

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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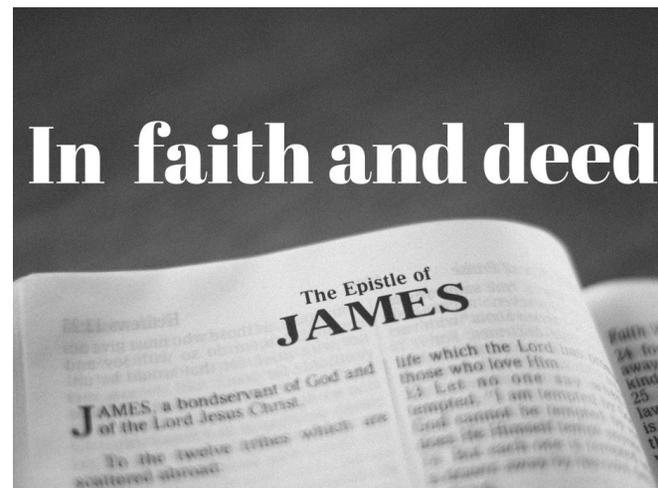
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Now Live Streaming small groups and sermons on Living Well's website.

Go to www.livingwellchurch.org and click on the Livestream tab.

"Drink from the water / give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon: In Faith and Deed
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.

Words of Welcome

Welcome to worship, and a special greeting to those who follow in God's footsteps by mothering and comforting others. Happy Mother's Day!

Order of Service

May 13th, 2018

Welcome/Call to Worship: Lisa Janes **Psalms 103:1-5**

Song: You are Holy (Prince of Peace)

Song: Here I Am to Worship

Scripture Reading: **Colossians 2: 6-8**

Song: All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Presentation of Memorial Role Certificate

Pastoral Prayer: Amy Jo Higgins

Offering: Video: I Thought I Knew

Sermon: In Faith and Deed James

Song: Fear is a Liar

Announcements: Jeanette

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Video: Mom Popsicle Sticks Come Again

Greeters: Jay Valdez

Ushers: Alberto and Jay Valdez

Worship Team: Doug, Lisa, Amy Jo, Renata, Bill, Steve, Rob

Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle

Morning Worship, Renee Kindle

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Joey Scott

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Nancy Trotter

Preparation for Worship

Loving God, thank you for all the women who've shown me your grace and brought peace and joy into my life. Amen.

My Take Away for Today



Sermon Notes

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Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - Prayer Service - 7:00pm on Wednesday nights
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
 - June 3rd - Next Communion
 - June 16 - Father/Son Luncheon, Noon-2pm

Upcoming Sermons

May 20th—James - Taming the Tongue



May 27th—James - Submitting to God



Thanks, Mom!

At his graduation, a young man tasked with giving a speech began reading from some notes. "I want to talk about my mother and the wonderful influence she had on my life," he said. "She's a shining example of parenthood, and I love her more than words can ever do justice."

The graduate then paused, appeared to struggle a moment and looked up at the audience with a mischievous smile. "It's really hard to read my mom's handwriting," he said.



Tithes and offerings

Totals for 5/6/18

Tithe: \$940

Total: \$940

Total for May: \$940

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2853

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Tech Upgrades. We are close to making our next purchase which will be a big screen TV for the front here (behind the stage). This will improve the brightness and contrast over our current projection method, and improve the experience of our in person and online attendees. If the Lord is leading you to help in this area you can designate your contribution on your check made out to Living Well Church and writing (tech upgrade) in the memo.

The Well, (Fighting Hunger Feeding Wellness) takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p. We invite you to join us, so you can flex your service muscles. We could use some volunteers this morning to help us set up. Please push the chairs up to the platform, maintaining the rows, then set up 8 round tables with 6 chairs around each table.

Ladies Group will begin May 19th at 10:00am. Please sign up at the information table if you are able to attend. We would be meeting at my office here in Dixon. We will be having a low impact workout at 9:00am for those who want to join me before the Bible Study.

June 10th Rev. Amy Jo Higgins will be bringing our morning message. She will be preaching on the Call of God, drawing on illustrations from the story of God's call on Moses; leader of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery to the promised land in Canaan.

Mothers Are...

Mothers are not the nameless, faceless stereotypes who appear once a year on a greeting card with their virtues set to prose, but women who have been dealt a hand for life and play each card one at a time the best way they know how. No mother is all good or all bad, all laughing or all serious, all loving or all angry. Ambivalence rushes through their veins.

—Erma Bombeck

Happy Mother's Day to all of our Living Well mothers!!!

"He departed from our sight that we might return to our heart, and there find him. For he departed, and behold, he is here."

—St. Augustine

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Chocolate Chip Cookies

As the elderly man lay dying in his bed, death's agony was suddenly pushed aside as he smelled the aroma of his favorite homemade chocolate chip cookies wafting up the stairs.

Gathering his remaining strength, he lifted himself from the bed. Leaning against the wall, he slowly made his way out of the bedroom, and with intense concentration, supported himself down the stairs, gripping the railing with both hands. In labored breath, he leaned against the doorframe, gazing wide-eyed into the kitchen.

There, spread upon the newspapers on the kitchen table, were literally HUNDREDS of his favorite chocolate chip cookies! Was It heaven? Or was it one final act of heroic love from his devoted wife, seeing to it that he left this world a happy man?

Mustering one great final effort, he threw himself toward the table, landing on his knees in a rumpled posture, one hand on the edge of the table. The aged and withering hand quivering, made its way to a cookie near the edge of the table; feeling the warm soft dough actually made the pain of his bones subside for a moment. His parched lips parted; the wondrous taste of cookies was already in his mouth; seemingly bringing him back to life.

He reached for another cookie. What then, was this sudden stinging that caused his hand to recoil? He looked to see his wife, still holding a spatula she has just used to smack his hand.

"Stay out of those cookies!" she said, "They're for your funeral!"



Feeding the Hungry

To allow the hungry to remain hungry would be blasphemy against God and one's neighbor, for what is nearest to God is precisely the need of one's neighbor. It is for the love of Christ, which belongs as much to the hungry as to myself, that I share my bread with them and that I share my dwelling with the homeless. If the hungry do not attain to faith, then the guilt falls on those who refused them bread. To provide the hungry with bread is to prepare the way for the coming of grace.

—Dietrich Bonhoeffer