

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 and click on the Livestream tab.

"Drink from the water / give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: Participating in the Process Mark 8:22-26
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 Lost Lake this week)

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Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

Sisters and brothers in Christ, I welcome you to worship and Christian fellowship. May you find blessing and strength in your participation here this morning

Order of Service

August 20th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: **Zephaniah 3:17**, Lisa Janes

Song: Hello My Name Is

Song: God Who Saves

Words and Music: KSB Chaplain Larry Jones

Scripture Reading: **1 Samuel 16:7**

Song: Unfailing Love

Pastoral Prayer: Lisa Janes

Offering: Video: **Small Group Apprentice**

Sermon: **Participating in the Process** Mark 8:22-26 , Pastor Trotter

Closing Song: The Lion and the Lamb (Song of the Month)

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: **Revelation 1:7-8**, Steve Scott

Greeters: Jay Valdez

Ushers: Jay Valdez

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

Friendship Café Leader(s):

Computer Tech: Devin Scott

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

Preparation for Worship

“Jesus loves me; this I know.” Thank you, Holy Spirit, for reminding me of this simple — yet profound — truth.

← My Take Away for Today →

Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - September 3rd - Next Communion
 - September 4th - Celebrate Family Day
 - Sept 14 - Next Church Board Meeting
- September 22-24 - No Limits Discipleship Retreat
 - September 30th - Team Day at Pekin First

Know Your Target

Businesses must know their target market. Writers must know their target audience. And we all make better decisions when we consider the target of our actions.

A college religion teacher set up a cardboard target in his classroom. "Draw someone who has upset you," he instructed. Students sketched ex-boyfriends or -girlfriends, coworkers who'd mistreated them, childhood bullies. Each, in turn, then placed their drawing over the bull's-eye and took aim with a bow and arrow. Afterward, the bull's-eye was riddled with holes. The students congratulated one another ... until the teacher pulled back the target, revealing Jesus' scarred, torn face.



Silence fell as he read: "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these ... you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40, NRSV).

In choosing actions — no matter the human target — remember who else will be struck by your arrows. Let's take aim with love, not hurt.

TITHES & OFFERINGS



Totals for 8/13/17

Tithe: \$539

Water: \$10

Total: \$549

Total for August: \$1520

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 23rd	Lost Lake	#18	Prayer Cells
August 30th	Living Well	#19	Commitments Party

Sunday School's Origins

Sunday school began in England as early as 1751. Better known is Robert Raikes' work in Gloucester 30 years later. Concerned about poor children who worked in factories six days a week and often turned to crime, he offered classes on the only day kids were free. Soon various organizations offered a loose network of such Sunday schools, which taught basic reading and writing, using the Bible as a text.

Ten years later, Samuel Slater started the first U.S. Sunday school in his Rhode Island textile mills. By the mid-1800s, Sunday school attendance was an almost-universal childhood experience. As society became more secular and public education was mandated by the 1870s, Sunday schools focused on spiritual practices: prayers, hymns, catechism knowledge and Scripture memorization.

Well into the 20th century, Sunday school served as the church's main outreach tool. Many adults fondly remember their teachers and lessons, and Sunday school continues to play a significant part in faith development.

To those who invest into the lives of Living Well's youth... we thank you, and praise the work you are allowing the Holy Spirit to do through you.

Team Day

TEAM DAY is designed for pastors and lay leaders to come together for one day to be encouraged, inspired and equipped to minister more effectively in their home church and community. Workshops are designed to help everyone in their area of ministry leave better prepared to face the challenges of ministry in the areas they serve.

September 30, 2017 – Pekin First Church of the Nazarene
Every Church, Every Pastor, Every Leader in one place for one day.
9:00am-1:30pm – Lunch onsite (\$5.00 donation suggested)
Plenary Sessions – Dr. Gustavo Crocker, General Superintendent

SCHEDULE:

Plenary – 9:00am-10:10am
Workshops – Session 1 – 10:20am-11:20am
Lunch/Workshops – Session 2 – 11:30am-12:30pm
Plenary – 12:40pm-1:30pm

More info coming soon!



Living Well Church



12th Annual Celebrate Family Day Picnic

Monday, September 4, 2017 from 6:30am-4:00pm

Lowell Park ~ Lions Club Shelter

Schedule of Events

6:30am - Men's Breakfast
8:00am - Canoe Trip
9:00am - Set up Shelter for Picnic
11:00am - Treasure Hunt
12:00pm - Family Picnic
1:00pm - Family Games
2:00pm - 4:00pm - 9 Square in the Air



Please bring extra food to share with family and friends.

All events are FREE for our families to enjoy!