

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: "All by Itself, Growth in the Kingdom"
by Pastor John Trotter

Downtown Dixon
116 East First Street
Dixon, Il. 61021

Sunday Mornings

Small Groups—9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Friendship Café—10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m.
Worship—11:00 a.m. to 12:00

Wednesday Evenings Every Other Week

Prayer Time—7pm

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Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

Our Good Shepherd calls us into the safekeeping of this fold. May all gathered here feel the welcome and love of God in Christ.

Order of Service

May 7th 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: Psalm 19: 1-2, Lisa Janes

Song: Let it Rise

Song: Jesus Only Jesus

Scripture Reading: Romans 10: 9-10

Song: Holy, Holy, Holy

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Offering: Video, We Are His

Sermon: "All by Itself, Growth in the Kingdom" Mark 4:26-33, Pastor Trotter

Song: Communion

Communion

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Hebrews 1:3, Steve Scott

Greeters: Tina, and Jay

Ushers: Jay and Jase Valdez

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

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

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Drew Piper

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

Preparation for Worship

Lord, you are my Shepherd. Thank you for providing everything I need. Amen.

My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men’s group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John’s Barbershop
 - May 11th - Next Church Board Meeting
 - June 4th - Next Communion
- June 13-21, 2017 - General Assembly - in Indianapolis
- July 5-8 - Kids and Pre-Teen Camp - Lake Williamson
 - July 24-28 - Teen Camp - Lake Williamson
 - September 30th - Team Day at Pekin First

Decisions Matter

Good and evil both increase at compound interest. That is why the little decisions you and I make every day are of such infinite importance. The smallest good act today is the capture of a strategic point from which, a few months later, you may be able to go on to victories you never dreamed of. An apparently trivial indulgence in lust or anger today is the loss of a ridge or railway line or bridgehead from which the enemy may launch an attack otherwise impossible.

—C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

Equal Opportunity

When young Kelli said her prayers each night, she would bless every family member, every friend and every pet (current or past). Toward the end of her prayers, she’d say, “And all girls.” One night her father asked his daughter why she always ended that way. “Because,” she replied, “everybody else always finishes their prayers by saying, ‘All men.’”



~ Stewardship Update ~

Totals for 4/30/17

Tithe: \$678

Total: \$678

Total for April: \$5084.12

Discipleship 2017 – Begins this Wednesday, April 19th at 7pm at Lost Lake Church 4

To be good stewards of time and resources Pastor John and Jeanette will lead Discipleship Training alternating every other Wednesday at Lost Lake and Living Well. Training will begin April 19th and end August 30th with a party.

- Wednesday’s – 7:00pm with Pastor John and Jeanette, beginning April 19th
- Saturday’s – 6:30am at John’s Barber Shop in Polo with Pastor John, beginning April 22nd
- Sunday’s – 9:30am at Living Well with Bill Young, beginning April 23rd
- Sunday’s – 5:00pm at Lost Lake with Greg Langelier, beginning April 23rd
- Tuesday’s – 12:00pm at Jeanette’s Counseling Office in Dixon with Jeanette, beginning April 25th

Wednesday’s 7pm – Discipleship Training Schedule:

DATE	CHURCH	WEEK	LESSON
April 19th	Lost Lake	Intro	Intro to Discipleship
April 26th	Living Well	#1	Pursuing Holiness
May 3rd	Lost Lake	#2	Private Worship
May 10th	Living Well	#3	Public Worship
May 17th	Lost Lake	#4	Observing the Sacraments
May 24th	Living Well	#5	Witnessing
May 31st	Lost Lake	#6	Discipling Other Believers
June 7th	Living Well	#7	Stewardship
June 14th	Lost Lake	#8	Church Membership
June 21st	Living Well	#9	Casting the Vision
June 28th	Lost Lake	#10	Develop Intentional Relationships
July 5th	Living Well	#11	Identifying Spiritual Understanding
July 12th	Lost Lake	#12	Supply a Support System
July 19th	Living Well	#13	Contact Regarding Spiritual Progress
July 26th	Lost Lake	#14	Inc. into Life and Ministry of Church
August 2nd	Living Well	#15	Pray Daily for Spiritual Growth
August 9th	Lost Lake	#16	Look for Spiritual Gifts
August 16th	Living Well	#17	Enlist in Ministry
August 23rd	Lost Lake	#18	Prayer Cells
August 30th	Living Well	#19	Commitments Party

Children’s Ministry Dream Session

May 23, 2017 at 7:00pm-8:30pm
At Living Well

Anyone who has ever worked with children or would like to work with children is invited. We will be looking at ideas of how to structure Children’s Worship and Small Groups in our new space. The hope is to have 4 Dream Sessions (1 a month finishing in August) to plan and prepare for a fully staffed nursery and children’s ministry by Fall. Come with ideas and dreams to help us care for our children.

If you would like more information talk with Jeanette.

Beginning ... and Beginning Again

During the coming weeks, as you or loved ones celebrate graduation, remember it isn’t a closed door, an end or a farewell. Instead, it’s an entryway threshold, a beginning, a hello — and one of many such opportunities that mark life.

“God wants us to know that life is a series of beginnings, not endings, just as graduations are not terminations but commencements,” writes Bernie Siegel. “Creation is an ongoing process, and when we create a perfect world where love and compassion are shared by all, suffering will cease.”

Of course, we can “create a perfect world” only by letting God guide our actions. So, dear graduates, may you partner with God to meet suffering with love, kindness and compassion through all the new beginnings of your life!



“I think the pastor may have over prepared for this one.”