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.

Lead Pastor John Trotter 815 973-5981 jptlivingwell@gmail.com Outreach/Church Planting Pastor Nathan Rodehaver 815 973-1174 <u>nsrodehaver@gmail.com</u>

Admin/Small Groups/Connect Jeanette Trotter 815 973-5982 jeanettetrotter@gmail.com

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 | give" ~ Jesus

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Today's Sermon: Trusting God: Even When My Plan Seems Good (Matthew 1:18-25) 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 Service—7pm

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Dec. 10th, 2017

2 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

A blessed Advent to all! Welcome to worship as we prepare for Jesus' birth and second coming.

Order of Service

December 10th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: **Psalm 13:5** Lisa Janes Song: Victory in Jesus Song: Famous One Scripture Reading: **Proverbs 3:5-6** Song: Leave it There Pastoral Prayer: Lisa Janes Offering: Sermon: Trusting God: Even When My Plan Seems Good (Matthew 1:18-25) Closing Oh Come, All Ye Faithful Announcements: Jeanette Doxology Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Tracy Young and Tina Maldonado Ushers: Anthony and Jase Worship Team: Bill, AmyJo, Alyssa, Carter, Steve Frindship Café Leader(s): Computer Brad Larson Sound Tech: Devin Scott Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis, TBD

Preparation for Worship

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD!" (Isaiah 40:3, NRSV). May we also prepare our hearts for the Messiah's coming. My Take Away for Today

Sermon Notes

Coming Events

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- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Prayer Service 7:00pm on Wednesday nights
 - December 14th Open House at the Trotters 6-8pm
 - January 7th Next Communion

The Perfect Gift

Do you stress about finding just the right gift for everyone on your Christmas list? Does it make the season more a hassle than a joy? Pastor Mike Slaughter reminds us that Christmas isn't about perfect presents for people, as if it were their birthday — or ours. Christmas is about the perfect presence of Immanuel, God with us, through the birth of Jesus; it's his birthday, after all!

In Christmas Is Not Your Birthday (Abingdon), Slaughter writes, "How funny that it can be so hard to find gifts that will please certain family members or friends — the people who seem to have everything — and yet it is so clear what the Lord of lords and King of kings wants for his birthday. God wants you — your time, your talent and your treasure — used in service to others."





Worship the Lord in Giving

Totals for 12/3/17

Tithe: \$1395.01 Water: \$22 Total: \$1417.01

Total for November: \$3767.63

Christmas Open House at the Trotter's

Thursday Night December 14th 6-8p. Put it on your calendar now.

Ladies Breakfast

Ladies Breakfast Saturday, December 16th at Lost Lake - bring already prepared food, like yogurt, rolls muffins, fruit. We will have a short devotional and then put together birthday kits for the food pantry after breakfast.

Tech Upgrades for Christmas!!!!

We are ready for several technical upgrades.

- Necessary now Main Computer to programs during worship \$550
- Necessary as soon as possible Flat screen TV for front of Church, monitors (nursery and platform) \$1000
- Necessary sooner rather than later Computer for Live Streaming and Switch box to Transition between cameras / necessary computer software \$2000

These special needs can be given to (in addition to our regular giving), by writing a separate check and placing (tech upgrades) in the memo of your check.

New Ministry Partnership

The Well will be starting soon on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

This new ministry is a partnership with KSB for us to serve as a distribution point for food to the community. We will be setting up a schedule of workers and establishing a task list. Please see Tracy Young to see how you can be involved.



"Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful." —Norman Vincent Peale



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The God of Re (creator and painter of light)



Jan 7th—God Renews and Remembers (Genesis 8:1) - Noah



Jan 14th—God Refuses (Ten Commandments)



Jan 21st-God Refills 2 Kings 4:1-4 - Elijah



Jan 28th—God Rebuilds and Repairs- Nehemiah



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