#### 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



Today's Sermon: by Pastor Bob Clardie

> 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 Service—7pm

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# <sup>2</sup> 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

"I am the LORD ... who brought you out of ... slavery," says God. "Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy" (Exodus 20:2, 8). Welcome to God's gift of rest and freedom!

#### **Order of Service**

October 8th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: **Psalm 34: 1-3**, Lisa Janes Song: I am New Song: God of Wonders Scripture Reading: **Psalm 23. 1,2** Song: The Cross has the Final Word Pastoral Prayer: Offering: Music Video—I Need a Savior by Among the Thirsty Sermon: **Pastor Bob Clardie** Closing Song: Here with Me Doxology Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: **Deuteronomy 4:9**, Steve Scott

Greeters: Carol Long and Jazmine Valdez Ushers: Jase and Jayden Valdez Worship Team: Steve, Bill, Rob, Amy-Jo Friendship Café Leader(s): TBD Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: TBD Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis, TBD

Preparation for Worship

Creative God, thank you for filling the world with color — bright fall leaves and people of all shades of skin, eyes and hair who gather to praise you!

My Take Away for Today

# Sermon Notes

# **Coming Events**

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
- Prayer Service 7:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Wed. of the month
  - Oct 12 No Church Board Meeting
  - October 21st 8:30am Ladies Breakfast at Lost Lake
    - October 22nd Pastor Appreciation Dinner
- October 22nd 4:30pm Chili cook off /Trunk-or-Treat at Lost Lake
  - Oct. 22 Nov. 11 Food Drive for food pantry
- October 28th 8:00am-1:00pm Halloween Downtown Dixon Trick-

or-Treating

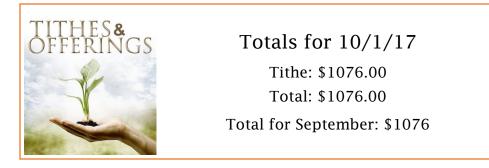
• November 5th - Next Communion



When Jesus Christ utters a word, he opens his mouth so wide that it embraces all heaven and earth, even though that word be but in a whisper. The word of the emperor is powerful, but that of Jesus Christ governs the whole universe.

—Martin Luther, Table Talk

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## Preparation for Discipleship

We have completed the training for discipleship by working through the Each One Disciple One material over the last 20 weeks. The teens have been matched with their discipler, so we are ready to take the next steps in making discipleship intentional.

**Adults** - Please begin working out the details of when you will be meeting with your disciple. If anyone needs further instruction on how to begin a discipleship relationship please meet see Jeanette for some guidance. If you are discipling a teenager, please let Jeanette know, so she can help you obtain the material you need.

**Youth** - Please see Jeanette to get your No Limits Discipleship binder and the name of the discipler who agreed to disciple you, so you are prepared to begin meeting with them. You will need a No Limits Discipleship binder, notebook and pen and a Bible when you meet with your discipler/mentor.

## Reformation Milestone: Celebration and Repentance

October 31, 2017, marks the 500th anniversary of the start of the Protestant Reformation, when Martin Luther posted his "95 Theses" on a church door in Germany. This wasn't an unusual act at the time; Luther was simply welcoming scholarly debate. But his ideas opposing certain teachings and practices of the Roman Catholic Church led to a monumental shift in Christianity.

Along with other reformers, Luther taught that Scripture is the supreme authority for the believer; that salvation comes by grace alone, through faith alone; and that baptism gives all full access to God in Christ ("the priesthood of all believers"), so there's no need for an intermediary such as a pope, priest or saint.

Initially, the reformers intended not to leave the Catholic Church but to reform it. But those who protested church practices became known as Protestants, and eventually, multiple denominations arose — Lutheranism, Presbyterianism, Anglicanism and others — and did, in fact, separate from the Roman tradition.

Sadly, woven amid the good intentions to rightly teach and live the faith were sins on all sides: Luther hurled insults "with the best of them"; the pope excommunicated him and had other reformers executed; the beliefs and faith of theological opponents were regularly disparaged. As Heinz Josef Algermissen, a present-day Roman Catholic bishop in Germany, states: "In commemorating the Reformation, we cannot just see it as a jubilee, but should also admit our guilt for past errors and repent on both sides for the past 500 years."



Church of the Nazarene Crisis Care Kits arriving in Puerto Rico How great to see the Church in action and being the hands and feet of Jesus. And although the kits Living Well assembled and sent may not go to Puerto Rico, we know that wherever they do go the need will be just as great.

Dear Jesus,

Help me to spread Your fragrance wherever I go. Flood my soul with Your Spirit and life. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly, that my life may only be a radiance of Yours. Shine through me, and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Your presence in my soul. Let them look up, and see no longer me, but only Jesus! Stay with me and then I will begin to shine as You shine, so to shine as to be a light to others. The light, O Jesus, will be all from You; none of it will be mine. It will be You, shining on others through me. Let me thus praise You in the way which You love best, by shining on those around me. Let me preach You without preaching, not by words but by my example, by the catching force, the sympathetic influence of what I do, the evident fullness of the love my heart bears to You. Amen.

—Inspired by John Henry Cardinal Newman's own prayer, prayed by Mother Teresa daily after holy communion.