

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.

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“Drink from the water I give” ~ Jesus



Today’s Sermon: Equipped to Defend - Esther 8
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

In the name of God — Father, Son and Spirit — we enter together into worship.
Amen.

Preparation for Worship

In the words of your first disciples, “Lord, teach us to pray” (Luke 11:1). Teach us again and again, please, so we may grow closer to you.

Order of Service

July 24th 2016

Welcome: Steve Scott Announcements: Lisa Janes
Scripture Reading: Proverbs 11:2
Song: You Hold It All
Song: A Mighty Fortress is Our God
Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 3:3-4
Song: Reign in Us
Pastoral Prayer: Mark Ellis
Offering:
Sermon: Esther 8 Equipped to Defend, Pastor Trotter
Closing song: Multiplied/ He Reign
Doxology
Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Colossians 3:12

Greeters: Carol and Ella
Worship Team: Steve, Renata, Jeseña, Bill, John
Friendship Café Leader(s): Steph and Shelly
Ushers: Joey and Skylar Soctt
Computer Tech: Brad Larson
Sound Tech: Tod Carlock and/or Devin Scott
LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes
Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanna Carlock

My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Next Communion August 7th
 - Next Church Board Meeting August 11th
 - Celebrate Family Day, September 5th



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - Esther

July 31st - Esther

August 7th - Esther

August 14th - The Living Hell of Hardship Without Hope

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

Sincerity makes the very least person to be of more value than the most talented hypocrite.

—Charles Spurgeon

~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 7/17/16

Tithe: \$645.50

Water: \$20

Other: \$20

Total: \$685.50

Total for July: \$2623.50

Church Announcements

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Living Hell/Living Well Series Upcoming ,Starting August 14th. We are going to enlist your help once we get the video clips out and some flyers to go out. We also will have a few skits during this time and if you are interested in a little silent acting part we could use your talent and little bit of time. Please let me or Jeanette know if you would like to.

Work Night this Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Thank you for your dedication to getting our room prepared. This Wednesday evening the work continues as we work to get the Community Room ready for the wedding Saturday, July 30th. You are invited to not miss the joy of investing in the work of Jesus.

Love's Freedom



Love is the power to grant freedom without desiring to limit or inhibit its exercise. It is the power to give freedom without any will to take it back. And it is only Omnipotence that can refrain absolutely from trespassing upon freedom. Only God can give and not take back ... [God] suffers within himself the entire consequence of allowing man absolute freedom. That is his love

Thus, the existence of evil and suffering in the world is a proof, not that God is either good but powerless, or all powerful but not good. On the contrary, it is a proof that God is both loving and omnipotent. Only absolute love could grant unhindered freedom, and only omnipotence can endure the operation of that freedom.

—D.R. Davies

The Doorbell

A pastor is walking down the street one day when he notices a small boy trying to use the doorbell on a house across the street. However, the boy is very small and the doorbell is too high for him to reach.

After watching the boys efforts for some time the pastor walks across the street up to the little fellow and rings the doorbell.

Kneeling down next to the child, the pastor smiles and asks, "And now what, my little man?" To which the boy replies, "Run!"



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New Sermon Series - From Living Hell, to Living Well

The real life impact of current events happening in our world seem to be closer to home than ever before. Long avoided, hard questions are breaking out on social media, leaving many grasping for real of truth as pop authors seek to frame the deep problems we face in a neat picture with some clever text. In the wake of these witty memes (seen as profoundly witty by some and at the same time bias, prejudice and hate filled by others) we wonder how if there is really ever going to be a winner in this clash of culture and values. From Living Hell to Well Series scheduled to be presented here at the Dixon Living Well Community Place on Sundays at 10:30 August 14th - Sept 11th provides a safe format to contemplate and seek real answers to these questions:

The Living Hell of Hardship without Hope,
The Living Hell of Hunger without Humility,
The Living Hell of Hatred,
and The Living Hell of Having it All

On Fire for God

English preacher W.E. Sangster (1900-1960) served on an interview panel for ministry applicants. When a nervous candidate stepped forward, he admitted he was rather shy and not likely to ever set the River Thames on fire.

"My dear young brother," Sangster responded, "I am not interested to know if you can set the Thames on fire. What I want to know is this: If I picked you up by the scruff of your neck and dropped you into the Thames, would it sizzle?"