells us to 'make a joyful noise unto the Lord.' I've sung in choirs since I was 7, making a joyful noise, and look forward to bringing the joy of music-making to the Cherubs!"*



Music Rehearsal Start-Up Dates

Our children's **Cherub and Jubilate Choirs** begin rehearsals this year on **Wednesday, September 7 at 4 p.m.** The Cherub Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Wojcikowski, welcomes singers in grades K - 3 in the Family Room on the second floor and rehearses from 4 - 4:45 p.m. The Jubilate Choir is directed by Mrs. Valerie Pasqua and welcome singers in grades 3 - 7. They rehearse in the Chapel in the worship wing from 4 - 5 pm. on Wednesdays. Children in 3rd grade may choose which choir to participate in based on music experience, comfort level, ages of siblings, etc. The choirs participate in worship approximately once a month from September to May.

Our **Chancel Ringers** bell choir, and **Chancel Choir** begin rehearsals on **Thursday, September 1 at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.** respectively, under the direction of Michael Rugen. Both groups welcome musicians from high school age on up. The Ringers lead us in worship approximately once a month and the Chancel Choir sings in worship two - three times per month. No audition required - just a desire to make a joyful noise unto the Lord and to have fun and fellowship while you're at it!



Women of Note

Rehearsals to begin!!!

Come join us on **Thursday, October 11 at 1:15 pm** in Bell Chapel. The Women of Note is a non-tryout group of women who love to sing and enjoy preparing women's ensemble music—both sacred and secular—to sing for church, senior residences and health-care facilities. We rehearse promptly beginning at 1:30 for an hour each week. All former members and any new members are welcome! Rita Littmann is the director of this group. If questions--call 708-489-9601.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY REMEMBRANCE



10th Anniversary of September 11, 2001

Sunday, September 11 at 4 p.m. at Flossmoor Community Church

Featuring Music from the Homewood-Flossmoor Viking Choir and Viking Orchestra



ADULT EDUCATION

Welcome to the new year! Over the course of the year, we hope to offer you a series of classes and opportunities that reflect the interest you expressed in our survey last year. Please join us and don't hesitate to reach out and let us know if there is a topic you would like to cover or are interested in teaching!

WALKING THE LABYRINTH

Sundays, September 18 - October 23 at 10:30 a.m.

The labyrinth is a powerful symbol and tool for our spiritual and psychological development that has been taking on modern significance and we are seeing labyrinth designs in churches, hospitals, corporate centers and public parks all over the country and the world. Long symbolizing transformation and renewal, the labyrinth offers to us a chance to reflect on our journey to the Spirit center. This series will use discussion, guided meditations and utilize our very own FCC labyrinth to explore our call to come full circle.

Hosted by Priscilla Boyd

THE BEATITUDES: DEVELOPING SPIRITUAL CHARACTER IN A MODERN WORLD

Sundays, September 18 - November 20 at 4 p.m.

The Beatitudes is probably the best known teachings of Jesus. Given as a Sermon on the Mount, it expresses ethical standards that as Christians we are to attain. It is probably the least understood and the least obeyed. It is Jesus' own description of what he wanted us to be and to do. The eight beatitudes which begin the sermon will be the focus of the class.

Hosted by Nadine Rosier

EXTREMISM AND VIOLENCE IN THE NAME OF RELIGION

Sunday, September 18, 3 - 5:30 p.m.

