

## 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 QUESTIONS ABOUT LIVING WELL, OR ANY OF OUR MINISTRIES PLEASE CONTACT US. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO TALK WITH YOU.

#### **Lead Pastor**

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Now Live Streaming small groups and sermons on Living Well's website. Go to [www.livingwellchurch.org](http://www.livingwellchurch.org) and click on the Livestream tab.



*"Drink from the water / give" ~ Jesus*



**Today's Sermon: God of Re...God Restores, Joel 2:25**  
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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Mission Statement

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Words of Welcome

The psalmist declares: "How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious" (Psalm 147:1, NRSV). So then, let us worship.

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**Order of Service**

**February 4th, 2018**

Welcome/Call to Worship: **2 Kings 17 : 38-39** Lisa Janes

Song: Move

Song: Starry Night

Scripture Reading: **Psalm 23:3**

Song: By His Wounds

Pastoral Prayer: Amy Jo Higgins

Offering:

Sermon: God of Re...God Restores, **Joel 2:25** Pastor Trotter

Communion

Song: Your Love Never Fails

Closing / Announcements: Jeanette Trotter **Amos 9:14**

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Tina Maldonado

Ushers: Anthony Torres and Jace Valdez

Worship Team: Bill, Alyssa, Amy jo, Carter, Steve, Rob

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

Frindship Café Leader(s):

Computer: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, ?

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Preparation for Worship

God, I bring all that I am today before you. Thank you for always welcoming me with open arms.

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My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
  - Prayer Service - 7:00pm on Wednesday nights
  - February 8th - Next Church Board Meeting
  - February 18th - Church Board Elections
    - March 4th - Next Communion
    - April 6-7 - District Assembly

Meeting Need

“My neighbor’s material needs are my spiritual needs,” said 19th-century theologian Israel Salanter. In other words, when someone else suffers hunger and poverty, when people endure a natural disaster and lack shelter, when another human being is sick or injured — in all such cases, God calls us to action. And God knows that whatever we do to meet those material needs will meet our spiritual needs at the same time.

It might be our spiritual need to expand our horizons into neighborhoods, cultures or situations where we’re uncomfortable. We might need to grow in love for people different from us. By serving others, we might find our own sagging spirits nurtured with a sense of well-being or even joy. And as we reach out to help, surely we’ll notice others doing the same thing, and our spiritual need for renewed faith will be met.

—Heidi Mann

Tithes and OfferingsTotals for 1/28/18

Tithe: \$668

Easy Tithe: \$242.11

Water: \$20

Tech: \$14

Total: \$944.11

Total for January: \$3219.11

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2542

## Tech Upgrades!!!!

~We are ready for several technical upgrades.~

- ~~Necessary now — Main Computer to run 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

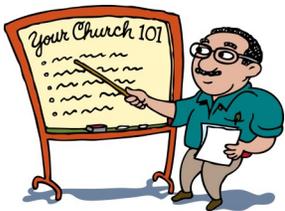
These special needs can be given to (in addition to our regular giving), by writing a separate check and placing (tech upgrades) in the memo of your check.

**Thursday, Feb 8th at 7p** - Church Board Meeting

**Feb 11th** -Work of the Nominating Committee Presented to the Congregation

**Sunday, February 18th** - Church Board Election

**Sunday, March 18th** Community Lenten Services. Living Well will be hosting the Dixon community on Sunday night March 18th at 6:00p. We will be providing refreshments following the service. Please plan now on attending!



### **MembersHIp Class**

**Saturday, February 24th** Church Membership Class from 2p-7p at Pastor John and Jeanette's house. Would like to learn more about what it means to be a Member of Living Well? Are considering joining the church or you would just like a refresher course? If so this 5 hour class is for you. We will be sharing a meal together at the end of the class. Please sign up on the sheet at the information table if you plan to attend. This class is appropriate for those 15 and older.

**Sunday, February 25th** the Pathways to Faith and Action Meeting is scheduled to take place following the Morning Service. This meeting is a overall look at the Ministries of Living Well Church including Systems and Procedures that facilitate planning and supporting the ministries of the church.



### **March 3rd Iron Sharpens Iron 2018 Men's Conference in Beloit WI.**

Over the next 3 weeks look here for 9 distinctions that make the Iron Sharpens Iron conferences unique. Here are the first 3:

**Distinctive #4** Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conferences are for men of all ages (13 and up). The conference platform intentionally promotes and encourages intergenerational ministry. The conviction is that manhood begins early and that men of all ages need encouragement to finish strong for Christ. Seminars are designed to be specific to different men in different seasons of life. Seminars are targeted for Emerging Men (age 13-19); Pioneering Men (age 20- 29); Full Throttle Men (age 30-55) and Seasoned Men (age 55+).

**Distinctive #5** Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conferences are trustworthy. They occur once a year – every year – in the same location and in the same place in the calendar. The intention of the conference is to be a resource that local churches can trust and depend on. The ISI Men's Conference is a reliable resource that can be added to the calendar of the local church. 2018 will be our 12th consecutive year serving churches in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, and Minnesota through our Orland Park, IL, Beloit, WI, Cedar Rapids, IA, and Davenport, IA events.

**Distinctive #6** Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conferences are one-day conferences. They start at 8:30 AM and end at 4:55 PM. Men can begin their day at home and have dinner at the end of the day at home. The (group) registration cost is \$55 (\$40 for students) (prices include lunch) and the one-day format eliminates extensive travel and lodging costs. This conference model is ideal in serving the majority of men.

There is more information on Iron Sharpens Iron and a sign-up sheet on the A/V Tech Table in the back of the Community Room.

*“If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant; if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.”*

—Anne Bradstreet