

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



May 5th, 2019

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



**Sermon: Keys to Your New Life - An "All Over the World Faith"**  
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

Dear people of God, welcome to worship as we continue to celebrate the season of Easter.

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**Order of Service**

**May 5th, 2019**

Welcome: Bill Young **Philippians 2:9-11**

Song: All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Song: At Your Name

Scripture Reading: **Romans 3:25-26**

Song: Hungry

Pastoral Prayer: Bill Young

Offering:

Sermon: Keys to Your New Life - An "All Over the World Faith"

Communion

Song: My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

Announcement: Set Up for The Well

Doxology

Dismiss: Bill Young

Set Up for "The Well" and Fellowship

Worship Leaders: Bill, John, Doug

Counters: Pam Ellis, Assistant

Connect Group leaders: Teens: Dan      Adults: Bill

Clean Team: Tina Maldonado

Computer Tech: Bill Young

Sound Tech: Raymond Price

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

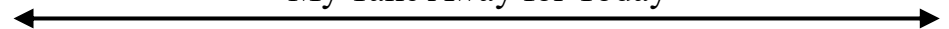
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Preparation for Worship

Gardener God, as resurrection bursts forth in buds and blooms, help my faith to fully flower as well.

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My Take Away for Today



## Sermon Notes

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### Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 8:00 at John's Barbershop Dixon
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
  - Next Communion - May 5th



Thousands of lives are transformed through the work of the Holy Spirit and World Mission Broadcast (WMB) programs. WMB began as the Nazarene Radio League in 1944 and has expanded to a global network of programs contextualized for listeners and viewers around the world. WMB programs are produced in multiple languages and countries. Here are a few...

- Against the Flow (ATF) is a radio program in Manila, Philippines, and has a listening audience of 15-million people. To produce and air one-minute of ATF it costs \$2.19. Yes, you read that right...\$2.19 for one-minute of airtime in which 15 million people could hear the gospel.
- From Kenya, Meseret Mengesha says, “Many people say they are encouraged by the messages we put on the air.” Just one of WMB’s programs in Kenya broadcasts the Gospel in six languages, reaching more than 24,000 listeners, most of them unbelievers.
- In South Africa, one-third of Johannesburg’s 4.3 million population lives in urban Soweto, a community of stark demographic differences. Streaming into the diverse area is a Nazarene radio program called Children for Jesus. On the program, a Nazarene pastor tells the children of Soweto about Christ.



#### Totals for 4/28/19

Tithe: \$748

L. Water: \$20

Nursery: \$205

Tech Upgrades: \$5

Total: \$978

Total for April: \$2264.81

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2,961

## Living Well Announcements

- **Raising Funds to Complete Nursery.** We will be raising money to complete nursery construction. If you would like funds designated to this project write nursery construction in the memo of your check and place it in the offering plate. We are still in need of painting, cabinets, electrical work and carpet to make it a comfortable environment for our new moms and our children.
- **Church / Home Prayer Group** meets in your home on Wednesday nights. If you would like to be added to the weekly prayer meeting please send an email to pastor John jptlivingwell@gmail.com
- **The Well set up** - Please stack chairs along the wall and then set up tables and metal chairs, so we have an open space for The Well. We have begun to offer a devotional during the meal and (as God provides) live dinner music.
- **Important Dates:**  
Kids & Pre-Teen Camp – June 24-27, 2019  
Teen Camp – July 22-26, 2019

## Echoes of Easter

The Resurrection wasn't a "one-off"; it was a spark that lit a flame that continues burning even today, especially where people minister in the Risen One's name. One such outreach, Camp Noah, serves children traumatized by disaster. Nationwide, volunteers offer week-long experiences of kindness, love, listening and safety to kids who've recently survived a tornado, flood, hurricane, wildfire or shooting. Kids often open up for the first time to share their "storm stories" and begin a journey of healing.

Leaders at Camp Noah attest to God's power to bring joy out of sorrow, trust out of fear and life out of death. A boy who initially was aloof dances with another camper at the closing worship; kids who arrived with uncertain expressions leave with smiles and regained confidence. Mental health counselors are part of camp teams, and referrals are made to continue care afterward.

Resurrection often happens in steps, not overnight. But wherever "ordinary" daily ministry takes place in Christ's name, extraordinary echoes of the first Easter are evident.

—Heidi Mann

## FINDING YOUR CHILD'S SPIRITUAL PATHWAY (Part 2 of 7)

### The Naturalist

Some children may be wired to connect with God through nature. Just like some adults feel closest to God when on the top of a mountain or while fishing, many children feel closest to God while enjoying His creation. They may understand spiritual metaphors better when they are related to the natural world. God uses nature — weeds, gardens, pets, clouds and people — to draw these children closer to Him.

In the case of the naturalist child, a parent will need to help him approach creation mindfully and with an ear bent toward the Creator. If your children are young, you can and should take the lead in pointing out how God's creation draws us toward Him, similar to the conversation I had with my son. Eventually it will be a natural way for your child to connect with God. Otherwise, they may have a tendency to give nature credit for itself. Talking about nature as a creation of God is key to drawing the naturalist's eyes to the Creator.

Bible character to check out:

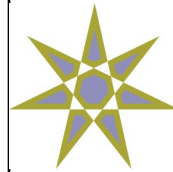
Elijah (a prophet who moved around a lot)

Deborah (judged Israel under a date palm tree rather than from a tent)

Bible passage to read together: Psalm 19:1-6

## Christian Symbol— 7-Pointed Star

This star represents Isaiah's list of the gifts of the Spirit to be revealed in the Branch of Jesse — that is, Christ: "The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him — the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD — and he will delight in the fear of the LORD" (Isaiah 11:2-3, NIV). Some baptism and confirmation liturgies pray for God to "stir up in" the newly baptized or confirmed "the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in [God's] presence."



## The Nun Who Kided God



The 16th century nun known as Teresa of Ávila (Spain) had a great sense of humor. Caught in a thunderstorm and getting soaked, she was heard to pray, "Lord, it's no wonder [you] have so many enemies, if this is the way you treat your friends."