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 <u>www.livingwellchurch.org</u> and click on the Livestream tab.



"Drink from the water I give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: Grateful Living By Pastor Trotter

> 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 **815 973-5981**

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Welcome to Living Well Church of the Nazarene

Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

"How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! ... [our hearts and our] flesh sing for joy to the living God" (Psalm 84:1-2, NRSV). Welcome, friends, as we gather in praise.

Preparation for Worship

We gather to pray and praise you, Lord, and to hear your Word to us. May we be active participants — not mere spectators — in worship today.

Order of Service

October 23rd 2016

Preservice music: Friend of God Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes Scripture Reading: Psalms 66:1-2 Song: My Savior Lives Song: Pour Out My Heart Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:2-6 Song: My Faith Has Found a Resting Place Pastoral Prayer: Jeanette Trotter Offering/Offeratory: Sermon: Grateful Living Pastor Trotter Closing song: My Savior Lives or I'm Forever Grateful Doxology Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Colossians 3:15-17

Greeters: Deb and Devon Jensen Ushers: Jace and Jayden Valdez Worship Team: Steve, Rob, Renata, Jeseña, Carter, Bill Friendship Café Leader(s): Stephanie Scott and Shelly Long Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: Devin LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis and Deanna Carlock My Take Away for Today

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Sermon Notes

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Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
- Women's Group Wednesday's at 6:30pm Community Room
 - 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
 - Spark Retreat for Children's Leaders March 2-4, 2017
 - General Assembly June 13-21, 2017

ON THE SERMON HORIZON

Today - Philippians 1:1-11 Gratitude

October 30th - Philippians 1:12-30 Unity

November 6th - Philippians 2:1-18 Humility

November 13th - Philippians 2:19-30 Co-workers

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

"Autumn ... the year's last, loveliest smile."

—William Cullen Bryant

~ Stewardship Update ~ Totals for 10/16/16 Tithe: \$776 Water: \$40 Total: \$816 Total for September: \$2023.50 3

Rev Scott Sherwood our District Superintendent will be joining us on A November 6th. He will also be bringing the message that morning. Please be in prayer for Scott and as God prepares our hearts to hear His Word through Rev Sherwood and that all of us will be ready to step into the next steps God has for us.

Audience of One will be sharing a Christmas Musical Program on Dec 25th Christmas Day! This would be a great opportunity to make plans with your extended family to attend this Christmas musical on that morning as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Thanksgiving Offering for World Evangelism will be received on November 27th. Please pray and plan now as we express our thanks to God for His work in us and give financially to share the Good News with world.



He's Everywhere

A mother asked her little boy to please get the broom from the back porch. "But it's dark out there!" he protested.

"Don't be scared," Mom said. "Jesus is out there. He'll take care of you." When the child looked skeptical, his mother continued, "Jesus is everywhere. You'll be safe."

After a moment, the boy went to the back door and cracked it open. Peering into the dark, he called, "Jesus, if you're out there, will you please hand me the broom?"

Spark 2017

Spark is a 3 day retreat for Children's Directors, Pastors, Leaders, and Team Members that concentrates on equipping, encouraging, and connecting local children's leader and churches. The retreat will be held Thursday, March 2 – Saturday, March 4, 2017 at Shiloh Park in Marion, Indiana. Cost to attend is \$80 if registered by February 13th and \$100 after February 13th.. For more information, or to register visit http://equiptoengage.org/

General Assembly 2017

The Board of General Superintendents announced that the theme for the Church of the Nazarene's General Assembly and Conventions next summer will be "One Body, One Spirit, One Hope."

The event will be held June 21-30 in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.

"After a lot of prayerful discussion, we wanted to emphasize both the oneness of our global church and the diversity of our church," said David A. Busic, chair of the BGS. "While we celebrate our diversity, we know that what unifies us is greater than our differences.

"There's a difference between unity and uniformity. Uniformity is everybody has to be alike and act alike. For us, that's not the best expression of the church as a body. The church is unified — with all of our differences — around one Lord, and so our theme is 'One Body, One Spirit, One Hope.'"

General Assembly is the "supreme doctrine-formulating, lawmaking, and elective authority of the Church of the Nazarene" (Manual, 300). The Assembly, conventions (Nazarene Missions International, Nazarene Youth International, and Sunday School and Discipleship Ministries International), and additional activities bring Nazarenes from every world region together for a time of business, celebration, and worship.

How awesome would it be to worship together with Nazarenes from all over the globe. Visit http://ga2017.com/ for more information

Discipleship Tool

Discipleship is important in the Nazarene Church. It is part of it core. The mission of the Church of the Nazarene is: To make Christ-like disciples in the

nations. If you attend any Northwest Illinois District events you will recognize it as a recurring theme. Stan Toler and Louie Bustle have written a book titled Each One Disciple One - A Complete Strategy for Effective Discipleship. The book is a complete resource designed to introduce new Christians to the essentials of the Christian life. The book is a valuable tool for new Christians, or more mature Christians looking to disciple new Christians. The book can be purchased at Nazarene Publishing House at https://www.nph.com/ nphweb/html/nph/index.jsp?nid=ban