**St. Michael Roman Catholic Church
144th and West Avenue, Orland Park**

South West Interfaith Team will present an educational Speakers' Forum. Registration will begin at 2:30 pm. Attendance is without charge and refreshments will be served. Three speakers who represent the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths will present "Extremism and Violence in the Name of Religion – How Our Scriptures Deal with the Subject". The speakers will present their perspectives on what their respective scriptures tell us about humans dealing with each other, justice, tolerance, co-existence and the issues of religious extremism. They are:

- *Prof. Mark Swanson*, Professor of Christian-Muslim Studies and Interfaith Relations, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago;
- *Rabbi Michael Balinsky*, Executive Vice President of the

Chicago Board of Rabbis and Advisory Board member of the Bernardin Center for Catholic Theological Union;

- *Ahmed Rehab*, Executive Director of Council of American Islamic Relations Chicago and Board Member of Illinois Coalition of Immigrant & Refugee Rights

In keeping with the mission of SWIFT, on the day of the Speakers Forum event, we also hope to collect donations from those attending the Forum. We hope that attendees will bring in cleaning items including: bar soap, cleansers, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, deodorants, and dish and laundry detergents. Respond Now is a charitable organization, that supports a food pantry and prescription medicine program as well as numerous other assistance services. It is located in Chicago Heights.

COMING SOON IN OCTOBER...

DISCOVERY FORUM

Sundays, beginning October 16

Join us for a book club discussion of *The Summer Book* by Tove Jansson. The 1972 Swedish novel portrays the lives and conversations of an aging grandmother and her young granddaughter on a tiny island in the Gulf of Finland. Other dates in October will offer self-contained discussions of a variety of topics inspired by Krista Tippett's *Speaking of Faith*.

EXPLORING AND EXPANDING OUR IMAGES OF GOD

Sundays, October 16 - 30 at 6:30 p.m.

For millions of years, our ancestors remained very close to nature and saw the entire web of life infused with divinity... as we navigate through our lives together in the universe, we encounter different images and symbols that point to a larger reality and at times capture who God is for us at any given moment. Often as we live through different experiences in life, we realize that we need to expand our understanding of who God is...and let God be God!

Together we will acknowledge those images of God that have captured our experiences of God and look to the Wisdom of Creation for insight and revelation!

Hosted by Fr. Terry Johnson

YOUTH MINISTRIES



September Brings the Youth Back!

ALL YOUTH GROUPS START
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 @ 10:30 a.m.!

LEADERSHIP TEAMS

Each group in Youth Ministries is led by a team of Adult Lay Advisors and Youth Staffers (High School Juniors and Seniors). We are blessed to have four energetic and inspired teams this year:

GENESIS / 7TH GRADE

Staffers: Grace Hanzelin, Carly Mayer, Madeline Morris & Jordan Stefani

Lay Advisors: Lois Toolan, Dodi Wians & Stephanie Wright

Meets in Genesis Room (1st floor, by the back door through Youth Crossings)

EXODUS / 8TH GRADE

Staffers: Riley Blythe, Mackenzie Freund, Brian Gerecke, Kennedy Harris & Brooke Wians

Lay Advisors: Julie Haberichter & Betsy Hanzelin

Meets in Exodus Room/Room 22 (2nd floor, kitty-corner from the Family Room on the way to Spirituality Center and Promised Land)

DISCIPLES / 9TH GRADE

(Confirmation Class)

Staffers: Jimmy Austin, Andy Courington, Maija Dunham, Bridget Gallagher, Katelyn Hoag & Joe Marshall

Lay Advisors: Kristiana Bailey, Rick Hanzelin & Tom Tozer

Meets in Disciples Room/Room 23 (2nd floor, on the back side of the building, next to Family Room)

SOPHS / 10TH GRADE

Staffers: Jordan Pounder, Frankie Samargin, Nick Thiros, Henry Weeks & Tyler Wians

Lay Advisors: Annie Detrick, Greg Johnson & Ryan Wright

Meets in Tower Room (3rd floor at the top of the building, keep going up the stairs off the Lobby)

The Youth Leadership Teams meet every Wednesday Night for Worship, Fellowship and Planning. Please keep the teams in your prayers this year as they work together and seek God's guidance in teaching and leading our youth. If you have any questions or need additional information regarding Youth Ministries, please contact Betsy Hanzelin, Director of Youth Ministries at 708-798-2800, ext. 19, bhanzelin@fccfaithful.org. Youth Ministries is also on Facebook ... search for "FCC Youth Ministries."

