#### 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.

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# "Drink from the water | give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: Viewpoint (What I Think I See) 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

Prayer Time—6:30pm Discipleship Training 2017—7:00pm (At Lost Lake this week)

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## <sup>2</sup> 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

"All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!" (Psalm 145:10, ESV). Indeed, we gather to praise and bless the Lord. Welcome.

#### **Order of Service**

July 9th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: Psalm 113 :1-3, Lisa Janes Song: Meet with Me Song: At Calvary Scripture Reading: Joshua 1:9 Song: Holy Spirit Pastoral Prayer: Isaiah 31:13-14 Offering: Video: Baptism Sermon: Viewpoint (What I Think I See), Mark 6:45-56, Pastor Trotter Closing Song: Christ is Enough (song of the month) Doxology Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: James 5:13-17, Steve Scott

Greeters: Ushers: Jace and Jayden Valdez Worship Team: Steve, Renata, Jeseña, Carter, Bill Friendship Café Leader(s): Shelly Long, Stephanie Scott Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: Devin Scott Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

Preparation for Worship

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28, NRSV). Thank you, Jesus, for this loving promise.

My Take Away for Today

#### Sermon Notes

# **Coming Events**

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
  - July 13 Next Church Board Meeting
  - July 24-28 Teen Camp Lake Williamson
    - August 6th Next Communion
    - September 4th Celebrate Family Day
  - September 22-24 No Limits Discipleship Retreat
    - September 30th Team Day at Pekin First

"When all other doors in life are closed to us, Jesus will be for us the ever-open door. ... To call any situation hopeless is to shut the door on God."

-Anthony Coniaris

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## Bible Quiz

What is Gideon doing when the angel of the Lord appears to him with God's call to lead Israel's fight against the Midianites?

A. Threshing wheatB. Harvesting grapesC. Keeping sheepD. Making a sacrifice to the Lord



Answer on bottom of page 6



# ~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 7/2/17 Tithe: \$970 Water: \$20 Total: \$990 Total for July: \$990

### **Discipleship Training 2017**

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. The training is also offered on Saturdays, Sundays, and Tuesdays at the times and places listed below.

- Wednesday's 7:00pm with Pastor John and Jeanette, Follow **Discipleship Training Schedule** below
- 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
- Sunday's 5:00pm at Lost Lake with Greg Langeler
- Tuesday's 12:00pm at Jeanette's Counseling Office in Dixon with Jeanette

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DATE	CHURCH	WEEK	LESSON
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

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

# A Night in Africa At Sterling Nazarene

Saturday, July 15th, NWIL Lincoln Highway Zone Welcomes Pastor Ermias Choliye to Sterling First Church of the Nazarene. Born in Ethiopia Ermias and his wife Mulu were called to ministry and joined Nazarene church in 1998. In 2004 Ermias became one of the first National District Superintendents in Ethiopia. Ermias, Mulu, and their 3 teenage sons now serve the Horn of Africa Region as Mission Field Strategy Coordinator. Menu: BBQ Pulled Pork, Salads, Drink & Dessert Dinner and Fellowship at 5 pm Worship and message from Africa 6 pm. Joining us for dinner please RSVP by July 14 Register www.sterlingnaz.com 815-625-0864

# A Pilgrim's Progress

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In A Million Steps, Kurt Koontz describes his month-long pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago ("Way of St. James"), a 490-mile route from southern France through northern Spain. Since the ninth century, millions have undertaken this challenging trek.

As Koontz hiked downhill one morning, he was awed by a gorgeous sunrise. "The path was so steep," he writes, "that I could descend a bit and relive the sunrise over and over. I took a gazillion photos and must have looked back at least 40 times." Yet the experience made Koontz realize that "going forward is difficult when you are always looking backward." We can't dwell on the past so completely that our progress and growth are impeded.

Jesus says, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God" (Luke 9:62, NRSV). As we walk the path of faith, may we give thanks for God's past gifts while focusing on Jesus, who leads us ever forward.

What are you holding onto from your past that is preventing real spiritual growth and a closer relationship with God?

# <u>Our Good God</u>

For the love of God is broader than the measure of man's mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we should take him at his word; and our life would be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

-Frederick W. Faber

## A Stranger in Your Neighborhood

If there's a stranger in your neighborhood today, better check up on him; he may need a friend. If he's still a stranger tomorrow, better check up on your neighborhood. —Burton Hillis in Better Homes & Gardens

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