

## About Living Well Church

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.



July 30th, 2017

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



**Today's Sermon: The Hand of God**  
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

Prayer Time—6:30pm  
Discipleship Training 2017—7:00pm  
(At Living Well this week)

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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

Brothers and sisters, thank you for your presence at worship today. Our praise is stronger and our prayers are deeper because of each precious individual enriching the whole. Welcome!

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**Order of Service**

**July 30th, 2017**

Welcome/Call to Worship: Psalm 100:1-5, Lisa Janes

Song: In the Hands of God

Song: No Longer Slaves

Scripture Reading: Malachi 4:2

Song: Holy Spirit Rain Down

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter, Proverbs 4:20-23

Offering: Video, Friends Along the Journey

Sermon: The Hand of God, Mark 7:31-37 , Pastor Trotter

Closing Song: Christ is Enough (song of the month)

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: 1st Peter 4:11, Steve Scott

Greeters:

Ushers:

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

Friendship Café Leader(s):

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech:

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

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Preparation for Worship

“Search me, God, and know my heart ... lead me in the way everlasting” (Psalm 139:23-24, NIV). Amen.

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My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
  - August 6th - Next Communion
  - Aug 10th - Next Church Board Meeting
  - September 4th - Celebrate Family Day
- September 22-24 - No Limits Discipleship Retreat
  - September 30th - Team Day at Pekin First



“When we are troubled with temptation and evil thoughts, then we see clearly the great need we have of God, since without him we can do nothing good. No one is so good that he is immune to temptation; we will never be entirely free of it.”

—Thomas à Kempis

TITHES &  
OFFERINGS



Totals for 7/23/17

Tithe: \$579

Total: \$579

Total for July: \$2978

## Discipleship Training 2017

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. The training is also offered on Saturdays, Sundays, and Tuesdays at the times and places listed below.

- Wednesday's – 7:00pm with Pastor John and Jeanette, Follow **Discipleship Training Schedule** below
- 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
- Sunday's – 5:00pm at Lost Lake with Greg Langelier
- Tuesday's – 12:00pm at Jeanette's Counseling Office in Dixon with Jeanette

### **Wednesday's 7pm – Discipleship Training Schedule:**

DATE	CHURCH	WEEK	LESSON
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

### "Decomposing" Takes Time

Jesus, who often escaped to a deserted place with his disciples, knew that decomposition takes time. The making of good, rich, life-giving compost, for example, takes time. "You can't hurry compost for the same reason you can't hurry love and you can't hurry a soufflé," explains James Gleick, author of *Faster*. "The biochemistry has its own inherent pace." Likewise, grandchildren take time, learning a foreign language takes time, the testing of new drugs takes time, and vacations that truly enable us to rest, relax and recreate take time.

Disciples of Jesus today should recognize the need for the deserted place. It's a timeless place — a place in which long books can be read, epic movies can be watched, endless prayers can be offered, and deep thoughts can be pondered. It's a place of Sabbath-keeping and rest, renewal and relaxation, silence and inspiration. It's a place to be at ease, to become rich and fertile and mature.



Visiting Chaplain

Sunday August 20th KSB Chaplain Larry Jones will be visiting our church in the morning worship service. Chaplain Jones will be sharing some information of the Prayer Ministry recently created by his office and how we can be a part of it. As a follow up to his visit those who wish to attend a brief orientation and training are invited to attend a half hour meeting with Larry on Wednesday August 23rd at 6:30 at Lost Lake Church.



Next Sunday, August 6th, Bill and Tracy Young will be hosting a going away party for Renata, who will be leaving for College. The party will be here at the church following the service. The Young's are providing hot dogs. See Tracy if you would like to bring an item to go with the hot dogs. Thanks!

### Love Thy Neighbor

Bono, the lead singer of the Irish rock band U2, spoke in December, 2002, at a church in Lincoln, Nebraska, and at Wheaton College in Illinois. Saying forthrightly that he was a believer in God, he focused mainly upon Christ's challenge to his followers to minister to the poor. Quoting verses from Matthew 25:31-46, Bono said that there are 2,103 verses of Scripture pertaining to the poor. He pointed out that Jesus said we are to be judged by how we treat the poor. "Why is it," Bono asked, "that we seem to have forgotten this?"

"'Love thy neighbor' is not advice," he said. "It is a command."