YOUTH/ PARENT KICK-OFF!

Sunday, September 18
5 – 6:30 p.m.

All youth and their parents and siblings are invited to gather at the Community House at 5 p.m. to enjoy ice cream sundaes and fellowship together. After a brief time in the Community House, groups will meet in the youth rooms with the individual Leadership teams to make introductions and learn about the year ahead. This is a great opportunity for all of Youth Ministries and their families to begin the year in partnership, so please plan to attend (invitations, calendars and information packets will be sent to all families!)

Please note that due to budget restrictions, the event will be an ice cream social and *NOT* dinner this year.



FCC Children's Ministries



It's Kick-Off Time!

Join Children's Ministries (ages 2 yrs. – 6 th grade) for their Fall Kick-off, **September 11, at 10:30 a.m.** Parents are asked to bring their child(ren) to the Community House for a fun-filled hour of activities. Registration forms will also be available, if you haven't registered your child.

PLEASE NOTE: At the conclusion of the Sunday school hour, parents of preschooler and kindergartners may pick-up their child in their respective classroom, located in the preschool wing of the church. (Children ages 2-3 yrs. – classroom 4; 4 yrs to K - classroom 6. Kids in grades 2 – 6 will need to be signed-out from the Community House.

SPECIAL INVITATION TO PARENTS OF 1ST GRADERS!

First graders and their parents are invited to begin the morning at 10:30 in the Community House, however at the conclusion of "gathering time" will be directed to the "Promised Land." An orientation of the rotational workshop lessons and classrooms will be conducted. This is a milestone year for 1st graders as they join the big kids in Promised Land, located on the 2nd floor of the educational wing.

Look what's ahead!

Children Ministries will begin their school year September 18, right at the beginning of the Bible – Genesis! All ages will revisit the stories in Genesis that help us understand God's plan for God's people.

All classes in Children's Ministries begin at 10:30 a.m. **Preschool children ages 2 & 3 years** will meet in room 4; children 4-K's will meet in room 6. Both classrooms are located on the first floor in the preschool education wing.

Children in **grades 1 -5** begin each Sunday morning in The Temple (located on the 2nd floor of the education wing) for 15 minutes of worship. At 10:45, children, grades 1-4 will disperse to the various rotational workshop classrooms. **Tweens – 5th graders** will remain in the Temple for their lesson time. Tweens - **6 graders** begin their lesson time in Acts2Crew at 10:30 a.m.

Parents are asked to promptly pick-up their child(ren) immediately after worship.

Not yet registered?

Please register your child(ren) prior to the 9/11 kick-off. Registration forms are available on the church's web site, fccfaithful.org or from Children's Ministries.

Summer happenings in Children's Ministries!

SportsLife Camps was back again this summer and didn't disappoint the forty-eight kids who participated in a week of high energy filled activities and overwhelming excitement for Jesus. Campers were challenged to "Bring It" by discovering how they could use their eyes, feet, head and heart to know, worship and serve Jesus. Many thanks to the numerous youth and adult volunteers who graciously gave of their time, talent & ENERGY!



Fun, Food and Fellowship met on Wednesday evenings in July. Each week had a themed activity to keep everyone moving and laughing. A portion of the time was also spent in fellowship and activity with Youth Ministries.



What We Did When Jesus Left!

Jesus left the building again this summer! He walked away from the “regular” worship schedule and the “regular” liturgy and invited us to engage in mission and outreach as an expression of worship. Here are some of the ways we lifted our praise to God:



