

**We believe:** God is the source of life and all truth, and that we were lovingly created to live in relationship with him through Jesus. We believe the Bible is the Word of God and offers help and healing to people in every area of life including the spiritual, physical, emotional, mental, and relational.

Currently we meet downtown Dixon, Illinois and have an active online community. We started September 11th 2005 in a hotel conference room, then moved to a movie theater for about 3-1/2 years. We met in a former department store building downtown for 6 years, and we are now meeting in and renovating space in a downtown building (formerly known as the Ames Furniture Building) on 1st Street near KSB Hospital. We do not claim the space we meet in as “ours” or “sacred”, but rather see it as a neutral place we share with our community. We encourage you toward the life changing power of knowing Jesus and toward discovery of the joy in being a catalyst of His help and healing in the lives of others.

**What we do:** Lead in the discovery and application of God’s truth in every area of life.

### Getting To Know Us

LISTED BELOW IS OUR CHURCH STAFF. SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT LIVING WELL, OR ANY OF OUR MINISTRIES PLEASE CONTACT US. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO TALK WITH YOU.

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Now Live Streaming small groups and sermons on Living Well’s website.

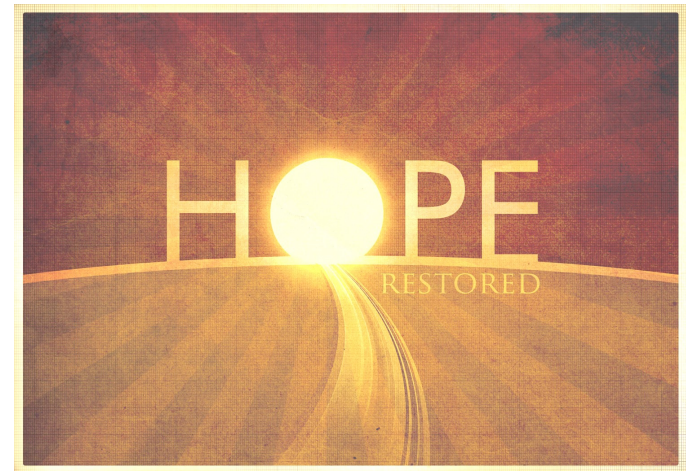
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May 8th, 2016

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*“Drink from the water I give” ~ Jesus*



Today’s Sermon: Now What!?!: Mary the Mother of Jesus  
By Pastor Trotter

Meeting Sunday Mornings

Downtown Dixon Mini-Mall

113 East First Street, Suite 130

Dixon, IL 61021

Small Groups—9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Friendship Café—10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Worship—10:30 a.m. to 11:45

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## Mission Statement

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## Words of Welcome

We gather to worship the Lord Jesus: Alpha and Omega, first and last, beginning and end (Revelation 22:13). Welcome, brothers and sisters!

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## Preparation for Worship

Loving God, you nurture the world with a mother's tender care. Wrap your arms around each one of us. Amen.

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## **Order of Service**

**May 8th, 2016**

Preservice music live: 10:25  
Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes  
Scripture Reading: Exodus 15:11-13  
Song: O Worship the King  
Song: Holy Holy Holy  
Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:22-24  
Song: The Unbelievable  
Pastoral Prayer: Jeanette Trotter  
Doxology  
Offering/Offertory: My Awesome Mom - video  
Syrian Crisis Video  
Sermon: Now What !?! - Mary the Mother of Jesus (Crisis in my Calling)  
Closing song: The Unbelievable  
Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Pastor Trotter 2 Corinthians 2:8-9

Greeters: Jay and Danielle  
Worship Team: Renata, Steve, Bill, Rob, Jeseña, John  
Friendship Café Leader(s): Stephanie Scott and Shelly Long  
Ushers: Jase, Jayden, and Jeseña Valdez  
Computer Tech: Brad Larson  
Sound Tech: Tod Carlock or Devin Scott  
LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes  
Counters: Pam Ellis and Deanna Carlock

