

We believe God is the source of life and all truth, and that we were lovingly created to live in relationship with him through Jesus. 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 a mini-mall in downtown Dixon, Illinois and have an active online community. We started September 11th 2005 in a hotel conference room, then moved to a movie theater for about 3-1/2 years. We have been in our current location for the last 6 years. 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 toward discovery of the joy in being a catalyst of His help and healing in the lives of others.

What we do: Lead in the discovery and application of God's truth in every area of life.

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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April 24th, 2016



"Drink from the water I give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: Now What!?!: Elijah
By Pastor Trotter

Meeting Sunday Mornings
Downtown Dixon Mini-Mall
113 East First Street, Suite 130
Dixon, Il. 61021

Small Groups—9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Friendship Café—10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Worship—10:30 a.m. to 11:45

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Mission Statement

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Words of Welcome

We worship in the name of our creative God, our all-loving Savior and the rejuvenating Spirit. Amen.

Preparation for Worship

“The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it” (Psalm 24:1, NIV). I thank you, God, for the abundant gifts of your Creation.

Order of Service

April 24th, 2016

Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes
Scripture Reading: Psalm 56 :11-13
Song: Hallelujah God is Near / Meet With Me
Song: Blessed Quietness
Scripture Reading: Hebrews 3:12-14
Song: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah / Give Me Jesus
Pastoral Prayer: Pastoral Prayer: Mike Janes
Doxology
Offering and Collecting of Alabaster Boxes
Sermon: Now What!?! Elijah
Closing song: Just As I Am
Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Pastor Trotter John 10:28-30

Greeters: Dan & Shelly Long
Worship Team: Steve, Bill, John
Friendship Café Leader(s): Stephanie Scott and Shelly Long
Ushers: Jase Jayden Jeseña Valdez
Computer Tech: Brad Larson
Sound Tech: Tod Carlock or Devin Scott
LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes
Counters: Pam Ellis and Deanna Carlock

My Take Away for Today



Weekly Ministry Leaders	
Infant Nursery Leader and Helpers:	Toddler Nursery Leader and Helpers:
Worship:	Worship:
Small Group:	Small Group:
K'motion Small Group Leader:	Children's Worship Leader:
Sheryl	
Next Week:	Next Week:
Pipeline Teen Small Group Leader:	Adult Small Group Leader:
Dan Long / Jay Valdez	Pastor Trotter
Next Week:	Next Week:

Coming Events

- **Men's group Sat. mornings @ 7:30 at John's Barbershop and here at the mini-mall**
 - **Next Church Board Meeting May 12th**
 - **ConventionPalooza April 30th in Pekin**
 - **Next Communion May 1st**

“If we are not planted in Christ, we'll be uprooted in crisis.”

—Unknown

~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 4/17/16

Tithe: \$645

Water: \$40

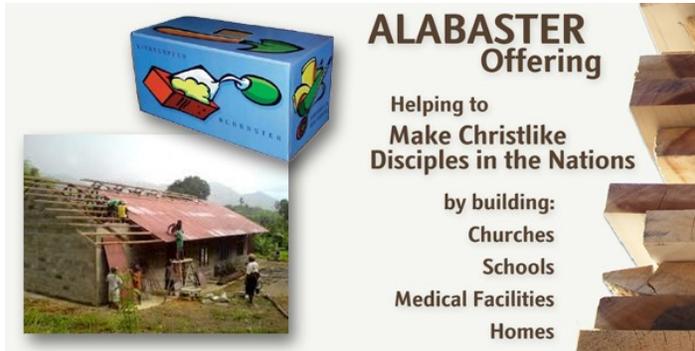
Total: \$685

Total for April: \$5179

This Week We Are Moving!

The plan is to be onsite every night this week at 6:00 - Monday - Saturday. We need to be totally moved by Saturday night. So all hands on deck this week!

Next Sunday we will be somewhere in the building. We will not be having our small group time, only our service at 10:30a.



Today is Alabaster Sunday!

Our entire Alabaster Offering goes toward the purchase of land and construction of churches, schools, medical facilities, and homes for missionaries and national workers in the world areas where the Church of the Nazarene has a ministry presence.

The Alabaster Offering gets to the mission field via several avenues. The most widely used is the Alabaster Box shaped in the form of a brick. We fill the box with change and bills by choosing to give the money of the cost of items we desire but do not need. The boxes also serve as reminders to pray for those people who will benefit from Alabaster buildings.

The way an offering is received is as varied as the world areas in which the Church of the Nazarene has a presence; however, it is always accompanied with a spirit of rejoicing.



We are planning to go live with our new online giving option by next Sunday. Check it out! And try it out! Some may want to use the online giving option to set up your regular weekly contributions

A Love Explosion

“Mommy, if Jesus comes to live inside my heart, will I explode?” One of missionary Katie Davis’ adopted daughters surprised her with that question as they headed to the Nile River for some baptisms.

Although Davis immediately replied, “No!” she later realized: “That is exactly what we should do if Jesus comes to live inside our hearts. We will explode with love, with compassion, with hurt for those who are hurting, and with joy for those who rejoice. We will explode with a desire to be more, to be better, to be close to the One who made us.”

—adapted from Kisses From Katie

A Shepherd's Role

While traveling in Iran, writer Eric Bishop asked a villager about an earthen enclosure topped with dry thorns. The man said sheep stayed in the round space at night for safety. “What are the thorns for?” Bishop asked. “If a wolf tries to break in and attack the sheep,” the man replied, “he’ll knock against the thorns, and they’ll make a noise, and the shepherd will wake up and drive off the wolf.”

Pointing out the enclosure’s doorless entrance, Bishop asked why a wolf wouldn’t just enter there. Because, replied the villager, “that’s where the shepherd sleeps; the shepherd is the door.”

Suddenly Bishop understood why in John 10 Jesus calls himself first the door, or gate, for the sheep and then the Good Shepherd. Because Jesus is the shepherd, he’s also the door that keeps us, his sheep, safe within his care.



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today we start the “Now What!?!” series

Today – Now What!?!: Elijah

May 1st – Now What!?! Elizabeth

May 8th – Now What!?!: Mary the Mother of Jesus

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