

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 fun.

**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.



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



**C O N T R O L ?**

Are we spinning out of control?

**Today's Sermon: The Living Hell of Hatred**  
 By Pastor Trotter, Jeanette 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.*

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### Words of Welcome

Psalm 81:1 (ESV) invites us, "Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!" And so we will. Welcome to worship!

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### Preparation for Worship

Thank you, Lord, for leading me to this place and time of worship. You know what I need today. I trust in your Word.

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### **Order of Service**

**August 28th 2016**

Welcome and Announcements: Lisa Janes

Scripture Reading: Psalms 108:1-5

Song: My Redeemer Lives

Song: Thrive

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:43-48

Song: 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Creative Team - Skit - Rockin' it Out

Sermon: The Living Hell of Hatred Pastor John, Jeanette

Closing song: Your Name

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Matthew 5:9-12

(if you would like to support the ministries of Living Well there is a donation box located near the exit, thank you for your support)

Greeters: Kathy and Joe Medema

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

Friendship Café Leader(s):

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock and/or Devin Scott

LiveStream Tech:

Counters: Pam Ellis and Deanna Carlock

← My Take Away for Today →

Coming Events

- *Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop*
  - *Next Communion September 4th*
  - *Next Church Board Meeting September 8th*
  - *Celebrate Family Day, September 5th*
- *Dedication of Living Well Community Room, September 11th*
  - *Believer's Baptism, September 11th*



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - The Living Hell of Hatred  
September 4th - The Living Hell of Hedonism  
September 11th - The Living Well of Jesus  
September 18th - New Series on Spiritual Gifts

**Join us onsite, or via Live Stream @ [livingwellchurch.org](http://livingwellchurch.org)**

“The foliage has been losing its freshness through the month of August, and here and there a yellow leaf shows itself like the first gray hair ... .”

—Oliver Wendell Holmes



**~ Stewardship Update ~**

Totals for 8/21/16

Tithe: \$367

Total: \$367

Total for July: \$3148

## Church Announcements

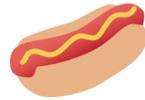
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### The 11th Annual Celebrate Family Day Picnic is only 1 week away:

This is a time to relax and have fun hanging out with family and friends. We started this tradition to reminisce over ministries Living Well was able to provide throughout the year. We also encourage everyone to invite extended family and friends so we can get to know each other better in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

The Celebration is held on Labor Day. This year it is September 5, 2016 from 7:00am-4:00pm at the Lowell Park - Lion's Club Shelter - We have lovingly named it 'The pavilion down by the river.'

Some of the activities for the day:



7:00am - Men's Breakfast

8:30am - Canoeing - Canoes leave from Grand Detour

11:00am - Treasure Hunt

12:00pm - Carry in Picnic

1:00pm - 9 Square in the Air and other yard games

3:00pm - Hang out with your awesome friends



Don't forget to invite your friends/family

### [Dedication of the Living Well Community Room on September 11th:](#)

We will be having a time of prayer asking for the Lord's blessing on our new space

### [Believer's Baptism on September 11th:](#)

Let Pastor John know if you would like to be baptized on this day.

## What's Up?

Ever wonder what God is doing in your life, or what — if anything — he's accomplishing through you? You aren't alone! Many people in the Bible surely felt the same way, from Joseph as a prisoner in Egypt to Mary as a young, unwed expectant mother.

Answers may come in time ... or may need to wait until we get to heaven. Meanwhile, like missionary Elisabeth Elliot, we can take comfort in this truth: "God is God. Because he is God, he is worthy of my trust and obedience." Elliot proclaimed, "I will find rest nowhere but in his holy will that is unspeakably beyond my largest notions of what he is up to."

## From Living Hell, to Living Well Sermon Series Continues

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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. The From Living Hell to Well Series, scheduled to be presented here at the Dixon Living Well Community Place on Sundays at 10:30 through Sept 11th, provides a safe format to contemplate and seek real answers to these questions:

This Week - The Living Hell of Hatred,

September 4th - The Living Hell of Having it All

September 11th - The Living Well of Jesus—A Different Drink

We all know at least one person who needs to hear this sermon series. Won't you invest into that relationship by inviting them to join you at church next Sunday?



## The 'Art' of Forgiveness

An interesting legend is associated with the painting "The Last Supper." Some say Leonardo da Vinci used a rival's face for Judas. Then when the painter tried to create Jesus' face, all he could see was that of his enemy. Supposedly, da Vinci was able to complete Jesus' face — and the entire masterpiece — only after making peace with his enemy and repainting Judas.

This tale shows the necessity of forgiving other people so we can accept Jesus' forgiveness for ourselves. As Jesus says in Matthew 6:14-15 (NIV), "For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins."

—adapted from Hot Illustrations for Youth Talks by Wayne Rice