

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.

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

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“Drink from the water I give” ~ Jesus



Today’s Sermon: Esther Goes Before the King - Esther 5-7
By Pastor Trotter

Meeting Sunday Mornings
Downtown Dixon Mini-Mall
116 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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Welcome to Living Well Church of the Nazarene

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Sermon Notes

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Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

Followers of Jesus, welcome to worship! Please greet the disciples worshipping near you.

Preparation for Worship

All the earth worships you, God — fields of wheat, summer rains, birds and woodland creatures, lakes and streams, sun and warm breezes. May we, too, praise you!

Order of Service

July 17th 2016

Welcome: Steve Scott Announcements: Lisa Janes

Scripture Reading: Psalms 97:1-6

Song: He Reigns

Song: Your Love Oh Lord

Scripture Reading: Psalms 36:5-6

Song: The Well

Song: You Deserve the Glory

Pastoral Prayer: Mike Janes

Offering: Video

Sermon: Esther Goes Before the King - Esther 5-7, Pastor Trotter

Closing song: Multiplied/ He Reign

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Revelation 22: 16-17

Greeters: Joe and Kathy Medema

Worship Team: Steve, Renata, Jeseña, Bill, John

Friendship Café Leader(s):

Ushers: Jase and Jayden Valdez

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock and/or Devin Scott

LiveStream Tech:

Counters:

My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Next Communion August 7th
 - Next Church Board Meeting August 11th
 - Celebrate Family Day, September 5th



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - Esther

July 24th - Esther

July 31st - Esther

August 7th - Esther

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

Citizens of Heaven

Keep yourself as a pilgrim and a stranger here in this world, as one to whom the world's business counts but little. Keep your heart free, and always lift it up to God.

—Thomas à Kempis

~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 7/10/16

Tithe: \$550

Total: \$550

Total for July: \$1,938

Missionary Support

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If you wish to support Jony and Amber's ministry, checks may be written to Amber Medema and given to Joe and Kathy. They will then deposit it into Amber's account. You can also communicate with Jony and Amber by email at the following email addresses:

Jony: boom_khon@hotmail.com

Amber: hey_amberff@hotmail.com

Church Announcements

Living Hell/Living Well Series Upcoming ,Staring August 14th. We are going to enlist your help once we get the video clips out and some flyers to go out. We also will have a few skits during this time and if you are interested in a little silent acting part we could use your talent and little bit of time. Please let me or Jeanette know if you would like to.

Work Night this Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Thank you for your dedication to getting our room prepared This Wednesday evening the work continues as we completely rearrange the Community Room this week. You are invited to not miss the joy of investing in the work of Jesus.



BGS Calls for Peace, Healing, Reconciliation—a Message from the Board of General Superintendents of the Church of the Nazarene

Recent global events remind us yet again that our world continues to be divided by many political, ethnic, racial, and cultural issues.

Horrific violence in places such as the Middle East, Belgium, Bangladesh, Turkey, and Louisiana, Minnesota, Florida, and Texas, USA, cast images of hatred that illustrate these divisions and lead to alienation, strife, and brokenness.

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Our call to stand against hatred and for peace has not changed since we first issued the following statement in 2014: 5

The prophet Isaiah had a vision of God's people traveling through a very difficult wilderness. Their road went through a desert with valleys, hills, curves, and rough spots. Isaiah 40:1 states, "Comfort, comfort my people, says your God." The prophet goes on to promise the coming of a Messiah who will care for us. He uses this powerful imagery: "He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart" (Isaiah 40:11, NIV).

The Father sent His Son to live among us and be Immanuel, "God with us." He came to provide the way for our salvation and reconciliation to God and fellow human beings. This gospel message is for all people and makes us one at the foot of the Cross. "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28, NIV). This declaration calls all followers of Christ to come together in love.

We are ambassadors of this gospel (2 Corinthians 5:20). In our world, we best reflect the example of Christ and the ones who live out the vision of Isaiah 40:1-11 when we:

Speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Mourn with those who mourn.

Comfort people wherever we find them.

Feel the pain of those who are hurting.

Seek to alleviate that pain whenever possible.

Be slow to speak and quick to listen to the positions of others.

Seek to understand the situations of others.

Show dignity and respect to everyone.

Break down walls that separate.

Build bridges that connect.

Follow in the footsteps of the Prince of Peace.

Extend grace and mercy to others as God has extended it to us.

Pray for wisdom and direction to better reflect the example of Christ to others.

It is our hopeful prayer that wherever there are Nazarenes, they will stand for peace, healing, and reconciliation.

Father, thank you for sending your Son into our divided world. Grant us the power of your Holy Spirit to be agents of support, comfort, peace, and healing. In Jesus' strong name we pray. Amen.

--Board of General Superintendents