- **The Haitian Project:** we made burial palls out of pillowcases, sheets, and other cloth remnants to send to Haiti, where materials for caskets are not readily available. These palls will allow people to bury their deceased family members and friends with dignity and compassion.
- **Homewood/Flossmoor Clean-up:** Teams were sent to Millenium Park and Extreme Scene Skate Park (we also tried to work at Izaak Walton, but it was too busy) and their surrounding areas, to pick up litter and debris.
- **Habitat for Humanity:** a small-but-mighty group went to work on one of the projects for Chicago South Suburban Habitat for Humanity.
- **Sunrise Sing-Along:** A group of our folks who love to sing, accompanied by Kay Sue Nagle on the piano (thank you, Kay Sue!) headed to Sunrise Senior Living on Governor’s Highway for a rousing time singing some Golden Oldie hymns.
- **Women In Progress Collection Bins:** WIP is one of our outreach grant partners. We prepared collection bins to be put in place of public access to gather much needed items for women recently released from incarceration. Watch for more information about this vital partnership in the coming months.
- **School Prayer Walk:** Once again, prayers were made available for people in our church family to take and use at the sites of our local schools. These prayers offer a powerful way for our congregation to connect the church and the local schools.

“Jesus Has Left the Building and We’re Going with Him” is an intentional reminder that Christ didn’t just gather his followers: he did so to send them out. The ministry of the church does not focus primarily within the walls of our buildings. Christ’s teachings challenge us, Flossmoor Community Church, to use our time gathered to strengthen and guide us for much time spent out in the world, sharing, serving and loving.

Our summer adventure in worship is not just an opportunity for respite. It is a challenge for how we minister all year long. Jesus is out there, in the thick of all that is going on in the world. *Are you following him?*



As incoming chair of the Diaconate Board, I would like to thank the outgoing Chair, Chris Dolan for his service and leadership.

I would also like to remind everyone that our goal is to provide meals, transportation, memorials, visits and other assistance to our church members who are in need. This is one way we try to show the face of Christ to our community.

Please contact Pastor Kim or Don Jones if you need our help.

Let me also introduce the members of our Board: Sandi Dorst, Joyce Grant, Fred Hanzelin, Barbara Johnson, Barbara Kossuth, Gary Nordbrock, Irene Scheffke, Roberta Sergeant, Judy Smith, and Carol Swingle.

In Christ,
Mike Durkin, Diaconate Chair



FCC Weekday Preschool



DID YOU KNOW? The FCC Weekday Preschool continues to provide tuition assistance through the Chris Floyd Memorial Scholarship Fund for families in financial hardship. The need has grown, but we hope to help as many as possible experience the excellent tradition that is FCC WPS. Your generous contributions can help children join our preschool community. Checks should be made to FCC Weekday Preschool; please put Chris Floyd Scholarship Fund in the memo line. Thank you for your support!

Dear Flossmoor Community Church Congregants,

On behalf of Respond Now and our clients, thank you for your generous grant of \$5,000. Your continued support is much appreciated. Summer is a time of high demand here, and a time when donations drop. Just last Wednesday, we saw over 100 clients for food, rent, prescription and utility assistance. It was hectic, but the mood was hopeful. We opened our Children's Reading Room and now volunteers read to waiting children and they go home with a new donated book. We're very excited - and so are our clients. None of our programs would be possible without the commitment of donors like all of you. Please come visit us and see our Reading Room and Community Garden any time!

Sincerely,

Amy Weber, Associate Director
Respond Now



FEED THE WORLD

PADS Food Team is looking for YOU!

This October, South Suburban Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS) begins its 21st season of serving the homeless population in our communities. Plans are underway to begin FCC's next year of ministry to our PADS guests and we are in the process of signing up volunteers to provide meals for the 2011-2012 season. Each Sunday evening, from October through April, FCC hosts up to 30 men for the night, providing a hot dinner, breakfast and a sack lunch.

Judith and Betsy Hanzelin, our FCC PADS Food Coordinators, schedule teams of people who will assist in providing meals for our PADS guests. There are several ways you can help:

1. Cook and serve a hot dinner meal for the guests.
2. Shop for and deliver food items for breakfast and lunches. Cost averages about \$70-80 for all expenses, and items must be delivered by 7 p.m. on Sunday evening.
3. Provide dinner meal AND breakfast/lunch items.
4. Contribute funds to the FCC Food Team to purchase breakfast/lunch items on weeks there is no volunteer team.

