

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 and click on the Livestream tab.



"Drink from the water I give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: John 15:1-4
By Bill Young

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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Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

As we enter into worship, please share Christ's peace with someone next to you.
Welcome!

Preparation for Worship

Like the nine cleansed lepers (Luke 17:11-19), Lord, too often I take your gifts for granted. Remind me to praise you for all I have.

Order of Service

October 9th 2016

Preservice music: Blessed be the Name of the Lord - Strong Tower

Welcome and Announcements: Tracy Young

Scripture Reading: Psalms 67:1-4

Song: One True God

Song: No Longer Slaves

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-4

Song: Holy Spirit Rain Down

Pastoral Prayer: Gelacio Valdez

Offering: Video - Stay Connected

Sermon: John 15:1-4 Bill Young

Closing song: One True God

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott, Psalms 67:5-7

Greeters: Pam Ellis and Shelly Long

Ushers: Jace and Jayden Valdez

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

Friendship Café Leader(s): Stephanie Scott and Shelly Long

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Devin Scott

LiveStream Tech:

Counters:

My Take Away for Today



Answer: A (See Proverbs 20:4, ESV; Jeremiah 5:24; Jude 1:12.)

Coming Events

- **Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop**
 - **Next Church Board Meeting October 13th**
- **Pastor John and Jeanette on vacation Oct. 9th - Oct. 16th**
 - **Next Communion November 6th**
 - **Dixon's Annual Christmas Walk December 2nd**



ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today - John 15:1-4

October 16th - Bill Young preaches

October 23rd - Philippians 1:1-11 Gratitude

October 30th - Philippians 1:12-30 Unity

November 6th - Philippians 2:1-18 Humility

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

“The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.”

—Origin uncertain

~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 10/2/16

Tithe: \$707.50

Total: \$707.50

Total for September: \$707.50

Church Announcements

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Bill will be bringing the messages again next Sunday as Pastor John and Jeanette go to our district ministers Pastor and Spouse retreat and take some vacation time. Pastor John and Jeanette will be away until Oct 17th. Our primary contacts should any needs arise are Bill (head of Trustees) or Shelly (our head of Stewards)

Missionary Reading Books are here and ready to be checked out for your reading. Please see Ella to check a book out.

Thanks for your partnership and patience as we proceed with plans to continue renovation of our Community Room and begin construction on the nursery, children's and teen areas. Great days ahead!

I Shall Not Need

Despite the traditional wording ("The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want"), Psalm 23 declares that God provides everything we need — not everything we desire.

"He makes me lie down ..." Sometimes our busyness is useful; other times it's how we feel in control or superior to others. God knows we need to rest and sometimes must make us do so!

"He leads me beside still waters ..." Although we often prefer noisy distractions, God knows we need quiet to hear him and have our souls restored.

"You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies." Rather than a boast ("Ha! See how God spreads a banquet in my honor while others look on!"), this is a reminder that God wants us to dine with our enemies. We might not be able to stand those people, but God pursues reconciliation.

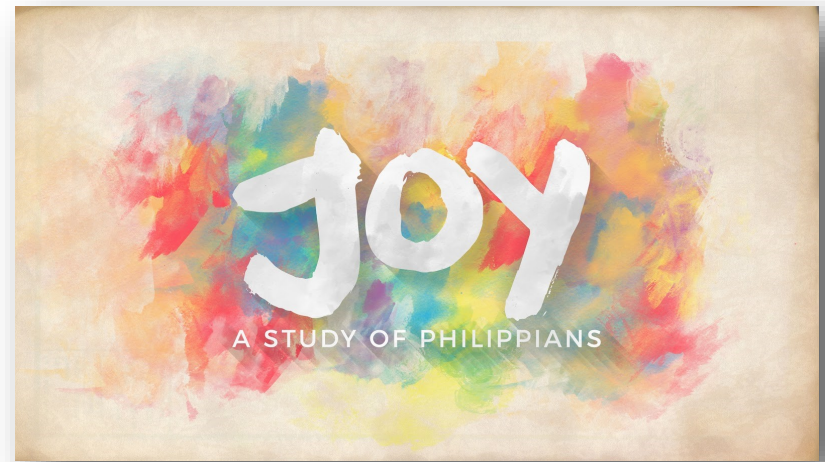
In the process, **"goodness and mercy ... follow me all ... my life."** That's what we need the most.

What Now?

God: "Whew! I just created a 24-hour period of alternating light and darkness on Earth."

Angel: "What are you going to do now?"

God: "Call it a day."



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October 23rd a rejuvenated Pastor Trotter is going to start a 6 week study of the book of Philippians. The book of Philippians was written by the Apostle Paul from Rome during the two years he spent there waiting for his case to be heard before Nero, who was Caesar at that time. The Book has several themes. Paul writes to encourage the Philippians and to express his gratitude for the concern they demonstrated to him.

Bible Quiz

It's intriguing to think of people in Bible times experiencing the same cycle of seasons we do. Which of these books doesn't mention autumn?

- A. Matthew
- B. Jeremiah
- C. Proverbs
- D. Jude



Answer on bottom of page 7

Look Up

Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind. ... As long as you are proud, you cannot know God. A proud [person] is always looking down on things and people. And, of course, as long as you are looking down, you cannot see something that is above you.

—C.S. Lewis