

## 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](http://www.livingwellchurch.org) and click on the Livestream tab.



August 19th, 2018

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



**Today's Sermon: To The Exiles: Do Good 1 Peter 2:9-17**  
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

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Mission Statement

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

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Words of Welcome

“Great are the works of the LORD!” (Psalm 111:2): long summer days, meteor showers, lakes and forests, time for vacation and rest. Let us worship our generous God.

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**Order of Service**

**August 19th, 2018**

Welcome/Call to Worship: Lisa Janes **Psalm 145:3-5**

Song: Meet With Me

Song: I Will Look Up

Scripture Reading: **Hebrews 6:10**

Song: Give Me Jesus

Pastoral Prayer: Blessing of the Backpacks - Renee Kindle

Offering:

Sermon: To The Exiles: Do Good 1 Peter 2:9-17 - Pastor John Trotter

Song: Reckless Love

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Deb Jensen

Ushers: Jay Valdez

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

Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle

Morning Worship, Deb Jensen

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech:

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Asst.

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Preparation for Worship

Despite all the despair and hurt in the world, with the psalmist I “put [my] hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and ... full redemption” (Psalm 130:7, NIV).

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My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men’s group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John’s Barbershop
- Ladies Group Sat. mornings @ 10:00 at Jeanette’s office
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
  - Next Communion - September 2

**The Parable Of The Good Samaritan**

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 JERUSALEM  
 PRIEST  
 WINE  
 HALF-DEAD  
 JERICHO  
 CLOTHES  
 ROBBERY  
 LEVITE  
 SILVER  
 WOUND  
 PARABLE  
 SAMARITAN  
 NEIGHBOR  
 INNKEEPER



*Tithes and offerings*

Totals for 8/12/18

Tithe: \$846

Total: \$846

Total for August: \$2372

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2881

## Living Well Announcements

- **Next Sunday invite a friend to church** and then over for lunch.
- **The Church Membership Class** - Is on hold until we find a date that can work for everyone. Stay tuned for the new scheduled date
- **Our 13th Annual Celebrate Family Day** picnic is just 2 weeks away on Monday, Sept 3rd at the Lions Club Shelter in Lowell Park. Bring lawn chairs, drinks and a dish to share. Please sign up in the back for scheduled events.

6:30am - Men's Breakfast

8:00am - Canoe Trip (*you are welcome to use your own kayak or canoe*)

9:00am - 12:00pm - Set up for Picnic

11:00am - Treasure Hunt

12:00pm - Family Picnic

1:00pm - Family Games

1:00pm - 9 Square in the Air

2:00pm - Family Bike Ride (*will need to take bikes to the upper level of the park to begin*)

- **The Well, (Fighting Hunger Feeding Wellness)** is a partnership with KSB and Lost Lake Church and takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p.

**Set Up instructions for The Well:** For those of you helping with setup, please push the chairs up to the platform and stack the last row of chairs (dark purple) against the side wall. Then set up 8 round tables in space where the chairs were with 6 chairs around each table

## Prayer From the Heart

John Bunyan said, "In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart." A story told by a 19th-century Jewish rabbi shares the same idea:

A disheveled old man entered a synagogue for the first time. Not realizing he was holding the prayer book upside down, he tried to follow the congregation's singing, but his words were incorrect. Finally, he simply looked toward heaven, repeating one Hebrew word over and over.

After worship, some people complained to the rabbi, "Why didn't you ask him to leave?" He replied, "That man said more to God with his one word than some of us will ever say in our whole lives. God hears the words of the heart."

## Excuses

If you took the same excuses that people use for not going to church and apply them to other important areas of life you'd realize how inconsistent we can be in our logic. For example: Reasons Not To Wash

1. I was forced to as a child.
2. People who make soap are only after your money.
3. I wash on special occasions like Christmas and Easter.
4. People who wash are hypocrites-they think they are cleaner than every one else.
5. There are so many kinds of soap, I can't decide which one is best.
6. I used to wash, but it got boring so I stopped.
7. None of my friends wash.
8. The bathroom is never warm enough in the winter or cool enough in the summer.
9. I'll start washing when I get older and dirtier.
10. I can't spare the time

## Out of Mind

"When my wife and I argue, she always gets historical," a man said. "Don't you mean hysterical?" his friend asked. "No, I mean historical," the man replied. "She's always bringing up the past!"

Forgiveness is tough when you can't stop dwelling on wrongs and slights. If you have that problem, consider the 24-letter tongue-twister *issumagijoujungnainermik*.

Around 1739, Moravian missionaries faced a "lexical gap" when they tried to explain forgiveness to an Eskimo Indian tribe. Their language didn't have an adequate word for the concept, so the missionaries had to create one using several existing Eskimo words. The result is a mouthful, but it's a perfect expression of the true meaning of forgiveness.

*Issumagijoujungnainermik* translates as "not being able to think about it anymore."

## "How Beautiful God's Love"

How beautiful God's Love for us  
So broad, so deep, so clear;  
A gift that's rich and personal,  
A joy that's always near.

—Peggy Ferrell, Poems and Prayers