My Take Away for Today



Weekly Ministry Leaders	
Infant Nursery Leader and Helpers:	Toddler Nursery Leader and Helpers:
Worship:	Worship: Lisa Janes
Small Group:	Small Group:
K'motion Small Group Leader:	Children's Worship Leader:
Next Week:	Next Week:
Pipeline Teen Small Group Leader:	Adult Small Group Leader:
Dan Long / Jay Valdez	Pastor Trotter
Next Week:	Next Week:

Coming Events

- **Men's group Sat. mornings @ 7:30 at John's Barbershop and here at the mini-mall**
  - **Next Church Board Meeting May 12th**
    - **Next Communion June 5th**

"The most critical need of the church at this moment is men, bold men, free men. The church must seek, in prayer and much humility, the coming again of men made of the stuff of which prophets and martyrs are made."

- A. W. Tozer

**~ Stewardship Update ~**

Totals for 5/1/16

Tithe: \$830.31

Total: \$830.31

Total for May: \$830.31

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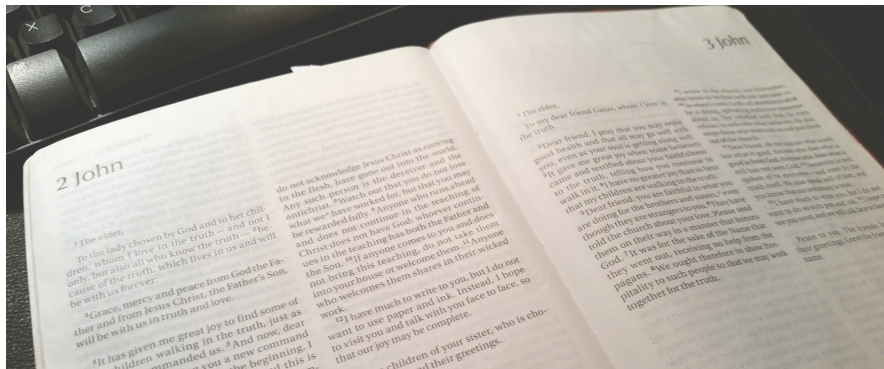
## Are You Overscheduled? Exhausted? Overwhelmed?

Simplify: Unclutter Your Soul starts Sunday, May 15th at 9:30a

In this four-week study, bestselling author Bill Hybels shares via video series his own story of the wake-up call that changed everything—and the steps he took to simplify his life before it was too late. You'll discover how to stop living at such a frenetic pace and begin charting a new course toward satisfaction, purpose, and significance. Join in this group study to discover the power of simplicity in your schedule, work, finances, relationships, and soul. Participant Guides (optional and cost \$12) can be ordered now by contacting our church office at 815-973-5981.

## New Sermon Series

Also on Sunday, May 15th Pastor John will be starting a new series called: the little letters



Often overlooked, the little letters of Titus, Philemon, 2nd and 3rd John and Jude offer us a unique opportunity to read them in their entirety, understanding their context and consequently come away with a much fuller understanding as to the original intent of the author and reason God included it in His Bible.

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Our online giving option is now active and ready to use on our church website. You can use option to give periodically (your out of checks, lol) or you can set it up to make regular periodic contributions. Thank you for your generous support of the ministries of Living Well!

## Expanded Lives

In a fascinating, kid-friendly science experiment, a bar of Ivory soap heated in a microwave writhes and expands into a unique, billowy shape. The change is due to Charles' Law, which describes how a gas, such as that contained in pockets inside a bar of Ivory, expands as its temperature increases. The soap can still be used as normal, though it's now fragile and flaky.

When the Holy Spirit enters us, we expand as well. Our Spirit-enlarged lives may seem misshapen to some, no longer conforming to the world's expectations. But our uniqueness reflects the creativity of our Triune God, who reveals himself to people in many different ways.

Our hearts expand and soften too, opening to other people's needs and concerns, while our God-created purpose remains: to be a force of love and care — of cleansing and renewal — in the world.

## Faith and Love

The two chief things are faith and love. Faith receives the good; love gives the good. Faith offers us God as our own; love gives us to our neighbor as his own.

—Martin Luther



## ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today – Now What!?!: Mary the Mother of Jesus

May 15th – the little letters – Titus

May 22nd – the little letters Philemon

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