

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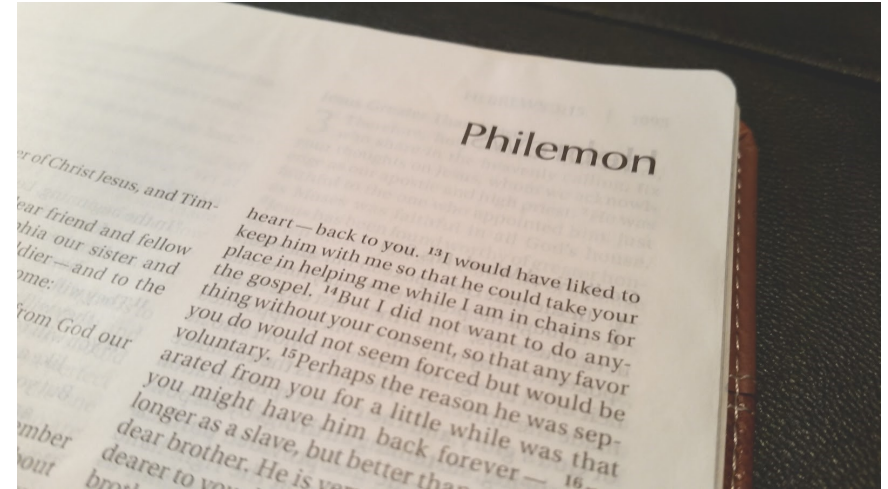
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Now Live Streaming small groups and sermons on Living Well’s website.

Go to www.livingwellchurch.org and click on the Livestream tab.



“Drink from the water I give” ~ Jesus



Today’s Sermon: the little letters - Philemon
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

Lead in the Discovery and Application of God's truth in Every Area of Life.

Words of Welcome

In the name of our creating, redeeming and empowering God, welcome to worship.

Preparation for Worship

Three-in-One, I praise you for the divine mystery of who you are, because if I fully understood you, you would not be God.

Order of Service

May 22nd, 2016

10:25 Pre-service music: The Name of the Lord (A Strong Tower)

Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes

Scripture Reading: Colossians 4:1

Song: Our God

Song: All Creatures of Our God and King / His Love Endures Forever

Scripture Reading: Romans 6:17-18

Song: Healer

Pastoral Prayer:

Doxology

Offering:

Sermon: the little letters - Philemon

Closing song: Our God

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Pastor Trotter

Greeters: Ella and Tina

Worship Team: Jeseña, Steve, Bill, John

Friendship Café Leader(s): Stephanie Scott and Shelly Long

Ushers: Jase, Jayden, and Jeseña Valdez

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis and Deanna Carlock

My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 7:30 at John's Barbershop and here at the mini-mall
 - Next Communion June 5th
 - Next Church Board Meeting June 9th
 - Celebrate Family Day, September 5th



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - the little letters Philemon
May 29th - the little letters 2 John
June 5th - the little letters 3 John
June 12th - the little letters Jude

Join us onsite, or via Live Stream @ livingwellchurch.org

Turn around and believe that the good news that we are loved is better than we ever dared hope, and that to believe in that good news, to live out of it and toward it, to be in love with that good news, is of all glad things in this world the gladdest thing of all.

—Frederick Buechner, The Clown in the Belfry

~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 5/8/16

Tithe: \$729

Water: \$20

Total: \$749

Total for May: \$2106.31

The Church of the Nazarene is a Protestant Christian church in the Wesleyan-Holiness tradition. Organized in 1908, the denomination is now home to about 2.3 million members worshipping in more than 29,000 local congregations in 159 world areas

A little more about who we are...

The Church of the Nazarene traces its anniversary date to 1908. Its organization was a marriage that, like every marriage, linked existing families and created a new one. As an expression of the holiness movement and its emphasis on the sanctified life, our founders came together to form one people. Utilizing evangelism, compassionate ministries, and education, their church went forth to become a people of many cultures and tongues.

Two central themes illuminate the Nazarene story. The first is "unity in holiness."

The spiritual vision of early Nazarenes was derived from the doctrinal core of John Wesley's preaching. These affirmations include justification by grace through faith, sanctification likewise by grace through faith, entire sanctification as an inheritance available to every Christian, and the witness of the Spirit to God's work in human lives. The holiness movement arose in the 1830s to promote these doctrines, especially entire sanctification.

"A mission to the world" is the second primary theme in the Nazarene story.

In 1908 there were churches in Canada and organized work in India, Cape Verde, and Japan, soon followed by work in Africa, Mexico, and China. Mergers in 1915 added congregations in the British Isles and work in Cuba, Central America, and South America. There were congregations in Syria and Palestine by 1922. As General Superintendent H. F. Reynolds advocated "a mission to the world," support for world evangelization became a distinguishing characteristic of Nazarene life. New technologies were utilized. The church began producing the "Showers of Blessing" radio program in the 1940s, followed by the Spanish broadcast "La Hora Nazarena" and later by broadcasts in other languages. Indigenous holiness churches in Australia and Italy united in the 1940s, others in Canada and Great Britain in the 1950s, and one in Nigeria in 1988.

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As the church grew culturally and linguistically diverse, it committed itself in 1980 to internationalization—a deliberate policy of being one church of congregations and districts worldwide, rather than splitting into national churches like earlier Protestant denominations. By the 2001 General Assembly, 42 percent of delegates spoke English as their second language or did not speak it at all. Today 65 percent of Nazarenes and over 80 percent of the church's 439 districts are outside the United States. An early system of colleges in North America and the British Isles has become a global network of institutions. Nazarenes support 14 liberal arts institutions in Africa, Brazil, Canada, Caribbean, Korea, and the United States, as well as five graduate seminaries, 31 undergraduate Bible/theological colleges, 2 nurses training colleges, and one education college worldwide.

For more information on who we are visit: www.nazarene.org and www.livingwellchurch.org

Procrastinators

A pastor waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but many cars were ahead of the pastor at the service station. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump.

"Sorry about the delay," said the young man. "Everyone seems to wait until the last minute to get ready for a long trip."

The pastor chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."



Not what I get, but what I give,
 this be the gauge by which I live.
 Not merely joys that come my way,
 but the help I give to those astray.
 Not the rewards of money and fame,
 but the loads I lift in mankind's name.
 This be the pay at the end of the day,
 not what I keep, but what I give away.

—Author unknown