Jan. 7th, 2017

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 | give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: God of Re...God Remembers (Genesis 8:1) 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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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

Happy New Year! As we worship God together, let us pray for a fruitful year of ministry to the glory of **His** name.

Order of Service

January 7th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: Psalm 13:5-6 Lisa Janes

Song: In the Hands of God

Song: This I Believe

Scripture Reading: Mark 4:41 Song: Holy Spirit Rain Down Pastoral Prayer: Doug Kindle Offering: Special Music, Lisa Janes

Sermon: God of Re...God Remembers Genesis 8:1 by Pastor Trotter

Communion: Song: So Will I

Closing / Announcements: Jeanette Trotter Isaiah 49:15-16

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Alberto Valdez, Deb Jensen Ushers: Anthony Torres, Jace Valdez

Worship Team: Bill, Alyssa, AmyJo, Carter, Steve

Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle Morning Worship, Renee Kindle

Frindship Café Leader(s): Computer Brad Larson

Sound Tech:

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, ?

Preparation for Worship

One week into the new year, Lord, we thank you for walking with us through all time and eternity.

Sermon Notes

My Take Away for Today

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Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Prayer Service 7:00pm on Wednesday nights
 - January 11th Next Church Board Meeting
 - February 4th Next Communion
 - February 18th Church Board Elections
 - April 6-7 District Assembly

Afraid of the Dark

A little boy was afraid of the dark. One night his mother told him to go out to the back porch and bring her the broom. The little boy turned to his mother and said, "Mama, I don't want to go out there. It's dark."

The mother smiled reassuringly at her son. "You don't have to be afraid of the dark," she explained. "Jesus is out there. He'll look after you and protect you."

The little boy looked at his mother real hard and asked, "Are you sure he's out there?" "Yes, I 'm sure. He is everywhere, and he is always ready to help you when you need him," she said.

The little boy thought about that for a minute and then went to the back door and cracked it a little. Peering out into the darkness, he called, "Jesus? If you're out there, would you please hand me the broom?

- Author Unknown -

Totals for 12/31/17

Tithe: \$3525

Easy Tithe (Online): \$484.22

Water: \$45

Tech: \$8

Total: \$4062.22

Total for December: \$9700.23

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2416

Three Questions

There's a tale of a traveling priest who was confronted by a soldier in prerevolutionary Russia. Rifle in hand, the soldier barked, "Who are you? Where are you going? Why are you going there?"

Instead of answering, the priest asked how much the soldier was paid — and offered double if the soldier would challenge him with those three questions each day as he passed by.

Those three important questions can guide us on our journey through the brandnew year ahead. For Christians, thankfully, the answers are clear:

- Who are you? "I'm a child of God!"
- Where are you going? "I'm going out into the world!"
- Why are you going there? "I'm going out of love for Jesus, who died for me!"

Place these questions and answers in a spot where you can see them each day. Then go forward confidently, knowing "whose" you are and what your purpose is.



A Penguin "Parable"

During storms, emperor penguins huddle for warmth, taking turns at the center and on the perimeter of the group. While incubating eggs, up to 6,000 male penguins have been observed clustering for shelter against the harsh Antarctic winter. Partially grown chicks gather in protective "crèches" (French for "cribs"); often surrounded by a colony of adults, these groupings ward off predators and cold.

In stormy times, humans also need supportive groups; we can't survive alone. A church family allows us to take turns giving and receiving care. Amid social upheaval, injustice, illness, natural disaster and any loss or crisis, God invites us to gather for protection and warmth. In the church community, we support and strengthen one another and are empowered to go out again into the less-sheltered world.





Christian Symbol

XPICTOC - This set of letters spells "Christ" in Greek. It may be written using the Roman alphabet (from which the English alphabet descended), but is also often presented in Greek characters, as shown here.



Friendship Café

Do you like the sweet snacks, fresh fruit, hot coffee, and other treats after small groups on Sunday mornings? We value and appreciate the work of the Café leaders and those who help them out by bringing in goodies each week. This is an often overlooked, but important, ministry of Living Well. Don't think so? Think about it, when a new visitor comes into the church what is one of the first things people say to them, after the initial introduction. They point them to the Friendship Cafe and hot coffee. The Café is potentially one of the first contacts visitors have with the ministries of Living Well. If you get a chance let these people know you appreciate their work and ask them if there is anything you can do to help them out.



"Our growth has been impressive...

It wasn't too long ago when our small group was just an itty bitty group."