

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: The Way of the Cross Mark 8:34 - 9:1
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.

Words of Welcome

Teachers, construction workers, parents, clerks, medical staff, community volunteers — on this Labor Day weekend, welcome to worship, where God offers renewal for the work to which you each are called.

Order of Service

September 3rd, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: **Revelation 5:13**, Lisa Janes

Song: Open the Eyes of My Heart

Song: Lord I Need You

Scripture Reading: **2nd Thessalonians 1:11**

Song: Great Are You Lord

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Offering: Video: **The Church Saved My Life**

Sermon: **The Way of the Cross** Mark 8:34 - 9:1, Pastor Trotter

Communion

Closing Song: You Are God Alone

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: **Colossians 3: 2-4**, Steve Scott

Greeters: Ella Mahnke and Deb Jensen

Ushers: Jase and Jayden Valdez

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

Friendship Café Leader(s):

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

Preparation for Worship

God, you don't often speak today in the form of a burning bush (Exodus 3).

Nonetheless, help me listen for your voice as I stand on this holy ground.

My Take Away for Today



Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Sept 14 - Next Church Board Meeting
- September 22-24 - No Limits Discipleship Retreat
 - September 30th - Team Day at Pekin First
 - October 1st - Next Communion

"DON'T WORRY ABOUT FAILURES. WORRY ABOUT THE CHANCES YOU MISS WHEN YOU DON'T EVEN TRY."

—JACK CANFIELD

Be Yourself for God

Rabbi Joseph Liebermann describes a dream where he dies and goes to stand before God's judgment seat. As he waits, the rabbi fears that the Lord will ask him, "Why weren't you a Moses ... or a David ... or a Solomon?" Instead, God surprises him by simply asking, "Why weren't you Rabbi Liebermann?"

When our lives are over, God won't ask us why we weren't a Mother Teresa or another saintly soul. He simply wants us to be who he created us to be.

"We are his workmanship," St. Paul writes in Ephesians 2:10. In Greek, workmanship means "a piece of art." You are God's masterpiece. Life isn't a game of comparison. It's a journey of discovery of how God has uniquely created you to perform specific tasks in this life.

Your life is God's canvas. Don't hinder the painting process!

—Mike Paulison



TITHES &
OFFERINGS

Totals for 8/27/17

Tithe: \$638.42

Water: \$10

Total: \$648.42

Total for August: \$3464.53

Prayer Services will in begin in September on Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm

- ◆ They will be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday nights at Living Well
- ◆ And the 2nd and 4th Wednesday nights at Lost Lake
- ◆ September 6th will be the first service held at Living Well
- ◆ If you would like to attend a Prayer Service every Wednesday night the services are open to both churches.

No Limits Youth Discipleship Retreat - September 22-24

If you have Jr. High and High School students we strongly encourage them to come to not only have a great time building relationship, but to hear Pastor Nathan's unique perspective on friendship discipleship. If you would like to donate to the cost of this retreat please write No Limits Youth Retreat in the memo of your check or place donation in a marked envelope.

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!

As we all know, Hurricane Harvey slammed into the Texas coast last week as a category-4 storm, dumping 20 trillion gallons of water on the city of Houston alone. The storm made landfall three times in Texas and Louisiana, killing at least 39 people and forcing more than 1 million people from their homes. Church of the Nazarene leaders are on the ground in Texas assessing needs as volunteers from across the state mobilize to assist their neighbors in need. Nazarene Compassionate Ministries via Nazarene Disaster Response has sent hundreds of Crisis Care Kits to the Houston area.

At least eight Nazarene churches were affected, and some of the most-affected areas have yet to be reached.

“We do have several churches with storm or flooding damage,” said Jeffrey Johnson, district superintendent for the Church of the Nazarene in South Texas. “Many of our brothers and sisters have flooded homes.”

USA/Canada Regional Director Bob Broadbooks requested prayer for families and individuals in the affected communities. “We encourage the church to join with others in prayer for those affected and first responders,” he said. “This flood is of historic proportions here.”

How to help:

Pray

Please pray for families and individuals affected by the storm and churches responding to the needs around them.

Volunteer

This disaster will require a long-term response. Leaders are currently identifying churches that can host disaster response volunteers. To learn more and fill out an information form at <http://www.ncm.org/harvey-volunteer.html>.

Give

Churches and individuals around the world can provide support through the Hurricane Harvey Fund.

To send donations by mail, make checks payable to "General Treasurer" and send them to:

Global Treasury Services

Church of the Nazarene

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