### About Living Well Church

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 QUES-TIONS ABOUT LIVING WELL, OR ANY OF OUR MINISTRIES PLEASE CON-TACT 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.



"Drink from the water I give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: Jeremiah 29:11 By Bill Young

Meeting Sunday Mornings Downtown Dixon 116 East First Street 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

The Lord has invited us here. All are welcome! May you be blessed in your time here this day

## Preparation for Worship

Fall is such a mix of warmth and chill, brilliant colors and drab days. In all of life's ups and downs, Jesus, may we feel you as close as a warm sweater. Amen.

#### **Order of Service**

October 16th 2016

Preservice music: One True God Welcome and Announcements: Scripture Reading: Romans 5:2-5

Song: God With Us Song: I Am New

Scripture Reading: Psalm 28:6-8 Song: Your Love, Oh Lord Pastoral Prayer: Bill Young

Offering:

Sermon: Jeremiah 29:11 Bill Young

Closing song: Healer

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Hebrews 10:23-25

Greeters: Lisa Janes and Ella Mahnke Ushers: Jace and Jayden Valdez

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

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

Computer Tech: Skylar Scott Sound Tech: Devin Scott LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis and Deanna Carlock

My Take Away for Today

Sermon Notes

# **Coming Events**

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
- Pastor John and Jeanette on vacation Oct. 9th Oct. 23rd
  - Next Communion November 6th
  - Next Church Board Meeting November 10th
- Dixon Community Praise Night November 13th 6:30pm
  - Dixon's Annual Christmas Walk December 2nd



#### ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - Bill Young preaches October 23rd - Philippians 1:1-11 Gratitude

October 30th - Philippians 1:12-30 Unity

November 6th - Philippians 2:1-18 Humility

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

"Hope itself is like a star- not to be seen in the sunshine of prosperity, and only to be discovered in the night of adversity."

- Charles H. Spurgeon

# ~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 10/9/16

Tithe: \$500

Total: \$500

Total for September: \$1207.50

October 23rd a rejuvenated Pastor Trotter is going to start a 6 week study of the book of Philippians. The book of Philippians was written by the Apostle Paul from Rome during the two years he spent there waiting for his case to be heard before Nero, who was Caesar at that time. The Book has several themes. Paul writes to encourage the Philippians and to express his gratitude for the concern they demonstrated to him.

# Community Praise Night 2016

Community Praise Night 2016 will be held at Dixon High School on Sunday, November 13th at 6:30pm. Doors open at 5:30pm. This is a community wide event for all churches to come together to worship as



# **Daily Tasks**

When I awoke this morning, I asked, "How shall I live this day?" The answers were all around me:

The fan said, "Keep your cool."
The ceiling said, "Aim high."
The window said, "Look outside yourself."
The clock said, "Every minute is precious."
The calendar said, "Stay up to date."
The door said, "Take advantage of opportunity."
The floor said, "Kneel down and pray."

# **Alabaster Offering**

## History of the Alabaster Offering

In 1948, Rev. Elizabeth Vennum, Global Council member, was asked to think and pray about a challenging project for NMI. Rev. Vennum knew if God wanted the project to take place, He would provide the plan. On the return trip from Kansas City, God gave her His plan of giving "love" gifts. It was modeled after the sacrifice of the woman who anointed Jesus' head with expensive perfume poured from an alabaster jar (Matthew 26:6-13).



At the Global NMI Council meeting in 1949, Mrs. Vennum told of the Alabaster plan God had given her. The Council unanimously adopted the plan, and the first offering was received in 1949.

The Board of General Superintendents approved the plan for Alabaster funds to be used exclusively for buildings and propert-ies in cross-cultural ministries.

Now, more than 60 years later, Alabaster is still strong, having provided more than 9,000 projects since 1949. Faithful Nazarenes around the world have given over \$100 million dollars for this much-needed ministry.

Source: http://nmi.nazarene.org/10167/



## I'm Clean!

Church reformer Martin Luther once had a nightmare about being judged by the devil. From a scroll, Satan was reading all the sins Luther had ever committed.

"What hope of heaven do you have as a miserable sinner?" the devil accused.

Feeling despondent, Luther remembered the cross. "There's one entry which thou hast not made, Satan," he said.



When the devil inquired about it, Luther responded confidently: "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7, KJV).

Praise God that he sent Jesus to be our Deliverer (Psalm 18:2) so we are no longer held hostage by Satan's accusations!