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 QUES-TIONS ABOUT LIVING WELL, OR ANY OF OUR MINISTRIES PLEASE CON-TACT 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 <u>www.livingwellchurch.org</u> and click on the Livestream tab.

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"Drink from the water | give" ~ Jesus

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Today's Sermon: Only By Prayer, Mark 9:14-29 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

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Sept. 17th, 2017

2 Welcome to Living Well Church of the Nazarene

Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome to worship!

Order of Service

September 17th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: Psalms 113:1-3, Lisa Janes Song: Your Grace is Enough Song: Cornerstone Scripture Reading: Psalms 43:3-4 Song: Healer Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter Offering: Video, Those Who Haven't Heard Baby Dedication / Reception of new members Sermon: Only by Prayer, Mark 9:14-29, Pastor Trotter Closing Song: You Are God Alone Doxology Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: 1 Timothy 4:10, Steve Scott Greeters: Ushers: Worship Team: Steve, Jeseña, Carter, Bill, Rob Friendship Café Leader(s): Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Devin Scott Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

Preparation for Worship

Prepare our hearts, Jesus, to receive your message of truth and love revealed in worship this morning .

My Take Away for Today

Sermon Notes

Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - September 22-24 No Limits Discipleship Retreat
 - September 30th Team Day at Pekin First
 - October 1st Next Communion
 - Oct 12 Next Church Board Meeting

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

Ladies Breakfast at Lost Lake

The ladies will meet the third Saturday each month from 8:30am-10:00am for a light breakfast, devotion, prayer and an outreach time. This is a great opportunity for the ladies of Lost Lake and Living Well to build relationships. Any questions please see Jeanette Trotter.



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Totals for 9/10/17

Tithe: \$1004.40 Total: \$1004.40

Total for September: \$2373.30

No Limits Discipleship Youth Retreat September, 22-24, 2017



Born and raised in Central Illinois, Nathan received an associates degree in graphic design then turned his attention to an arts education major, eager to develop artistic skills in others. Nathan and his wife Sara served on the launch team of Living Well (Dixon) and he is now an Ordained Elder in the Church of the Nazarene and currently serves as Senior Pastor of the Dekalb First Church of the Nazarene and Church Planting Pastor at

Living Well Organic also in Dekalb. He will be leading an Organic Church workshop at the upcoming Northwestern IL District Team Day in Pekin on September 30th.

Nathan most enjoys learning the practice of building meaningful relationships and teaching these skills to others. Interested in applying the arts as a means of self-expression, communication, and worship, Nathan takes joy in encouraging and helping people develop new creative endeavors in the arts. He also enjoys playing and performing various instruments, displaying and creating in many art mediums, photography, biking, walking, and playing with his children. He lives in Dekalb with his wife Sara and their son's Noah and Eli.

Friday, September 22nd 6:00pm-10:00pm at Living Well

We will begin with dinner and activity. Nathan will talk with us about Growing in Faith and Friendship. Following the message we will head over to Dan and Shelly Long's house in Dixon to hang out.

Saturday, September 23rd 6:00pm-10:00pm at Lost Lake

We will begin with a dinner and activity. Nathan will talk to us about Intentional Discipleship. Following the message we will head over to Greg and Christi Langeler's house to hang out.

Sunday, September 24th

Nathan will bring the morning message Lost Lake at 9:30am Living Well at 11:00am.

God's Left Hand

A 6-year-old and his grandma went for a walk one autumn day. "Look at the gorgeous leaves!" Grandma exclaimed. "Just think, God painted each one of them just for us!"

"Yep," said her grandson, "and he did it left-handed."

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Perplexed, Grandma asked, "Why do you think God used his left hand to create all this beauty?"

"Because," said the boy matter-of-factly, "we learned in Sunday school that Jesus sits on God's right one."

A Taste of Heaven

When an admirer asked renowned pianist Vladmir Horowitz how he could play so beautifully, he's said to have replied that anyone could play the notes, but the true music lay in the pauses between them. The same can be said of life.

Rabbi Evan Moffic (Shalom for the Heart) writes, "It is in the pauses — the rests, the spaces in between — that meaning is made and that holiness is felt." Nowadays we keep so busy there's hardly a pause or space in our day.

"But that's not the way God created us [or] the world," Moffic continues. "God worked, then rested. God created, then paused. ... Thus, our Sabbath is the day when we can marvel at the beauty of the world God created. It is the day we enjoy what the ancient sages called 'a taste of heaven.' It is a day when we stop thinking about the what of life and remind ourselves of the why of life."

Why God Watches

An English bishop recalled a childhood visit to an elderly woman, who showed him a framed text that read "Thou God seest me."

The woman told him, "When you're older, people will tell you that God is always watching you to see when you do wrong, in order to punish you. I don't want you to think of it that way. Instead, take the text home and remember all your life that God loves you so much he can't take his eyes off you."

"Nothing great in the world has been accomplished without passion."

-Georg Hegel