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: Stones too Big to Budge By Pastor John Trotter

Downtown Dixon 116 East First Street Dixon, Il. 61021

## **Sunday Mornings**

Small Groups—9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Friendship Café—10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Worship—11:00 a.m. to 12:00

## Wednesday Evenings Every Other Week

Prayer Time—7pm

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#### Mission Statement

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

#### Words of Welcome

# Alleluia! Christ is risen!

#### **Order of Service**

**April 16th 2017** 

Song: Strong in Us Welcome: Lisa Janes

Call to Worship: Exodus 15:2, Renata Song: Because He Lives (Amen) Scripture Reading: Luke 4:18, Anna

Song: Forever

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Offering: including Easter Offering for World Evangelism

Teen Drama: The Life of Christ

Sermon: Stones too Big to Budge, Pastor Trotter

Closing song: Reprise

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: 2nd Peter 1:16-17 Steve Scott

Greeters: Tina and Ella

Ushers: Jace and Jayden Valdez

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

Friendship Café Leader(s): Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: Devin Scott Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

#### Preparation for Worship

Amid candy, egg hunts and bunnies, may we know — and help our children know — the true joy of Easter: Jesus' resurrection!

My Take Away for Today

Sermon Notes

## **Coming Events**

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
  - April 22nd Ladies Day at Olivet
    - May 7th Next Communion
  - May 11th Next Church Board Meeting
- June 13-21, 2017 General Assembly in Indianapolis
- July 5-8 Kids and Pre-Teen Camp Lake Williamson
  - July 24-28 Teen Camp Lake Williamson
  - September 30th Team Day at Pekin First

"We have not the reason to despair, quite simply because Christ has risen."

-Richard John Neuhau



## ~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 4/9/17

Tithe: \$1251

Water: \$20

Total: \$1271

Total for April: \$2402

Discipleship 2017 – Begins this Wednesday, April 19th at 7pm at Lost Lake 4 Church

To be good stewards of time and resources Pastor John and Jeanette will lead Discipleship Training alternating every other Wednesday at Lost Lake and Living Well. Training will begin April 19th and end August 30th with a party.

- Wednesday's 7:00pm with Pastor John and Jeanette, beginning April 19th
- Saturday's 6:30am at John's Barber Shop in Polo with Pastor John, beginning April 22nd
- Sunday's 9:30am at Living Well with Bill Young, beginning April 23rd
- Sunday's 5:00pm at Lost Lake with Greg Langeler, beginning April 23rd
- Tuesday's 12:00pm at Jeanette's Counseling Office in Dixon with Jeanette, beginning April 25th

### Wednesday's 7pm – Discipleship Training Schedule:

DATE	CHURCH	WEEK	LESSON
April 19th	Lost Lake	Intro	Intro to Discipleship
April 26th	Living Well	#1	Pursuing Holiness
May 3rd	Lost Lake	#2	Private Worship
May 10th	Living Well	#3	Public Worship
May 17th	Lost Lake	#4	Observing the Sacraments
May 24th	Living Well	#5	Witnessing
May 31st	Lost Lake	#6	Discipling Other Believers
June 7th	Living Well	#7	Stewardship
June 14th	Lost Lake	#8	Church Membership
June 21st	Living Well	#9	Casting the Vision
June 28th	Lost Lake	#10	Develop Intentional Relationships
July 5th	Living Well	#11	Identifying Spiritual Understanding
July 12th	Lost Lake	#12	Supply a Support System
July 19th	Living Well	#13	Contact Regarding Spiritual Progress
July 26th	Lost Lake	#14	Inc. into Life and Ministry of Church
August 2nd	Living Well	#15	Pray Daily for Spiritual Growth
August 9th	Lost Lake	#16	Look for Spiritual Gifts
August 16th	Living Well	#17	Enlist in Ministry
August 23rd	Lost Lake	#18	Prayer Cells
August 30th	Living Well	#19	Commitments Party

## Children's Ministry Dream Session

May 23, 2017 at 7:00pm-8:30pm At Living Well

Anyone who has ever worked with children or would like to work with children is invited. We will be looking at ideas of how to structure Children's Worship and Small Groups in our new space. The hope is to have 4 Dream Sessions (1 a month finishing in August) to plan and prepare for a fully staffed nursery and children's ministry by Fall. Come with ideas and dreams to help us care for our children.

If you would like more information talk with Jeanette.

#### Easter's Dawn

On the third day, the friends of Christ coming at daybreak ... found the grave empty and the stone rolled away. In varying ways they realized the new wonder; but even they hardly realized that the world had died in the night. What they were looking at was the first day of a new creation, with a new heaven and a new earth; and in a semblance of the gardener, God walked again in the garden, in the cool not of the evening but of the dawn.

-G.K. Chesterton

## Curing vs. Healing

In We Know How This Ends (Univ. of Minnesota Press), Bruce Kramer writes about "living while dying" from Lou Gehrig's disease. While not denying his impending death, Kramer focuses on getting as much out of life as possible. Part of that involves the following distinction:

"Know the difference between curing and healing," he writes. "Curing implies that things will be brought back to the way they were. ... Expecting a cure will only result in frustration and disappointment. But healing can take place."

In Scripture, curing and healing are generally used interchangeably, yet one can happen without the other. We know people with disease or disability whose spirits are vibrant and faithful. Though they haven't been cured, their lives are marked by God's healing touch. Even in the Gospels, Jesus' curing of ailments was often a sign of his greater healing: sins forgiven, community restored, faith embraced.

For what have you prayed for a cure? Might healing be the greater need?