

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 spiritual development.

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: **The Church: Vision, Where Do We Go From Here**
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.

Words of Welcome

A blessed Advent to you! Today as we worship, we begin the season of anticipation, hope and preparation for the coming Messiah. Welcome.

Order of Service

December 2nd, 2018

Welcome: Lisa Janes **Colossians 3:16**

Song: Come and Worship

Song: God With Us

Scripture Reading: **1 Timothy 1:15-17**

Song: Revelation Song

Pastoral Prayer: Bill Young

Offering:

Sermon: The Church: Vision, Where Do We Go From Here Pastor Trotter

Communion:

Song: Come and Worship

Announcements: Jeanette Trotter

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters:

Ushers:

Clean Team:

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

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

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Raymond Price

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Nancy Trotter

Preparation for Worship

The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will fulfill the good promise I made ...'" (Jeremiah 33:14, NIV). Thanks, God, that we can depend on your promises.

My Take Away for Today



Sermon Notes

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Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
 - Next Communion - January 6th

Here and Now

Bishop Stephen Bouman stood behind an altar in a small crypt chapel of the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth, supposedly at the location where Mary heard she was going to have a baby. Carved into the altar was the Latin for "The Word was made flesh," but Bouman noticed an addition: hic, or "here." Verbum caro hic factum est, "The Word was made flesh here."

Whoever authorized that inscription probably meant it to refer to that specific location. In reality, however, the Incarnation means God became flesh here on earth, for all of us. The Incarnation means we can speak of the nearness of God. It means God walks with us on earth, and that if we are saved anywhere, it is right here.



This is Christmas: not the tinsel, not the giving and receiving, not even the carols, but the humble heart that receives anew the wondrous gift, the Christ.

—Frank McKibben



Totals for 11/18/18

Tithe: \$187

Total: \$187

Totals for 11/25/18

Tithe: \$1,054

Alabaster: \$94

Tech Upgrades: \$15

Other: 129.59

Living Water: \$20

Total: 1312.59

Total for November: \$2824.80

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2926

4 Living Well Announcements

- **Dec 5th at 7:30, The Well Staff Christmas photo.** As a Christmas greeting to the wonderful people who attend The Well we would like to invite all who help with The Well to come together to have a group Christmas photo taken. The Photo is planned for Wednesday December 5th at 7:30pm at Living Well. If you have helped in any way over the last year with The Well on Tuesday or Thursday nights or pick up/deliver supplies or provide support to The Well at any time during the week please join us for the group picture.
- **Dec 7th from 6p-9p will be the Dixon Christmas Walk,** starting at 6p with the lighting of the Christmas Tree at KSB Hospital. Living Well has been asked to host Santa and Mrs. Claus and will be showing the “Charlie Brown Christmas” to guest who come through the door, so they can hear the true meaning of Christmas in a festive atmosphere.

If you would like to be a part of this outreach opportunity please see Shelly for more details. If you are wanting to help with decorating or set up for the Christmas Walk we have a schedule for work days available on the information table.
- **Dec 8th at 5pm the Lost Lake Choir** will be presenting a Christmas musical “Emmanuel - Celebrating Heaven’s Child”, there will be a dinner following the presentation. Please sign up if you plan to attend.
- **Dec 9th is Church Membership Sunday:** If you are interested in joining the Church on that day please let Pastor John know.
- **Dec 15th from 3p-6p there will be a Christmas Open House** at Pastor John and Jeanette’s. We look forward to seeing you as we appreciate our friendship and partnership in ministry with you.
- **The Well, (Fighting Hunger Feeding Wellness)** is a partnership with KSB and Living Well and takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p. **Stats: KSB Meals served to date = 6981 (6551 to Living Well Church) and (430 to St Anne’s) Served (ate) on site at Living Well Church = 3197!**

“Once we have seen [Jesus] in a stable, we can never be sure where he will appear or to what lengths he will go or to what ludicrous depths of self-humiliation he will descend in his wild pursuit of men.”

—Frederick Buechner

5 Goals for Families with Children

- 1) **We will strive to assist parents in “Training children in the way they should go.” Proverbs 22:6.** We recognize that the religious training of children is primarily the responsibility of their parents; therefore we will work to provide parents with needed resources to teach their children.
- 2) **We will strive to provide a curriculum that will help our children to have the Biblical foundation and understanding that will help them make wise choices and early accept Christ as Lord and Savior. (Deuteronomy 6)** We will have organized teaching goals. Our teaching will give children an understanding of the stories and teaching of the entire Bible. We will also provide opportunities for children and parents to learn together. Our lessons will also include discipleship training and the work of the Church of the Nazarene around the world.
- 3) **We will strive to prepare children to assume leadership of the church.** Our church is only as strong as the leadership team and the teams reliance of the guidance of the Holy Spirit, therefore we will provide them the opportunity to serve others, the opportunity to minister in the community, the opportunity to serve the body of believes. We will teach them about having devotions, giving to the church, prayer and the use of their Bibles.
- 4) **We will use NazSafe guidelines to keep our children safe while in our care.** This includes safe facilities, carefully screened workers and a clear communication structure between the church and the parents.