Some teams sign up multiple times during the season, and others just provide once. All donations are considered charitable contributions and tax exempt letters and instructions are provided to assist with your shopping. Help us to continue this important ministry to the homeless men in our extended community.

Serving on PADS Food Teams is an easy way to serve others, and can be especially meaningful to families, children, or groups that work together. Our meal dates fill up fast, so if you are interested and are able to assist in any way with our PADS Food Team or if you have any questions, please contact Judith Hanzelin at 708-799-6295 or Judith@hanzelin.com at your earliest



Dear FCC,

On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors here at Bethel Community Facility, I want to thank you for your recent gift of \$4,459 from your Easter Offering. Both Tonii and I enjoyed visiting your church in April and speaking during the Mission Minute. We were deeply honored to have been selected and greatly appreciate your vote of confidence in our work.

Your gift will go directly toward meeting the programmatic needs of our Summer Performing Arts Camp, which is due to start on June 27. We have inspired many young people in our community with humble backgrounds to reach new heights through creative expression. Teachers have noted improvements academically with many of our camp participants; several have gone on to participate in theatre programs at their local schools as well as college.

Again, thank you! Your gift has truly made a difference, and was the blessing we needed to open our camp! We invite you to visit our facility to witness firsthand what we are doing in the community. Our doors are always open.

Sincerely and with warmest regards,
Rev. John H. Rice,
Sr., Executive Director,

and Tonii Harris-Taylor,
Program Director

Bethel Community Facility



Our Sympathy and Prayers to:

Susan Kociak and family in the death of her Uncle, Vernon Read (MO), on June 9.

The friends and family of long-time FCC member, Bill Aston, who died June 21.

Alice Vronay and family in the death of her husband, Tony Vronay, on June 24, and her brother, former FCC member, Raymond Bailia.

Marji O’Leary and family in the death of her father, Myron (Mike) Lewis Thomas, on June 26.

Alice Gaus and family in the death of her brother, Bill Sovern, on July 4.

Carrie Malfeo and family in the death of her grandmother.

Kathy Pound and family in the death of her son, Kyle Pound, on July 14. Kyle was the brother of Kolin, Korey, and Karson Pound, and the grandson of Edye and Bill Forestell.

Erica and Lupe De Loera and family in the death of Lupe’s mother, Rosa Maria Ramirez De Loera (Mexico), who died July 26. Rosa was also the grandmother of Zoey, Jacob, Hailey and Roberto.

Sheila Yoder and family in the death of her mother, Barbara Hulsey, who died August 6.

Brian and Kim Homrich and family in the death of Brian’s father, Donald Joseph Homrich Jr. (WY), on August 18.



We celebrate the birth of:

Libby Kathleen Slevin, born on June 3. Libby is the daughter of Julie and Sean Slevin, the sister of Lyla and James Patrick, and the granddaughter of Susan Kociak.



Did You Know?

Alannah and Khari Hill, daughters of Allen and Kalisha Hill, recently attended Interlochen Arts Camp, a summer arts program in Michigan for young aspiring artists. Allannah studied orchestra violin at the camp, and Khari studied the general arts. **Becca Francis**, who is a freshman at Lincoln Way North and a member of Youth Ministries, was also selected to attend the three-week “Creative Writing” Program at Interlochen this summer.

Among the camp’s alumni are singers Norah Jones and Josh Groban, and guests artists have included Bob Dylan, Willie Nelson, B.B. King and the Moody Blues, among others!

September 2010

Worship from 9-10 a.m. & 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Adult Education: 10:30 a.m.

Fellowship Time: 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Youth Groups: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Promised Land Church School: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Preschool Groups: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Nursery Care: 9 - 11:30 a.m.

