

## 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.

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



**Today's Sermon: God of Re... God Relents**  
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 Service—7pm

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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

Welcome to worship on this first Sunday in Lent. May our faith be strengthened during this time.

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**Order of Service**

**February 18th, 2018**

Welcome/Call to Worship: **Psalm 108:4** Lisa Janes

Song: God with Us

Song: At Calvary

Scripture Reading: **Jeremiah 18:8**

Song: This I Believe

Pastoral Prayer: Amy Jo Higgins

Offering:

Sermon: God of Re...God Relents, Story of Jonah 3:10 Pastor Trotter

Song: Your Love Never Fails

Announcements / John / Announces the Election Results

Doxology

Dismiss: Pastor Trotter

Greeters:

Ushers: Jay and Alberto Valdez

Worship Team: Bill, Alyssa, Amy Jo, Carter, Steve, Rob

Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle, Doug Kindle

Morning Worship, Renee Kindle

Frindship Café Leader(s):

Computer: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, ?

← My Take Away for Today →

Preparation for Worship

In the often-dreary depths of winter, Lord, wrap all gathered here in the warmth of your love.

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Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
  - Prayer Service - 7:00pm on Wednesday nights
    - March 4th - Next Communion
  - March 8th - Next Church Board Meeting
    - April 6-7 - District Assembly

10 Biblical Ways to Love

1. Listen without interrupting. "To answer before listening — that is folly and shame" (Proverbs 18:13)
2. Speak without accusing. "Be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry" (James 1:19).
3. Give without selfishness. "The righteous give without sparing" (Proverbs 21:26).
4. Pray without ceasing. "We have not stopped praying for you" (Colossians 1:9).
5. Answer without arguing. "Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting, with strife" (Proverbs 17:1).
6. Share without pretending. "Speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of ... Christ" (Ephesians 4:15).
7. Enjoy without complaining. "Do everything without grumbling or arguing" (Philippians 2:14).
8. Trust without wavering. "[Love] always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres" (1 Corinthians 13:7).
9. Forgive without punishing. "Forgive as the Lord forgave you" (Colossians 3:13).
10. Promise without forgetting. "A longing fulfilled is a tree of life" (Prov13:12).

—From various websites; all Scriptures NIV

Tithes and OfferingsTotals for 2/11/18

Tithe: \$759

Water: \$10

Tech: \$10

Total: \$779

Total for February: \$1464

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2552

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### Tech Upgrades!!!!

~We are ready for several technical upgrades.~

- Necessary as soon as possible - Flat screen TV for front of Church, monitors (nursery and platform) \$1000
- Necessary sooner rather than later - Computer for Live Streaming and Switch box to Transition between cameras / necessary computer software \$2000

These special needs can be given to (in addition to our regular giving), by writing a separate check and placing (tech upgrades) in the memo of your check.

**Saturday, February 24th** - We will be having a Church Membership Class for those who are 15 years old and older from 2p-7p at Pastor John and Jeanette's house. Please sign up at the information table if you plan to attend.

**Sunday, February 25th** - This meeting is a overall look at the Ministries of Living Well Church including Systems and Procedures that facilitate planning and supporting the ministries of the church. Please sign up at the information table if you plan to attend and bring to church a sack. Bring a lunch.

**March 3rd - Iron Sharpens Iron 2018 Men's Conference in Beloit WI.** There is more information on Iron Sharpens Iron and a sign-up sheet on the A/V Tech Table in the back of the Community Room.

**Sunday, March 18th** Community Lenten Services. Living Well will be hosting the Dixon community on Sunday night March 18th at 6:00p. We will be providing refreshments following the service. Please plan now on attending!

### Married for a Mission

Jesus' command to seek first God's kingdom (Matthew 6:33) is a key component of successful, God-honoring marriages, writes Gary Thomas in A Lifelong Love (David C. Cook). In fact, Thomas says being "married for a mission" can renew many unions in which partners think they're merely incompatible. "My suspicion is that many of these couples actually suffer from a lack of purpose," he writes. "Jesus' words given to individuals in Matthew 6:33 are perhaps even truer in marriage. When we give away our life, we find it. When we focus outside our marriage, we end up strengthening our marriage."

5 **The Well**, a food distribution ministry is a partnership between KSB and Living Well Church and takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p. If you would like to help with this ministry please come to Living Well by 5:00pm through the back door (the sign above the door says Back Alley Fitness). We had 19 people served and 11 helpers on Thursday night and the rest of the meals were hand delivered to friends who need a meal.

**We could use some volunteers this morning to help us set up for The Well, if you are able to help. Please remove the two back rows of chairs and stack them in the kitchen area. Then we need 4 round tables set up with these dark brown metal chairs sat around.**

### Community Lenten Services

The Sunday evening services will have a theme of Jesus' parables from Matthew. Each week we will explore Matthew's parables.

#### Sunday Services & Locations:

6pm Tonight

First United Methodist Church, 202 S Peoria Ave, Dixon

6pm Sunday, February 25th

First Baptist, 111 E Second Street, Dixon

6pm Sunday, March 4th

Grace United Methodist Church, 921E Chamberlin St, Dixon

6pm Sunday, March 11th

Church of the Brethren, 215 North Court, Dixon

6pm Sunday, March 18th

Living Well, 116 East First, Dixon

#### Good Friday Service:

7pm Friday, March 30th

Sauk Valley Community Church, 498 Illinois Rt. 2, Dixon

Offering for Lenten services and Good Friday will benefit the PADS renovation fund for the new Women's and Children's home. Please make checks payable to DACMA.

Light refreshments and fellowship after each Sunday worship service.

For information please call Pastor Bunyan Cocar, 815-284-6823

Services sponsored by the Dixon Area Christian Ministerial Association