

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.

Currently we meet 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 met in a former department store building downtown for 6 years, and we are now meeting in and renovating space in a downtown building (formerly known as the Ames Furniture Building) on 1st Street near KSB Hospital. 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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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 I give” ~ Jesus



Today’s Sermon: *Beauty and the Feast - Esther 1*
By Pastor Trotter

Meeting Sunday Mornings

Downtown Dixon Mini-Mall

116 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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Welcome to Living Well Church of the Nazarene

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Sermon Notes

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Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

Father's Day is a time for us to show our appreciation to God for our families.

As we pray for our fathers and all other members of our families, let us also show kindness toward all who have come to worship. We are very pleased that you are here

Preparation for Worship

As summer officially begins this week, I find warmth and joy in worshipping you, Creator God.

Order of Service

June 19th, 2016

Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes

Scripture Reading: Psalms 89: 15-48

Song: The Roar

Song: Build Your Kingdom Here

Scripture Reading: John 15: 1-4

Song: No Longer Slaves

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Doxology

Offering: Good Good Father

Sermon: Esther - The Beauty and the Feast Pastor Trotter

Closing song: Build Your Kingdom Here

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott Jude 1: 24-25

Greeters: Jay and Danielle Valdez

Worship Team: Steve, Rob, Jeseña, Bill, John

Friendship Café Leader(s):

Ushers: Jase and Jayden Valdez

Computer Tech:

Sound Tech: Devin Scott

LiveStream Tech:

Counters:

My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Next Communion July 3rd
- Special Guests Missionaries Amber and Jony Cruz
 - Next Church Board Meeting July 14th
 - Celebrate Family Day, September 5th



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - Esther - Beauty and the Feast
June 26th - Esther
July 3rd - Esther
July 10th - Esther

Join us onsite, or via Live Stream @ livingwellchurch.org

“Dark as my path may seem to others, I carry a magic light in my heart. Faith, the spiritual strong searchlight, illumines the way, and although sinister doubts lurk in the shadow, I walk unafraid toward the enchanted wood where the foliage is always green, where joy abides ... in the presence of the Lord.”

—Helen Keller

~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 6/12/16

Tithe: \$583

Total: \$583

Total for May: \$1570

Work nights are being planned here to proceed with our projects for Wednesday nights at 6:30 beginning with this Wednesday night June 22nd, if your schedule allows, your help would be greatly appreciated.

Men's group now meeting in Polo at John's Barber Shop at 6:30a. The group is starting a study of 2 Corinthians and will read and pray from 6:30-7 then intermingle with the customers for a bit when the Barber Shop opens at 7.

Shhh - Don't Tell Your Mother June 25th @ 6:30pm
Comedy, Improv, Music, and maybe a sentimental touch in there somewhere. Bring out your Dad's, Grandpa's Uncles Sons and Brothers to get their laugh on, There will be some prizes awarded and free popcorn! Brought to you by Lisa Janes Comedy and Friends, with Special Guest~ Heidi Cleaveland. \$3.00 admission at the door. no reservations necessary.
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1593955060895843/>

July 3rd Special Guests, Missionaries in Mexico: Amber and Jony Cruz. Amber Medema Cruz, daughter of Joe and Kathy. Website to see some of the good work they are involved in is: CasaHogaralfa.org also check out their Youtube channel (the link is on their Homepage) where you will find videos Jony has made and more. We will have opportunity to support their ministry with a free will love offering on that Sunday.

Unlikely Methods

“By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days” (Hebrews 11:30, NRSV). What must Joshua and the Israelites have thought of those orders?

What must Naaman have thought when Elisha prescribed a leprosy cure of washing seven times in the muddy Jordan River (2 Kings 5)?

What must the disciples have thought when Jesus allowed himself to be crucified?

God seems to delight in using unlikely methods to accomplish his plans. Remember that when life doesn't make sense or circumstances seem hopeless.

God's plans are rarely straight-forward or predictable. He's full of surprises. With a little faith and obedience, we will see God work in our lives, too.

Father's Day was first observed in America in 1910. In 1923 the third Sunday of June was set as the official day, and in 1924 President Coolidge recommended its national observance. Today it has a fixed place in the calendar of special days in our country.

But devotion to and pride in fathers does not need to wait for official approval. As long as there have been families, love and respect for fathers has existed.

SHMILY

Shirley Dobson tells of a game her grandparents played called SHMILY. They took turns writing that word in unusual places for the other person to find. For example, when steam would gather on a bathroom mirror, one or the other would write “SHMILY” on it with a bare finger.

Apparently, the word could show up anywhere — even on sugar, flour or salt spilled on a kitchen counter. The game lasted a lifetime.

When Shirley's grandmother died, a bouquet ribbon had the letters SHMILY on it. What did they stand for? They were the first letters of the words: See How Much I Love You.

