#### 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.

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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: What Do You Know About Hardship? 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

"Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song" (Psalm 98:4, ESV). Welcome, as we join Creation in worshiping God!

#### **Order of Service**

May 6th, 2018

Welcome/Call to Worship: Lisa Janes Isaiah 49:13 ESV

Song: Song: No Not One

Song: Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 35:10

Song: Blessed Assurance Pastoral Prayer: Jay Valdez

Offering:

Sermon: What Do You Know About Hardship? James 1:2-4,12

Communion:

Song: Fear is a Liar

Announcements: John/Jeanette

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Ella Mahnke

Ushers: Alberto and Jay Valdez

Worship Team: Doug, Lisa, Amy Jo, Bill, Steve, Rob

Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle

Morning Worship, Renee Kindle

Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: Joey Scott Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis,

## Preparation for Worship

Newness is springing to life all around us! Thank you, God, that your divine resurrection is revealed here on earth.

Sermon Notes

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
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
  - May 12 Mother/Daughter Luncheon, Noon-2pm
    - June 3rd Next Communion
    - June 16 Father/Son Luncheon, Noon-2pm

# **Upcoming Sermons**

May 13th-Mother's Day James - In faith and deed



May 20th—James - Taming the Tongue



May 27th—James - Submitting to God





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#### Totals for 4/29/18

Tithe: \$948 Water: \$20 <u>Tech Upgrades: \$230</u>

Total: \$1198

Total for April: \$4709.75 Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2853

#### The Giver

It is beyond the realm of possibilities that one has the ability to out-give God. Even if I give the whole of my worth to him, he will find a way to give back to me much more than I gave.

—Charles Spurgeon

**Reminder to all Church Board members:** There will be a Board Meeting today after this morning's worship

**Mother/Daughter Luncheon** will be next Saturday, May 12th, from 12p -2p. Ladies we will be decorating a table for the evening and our time together will include a delightful lunch, games and a photo Op. Tickets are on sale now, so please see Tracy for more details and tickets for those special ladies in your life.

**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.

The Well, (Fighting Hunger Feeding Wellness) takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p. We invite you to join us, so you can flex your service muscles. We could use some volunteers this morning to help us set up. Please push the chairs up to the platform, maintaining the rows, then set up 8 round tables with 6 chairs around each table.

# Special Dates in May

- National Day of Prayer, May 3, 2018
- Ascension, May 10, 2018
- Mother's Day, May 13, 2018
- Armed Forces Day, May 19, 2018
- Pentecost, May 20, 2018
- · Victoria Day (Canada), May 21, 2018
- Trinity Sunday, May 27, 2018
- Memorial Day, May 28, 2018

## In Good Hands

As Jesus prepared his disciples for his departure, they were full of questions — "Where are you going? How will we know the way there? Would you please just show us the Father?" — and not very satisfied with his answers. So Jesus promised to send them "another Helper" (John 14:16, ESV). And we can almost hear them protesting, like kids bemoaning a favorite coach's retirement or church members grieving a beloved pastor's call to serve elsewhere: "Oh, great. Someone new for us to get to know. It won't be the same. It won't be you."

Except ... the word another has two forms in Greek: "another just like this one" and "another, different version." And when the author of John translated Jesus' Aramaic into Greek, the first definition was the accurate one. Jesus was assuring his disciples they'd be in good hands, at peace and secure because the new Helper — the Holy Spirit — would be another just like him.

-based on Fearless, by Max Lucado

**Next Sunday**, May 13th we will be presenting the Certificate of Memorial Role of Ruth Kinnersley to the Kindle Family.

**Ladies Group** will begin May 19th at 10:00am. Please sign up at the information table if you are able to attend. We would be meeting at my office here in Dixon. We will be having a low impact workout at 9:00am for those who want to join me before the Bible Study.

### Smart Mrs. Smartt

Mrs. Smartt was fumbling in her purse for her offering when a large television remote fell out and clattered into the aisle.

The curious usher bent over to retrieve it for her and whispered, "Do you always carry your TV remote to church?"

"No," she replied, "but my husband refused to come with me this morning, and I figured this was the most evil thing I could do to him legally."

**June 10th Rev. Amy Jo Higgins** will be bringing our morning message. She will be preaching on the Call of God, drawing on illustrations from the story of God's call on Moses; leader of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery to the promised land in Canaan.