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: God of Re...God Removes 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

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

Words of Welcome

Good morning [evening], and welcome to worship, Christian education and fellowship as the body of Christ!

Order of Service

April 22nd, 2018

Welcome/Call to Worship: Lisa Janes Psalm 28:7
Song: Song: Sing, Sing, Sing
Song: Even So Come
Scripture Reading: Colossians 2:6,7
Song: Christ Be All Around Me
Pastoral Prayer: Bill Young
Offering: Learning to Be the Light (Bill - special music)
Sermon: God of Re...God Removes, Revelation 2:5 Pastor Trotter
Song: At The Cross
Announcements: Pastor Trotter
Doxology
Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Ray Price Ushers: Alberto and Jay Valdez Worship Team: Doug, Amy Jo, Carter, Bill, Steve Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle Morning Worship, Renee Kindle Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: Tod Carlock Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis,

Preparation for Worship

O Lord, you are my shepherd. Thank you for fulfilling my needs, leading me along safe pathways and restoring my soul. Amen.

My Take Away for Today

Sermon Notes

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Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Prayer Service 7:00pm on Wednesday nights
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
 - May 6th Next Communion
 - May 6th Next Church Board Meeting after Church
 - May 12 Mother/Daughter Luncheon, Noon-2pm
 - June 16 Father/Son Luncheon, Noon-2pm

<u>Our All-in-All</u>

What the hand is to the lute, What the breath is to the flute, What is fragrance to the smell? What the spring is to the well, What the flower is to the bee, That is Jesus Christ to me.

What's the mother to the child? What the guide in pathless wild? What is oil to troubled wave? What is ransom to the slave? What is water to the sea? That is Jesus Christ to me.

-C.H. Spurgeon



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<u>Totals for 4/22/18</u>

Tithe: \$880 Living Water: \$20 Tech Upgrades: \$10 Total: \$910

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Total for April: \$3129.75 Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2623

God of Re... Christ Returns

Next week on Sunday, April 29th, Dr. Doug Kindle will be bringing the morning message from the God of Re... series titled Christ Returns - Second Coming. Plan now to join us as we hear what the Holy Spirit has to say to us through Dr. Kindle.

"In a world of this kind, a crossless Christian is a Christless Christian." —E. Stanley Jones

Tech Upgrades. We are close to making our next purchase which will be a big screen TV for the front here (behind the stage). This will improve the brightness and contrast over our current projection method, and improve the experience of our in person and online attendees. If the Lord is leading you to help in this area you can designate your contribution on your check made out to Living Well Church and writing (tech upgrade) in the memo.

Change Agents

A cartoon depicts a man at a podium firing up a crowd. "Who wants change?" he shouts. You can almost hear the excitement and urgency. "We do!" the listeners cry, all raising their hands.

But the next frame features a follow-up question: "Who wants to change?" The audience is silent and somber, with their hands down.

The gospel Jesus announced and lived out promises monumental change: life instead of death, healing from sickness, hope to replace despair, peace and justice instead of war and oppression. Although God could wave his hand and make the world perfect, he chooses to work through humans. That means we must be willing to change too.

Change can be scary, but God's newness will so transform the world — and us — that we'll never miss our old, broken reality.

—Heidi Mann

⁵ The Well, (Fighting Hunger Feeding Wellness) has been growing. Over 2200 have been distributed since January 4th. This ministry takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p. Let Tracy Young know if you would like to help support this vital ministry.

District Convention - April 28 from 9:00am-3:00pm at Pekin First Church of the Nazarene for Pastors, Delegates, and guests

Registration opens at 8:30am *Lunch provided with a suggested \$5 donation. Childcare ONLY with pre-registration by April 23

Who Then is This?

The disciples of Jesus had planned a night crossing of the Sea of Galilee. But that night the wind rose suddenly, shredding sails and cracking spars, and the waves pounded the hull and washed over the deck. They knew they were in trouble, big trouble. Jesus ... "rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was dead calm" (Mark 4:39).

I would imagine that the quiet outside the boat was nothing compared with the quiet inside the boat. Mark reports that the disciples were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this?" Who then is this? It is fundamental in the sense that, if we get the answer to this question wrong, nothing else will matter very much. But if we get the question right, we'll very likely get a lot of other things right as well.

But this question can only be asked properly in the way the disciples asked it: in the company of Jesus. They had already started to follow him, obey him. They were living in his presence. Who is this One, they wondered, who has called us and turned our lives upside down and filled us with awe?

The order of things is important. We don't first get answers to all our questions, and then decide to join the company of Jesus' followers. Instead, we begin by trusting Jesus enough to start down the road of discipleship. Then we try to understand who has taken us by the hand and what has happened to us.

-Donald W. McCullough, from Chimes