

We believe God is the source of life and all truth and that we were lovingly created to live in relationship with Him. 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. We believe that all truth is God's truth and value relationships with all people including Agnostics, Atheists, adherents of non Christian faiths and followers of Jesus. We believe the church is people not property. Currently we meet in the former Ames Furniture Building downtown Dixon IL., and have an active online community. We started Sept .11th 2005 in a hotel conference room, have held services in a movie theater, a cafe and have now moved to our current location in June of 2016. 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 to experiencing the joy of being a catalyst of His help and healing in the lives of others.

What we do: Living Well Church exists to lead in the discovery and application of God's truth for every area of life. Seeking to live out the value God places on relationships in practical ways, we provide our community space for life skills training, relationship building and fun.

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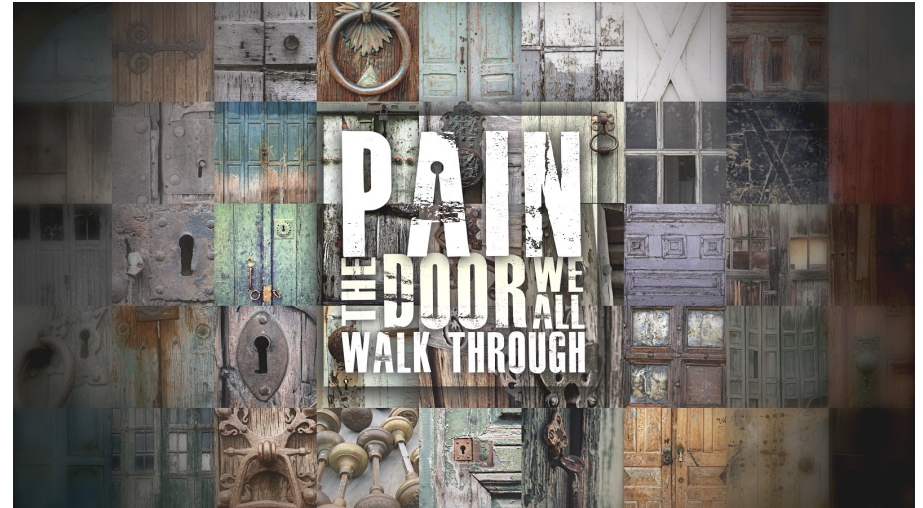
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Now Live Streaming small groups and sermons on Living Well's website.

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



"Drink from the water I give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: **The Living Hell of Hardship without Hope**
By Pastor Trotter, Jeanette 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

Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, welcome to worship at Living Well Church. May we rejoice in all our human diversity as we celebrate our oneness as God's children.

Preparation for Worship

Thank you, Lord, for the "great cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1, NIV) that surrounds us, teaching about your love and modeling the faith for us.

Order of Service

August 14th 2016

Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes

Scripture Reading: Psalms 18:1-2

Song: Song of Hope

Song: The Well

Scripture Reading: Psalms 6:2-4

Prayer: Jeanette

Creative Team - Drama (narration between Jesus and the Devil)

Sermon: The Living Hell of Hardship without Hope Pastor John, Jeanette

Closing song: I Am New or I Have Decided

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Psalms 19:8

(if you would like to support the ministries of Living Well there is a donation box located near the exit, thank you for your support)

Greeters: Steve and Stephanie Scott

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

Friendship Café Leader(s): Jeanette, Danielle, and Tracy

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock and/or Devin Scott

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanna Carlock

← My Take Away for Today →

Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Next Communion September 4th
 - Next Church Board Meeting September 8th
 - Celebrate Family Day, September 5th



ON THE SERMON HORIZON

Today - The Living Hell of Hardship Without Hope
August 21st - The Living Hell of Hunger Without Humility
August 28th - The Living Hell of Hatred
September 4th - The Living Hell of Having it All

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

All Aboard!

When a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don't throw away the ticket and jump off. You sit still and trust the engineer.

—Corrie ten Boom



~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 8/7/16

Tithe: \$826

Carpet Cleaning: \$100

Total: \$926

Total for July: \$926

The 11th Annual Celebrate Family Day Picnic is only 6 weeks away:

This is a time to relax and have fun hanging out with family and friends. We started this tradition to reminisce over ministries Living Well was able to provide throughout the year. We also encourage everyone to invite extended family and friends so we can get to know each other better in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

The Celebration is held on Labor Day. This year it is September 5, 2016 from 7:00am-4:00pm at the Lowell Park - Lion's Club Shelter - We have lovingly named it 'The pavilion down by the river.'

Some of the activities for the day:



7:00am - Men's Breakfast

8:30am - Canoeing - Canoes leave from Grand Detour

11:00am - Treasure Hunt

12:00pm - Carry in Picnic

1:00pm - 9 Square in the Air and other yard games

3:00pm - Hang out with your awesome friends



The Ellis' are now members of Living Well as a result of being invited to Celebrate Family Day by the Youngs. Don't forget to invite your friends/family

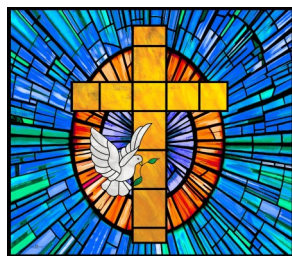
Beautiful Brokenness

We are bodies of broken bones. I guess I'd always known but never fully considered that being broken is what makes us human. We all have our reasons. Sometimes we're fractured by the choices we make; sometimes we're shattered by things we would never have chosen.

But our brokenness is also the source of our common humanity, the basis for our shared search for comfort, meaning and healing. Our shared vulnerability and imperfection nurtures and sustains our capacity for compassion.

—Bryan Stevenson, Just Mercy

He heals the brokenhearted and bandages
up their wounds - Psalm 147:3



From Living Hell, to Living Well Sermon Series

The real life impact of current events happening in our world seem to be closer to home than ever before. Long avoided, hard questions are breaking out on social media, leaving many grasping for real of truth as pop authors seek to frame the deep problems we face in a neat picture with some clever text. In the wake of these witty memes (seen as profoundly witty by some and at the same time bias, prejudice and hate filled by others) we wonder how if there is really ever going to be a winner in this clash of culture and values. The From Living Hell to Well Series, scheduled to be presented here at the Dixon Living Well Community Place on Sundays at 10:30 through Sept 11th, provides a safe format to contemplate and seek real answers to these questions:

- Today - The Living Hell of Hardship without Hope,
- August 21st - The Living Hell of Hunger without Humility,
- August 28th - The Living Hell of Hatred,
- September 4th - The Living Hell of Having it All
- September 11th - The Living Well of Jesus—A Different Drink

We all know at least one person who needs to hear this sermon series. Won't you invest into that relationship by inviting them to join you at church next Sunday?

Christian Symbol—Sevenfold Flame

Tongues of fire are a common symbol of the Holy Spirit, based on the Pentecost events of Acts 2. However, when seven flames are depicted together, they also represent the seven gifts of the Spirit as named in Isaiah 11:2-3: wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge, fear of the Lord and delight in the fear of the Lord (sometimes paraphrased "joy in the Lord's presence").