Sun	09/04	Communion Sunday Board of Outreach (FR)	11:15 am
Tues	09/06	Diaconate (PA) Adult Ministries (Rm.23) Children's Ministries (A2C) Personnel (FR) Outreach (Rm.22)	6:30 pm 7 7:30
Sun	09/11	Kick-Off Sunday! Worship Services Return to 9 & 10:30 am Children's Ministries Kick-Off (CH) Taste of FCC	10:30 am 11
Mon	09/12	Women's & Men's Association Executive Board Meeting (FR)	12 pm
Tues	09/13	Finance (LB) Congregational Life (Rm.22) Christian Education (FR) Worship & the Arts (GS) Lay Ministries (A2C) Properties (Rm.23)	6:30 pm 7 7:30
Wed	09/14	Networking (CH)	4 pm
Thurs	09/15	October Narthex Deadline	12 pm
Sun	09/18	Youth-Parent Kick-Off (CH)	5 pm
Tues	09/20	Stewardship (SPO) Stephen Ministries Peer Support (FR, PA)	7:30 pm 7:30 pm
Tues	09/27	Governing Board (FH)	7 pm
Wed	09/28	Foundation (FR)	7:30 pm



SPECIAL WEEKLY RECURRING EVENTS

Mon	Associate Pastor Search Committee (FR)	7 pm
Tues	Bazaar Workshop (MP) Yoga with a Spiritual Vein (SC) Staff Meeting (FR) Bazaar Workshop (MP)	9 am 9:30 am 11 am 7 pm
Wed	Chair Yoga (SC) Yoga with a Spiritual Vein (SC) Cherub Choir (FR) Jubilate Choir (CP) Youth Leadership (CP)	11 am 12:30 pm 4 7:30
Thurs	Chancel Ringers (RRB) Chancel Choir (CP) Yoga with a Spiritual Vein (SC)	6:30 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm
Fri	Yoga with a Spiritual Vein (SC)	9:30 am
Sat	Men's Church at the Train Station (CATS) - Flossmoor Station Restaurant	8 am

CALENDAR CODES

A2C	Acts2Crew (Rm. 10)	GS	Gathering Space	OAS	Oasis (Rm 11)	SPO	Sr. Pastor's Office
CP	Chapel	GE	Genesis Room	PA	Parlor	TR	Tower Room
CH	Community House	LB	Library	PEGs	Parent Education Groups	TP	Temple (Room 12)
CS	Creation Station (Rm. 15)	MPT	MasterPeace Theater (Rm. 14)	RRB	Rehearsal Room B	WMA	Women's & Men's Association
FR	Family Room	MPR	Multipurpose Room	SA	Sanctuary	WPS	Weekday Preschool
FH	Fellowship Hall	NU	Nursery	SC	Spirituality Center	YC	Youth Crossings

FROM FRED

As you will find when you read through the Narthex, at Flossmoor Community Church there are numerous ways to share in discipleship that nurtures our congregation and reaches out with compassion to the world around us. I encourage you to find out more about this by attending The Taste of FCC on the front lawn of our church after each worship service on FCC's Kick-Off Sunday on September 11th (please see the cover page of this edition of the Narthex). The Taste of FCC is a fellowship fair designed to explore the many opportunities there are to participate in ministry right here in our community of faith.

With the approach of our 2011-12 church year, I hope you will prayerfully consider your own commitment to ministry at FCC. I invite those who seek to be more involved to explore and discern where the Holy Spirit is leading you to serve God through the Christian life we share as a congregation. Likewise, I invite those who already are involved to welcome those who are seeking to join you in ministry.

To support the Christian life and ministry of FCC, Sunday morning worship and preaching will focus on different areas of ministry each month from September through December. These areas will be Christian Education in September, Outreach in October, Discipleship in November, and Worship in December.

As part of this focus, please feel free to send me any questions or suggestions you have about these four areas of ministry (flyon@fccfaithful.org). I will make sure questions/suggestions are addressed, and some ideas may make their way into sermons.

I look forward to 2011-12 being a year filled with growing together in our recognition of, and response to, the abiding presence of the risen Christ in our midst.

Godspeed and Peace,



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