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: To The Exiles: Seeking and Pursuing Peace 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

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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

Welcome to worship, and a special extension of friendship to our visitors. May all who gather here experience "the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding" (Philippians 4:7, ESV).

Order of Service

August 26th, 2018

Welcome/Call to Worship: Lisa Janes Psalm 96: 9,10

Song: There Is Power Song: You are Holy

Scripture Reading: John 16:33

Song: Fear is a Liar

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Offering:

Sermon: To The Exiles: Seeking and Pursuing Peace - 1 Peter 3:8-22

Song: Reckless Love

Doxology

Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Ella Mahnke and Carol Long

Ushers: Jay and Alberto Valdez Clean Team: Mike and Lisa Janes

Worship Team: Doug, Lisa, Bill, Steve, Rob

Nursery Staff: Small Group, Anna Kindle Morning Worship, Deb Jensen

Computer Tech: Brad Larson Sound Tech: Joey Scott Camera Tech: Mark Ellis LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes Counters: Pam Ellis, Asst.

Preparation for Worship

"How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!" (Psalm 84:1, NRSV). I rejoice to be in your presence!

Sermon Notes

My Take Away for Today

Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
- Ladies Group Sat. mornings @ 10:00 at Jeanette's office
- The Well Tuesday and Thursday Evenings 5:30pm—6:30pm
 - Next Communion September 2

RESTORATION MEN'S CONFERENCE October 12-13, 2018

A conference calling men of all ages to lead transformational lives as spiritual leaders in the home, church, workplace, community, and to impact society at large

Location: CENTENNIAL CHAPEL - One University Avenue Olivet Nazarene University - Bourbonnais, Illinois

A dynamic Christ-centered two days with keynote speakers, inspirational music, restoration stories, fellowship, prayer, communion, praise, and encouragement.

Conference Begins at 9:00am
October 12 - 3 sessions (Morning, Afternoon, Evening)

October 13 - 2 sessions (Morning, Afternoon)

Registration Now Open \$25 before September 1 \$35 after September 1 For more details see:

http://www.restorationmensconference.com/?utm_campaign=July% 2B2018%2BeVoice&utm_medium=email&utm_source=August%2BeVoice%2B2018



Tithes and Offerings

<u>Totals for 8/19/18</u>

Tithe: \$845 Water: \$20 Tech Upgrades: \$5 Total: \$870

Total for August: \$3242

Given for Tech Upgrades: \$2886

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Living Well Announcements

- The Church Membership Class Is on hold until we find a date that can work for everyone. Stay tuned for the new scheduled date
- Our 13th Annual Celebrate Family Day picnic is just 2 weeks away on Monday, Sept 3rd at the Lions Club Shelter in Lowell Park. Bring lawn chairs, drinks and a dish to share. Please sign up in the back for scheduled events.

6:30am - Men's Breakfast

8:00am - Canoe Trip (you are welcome to use your own kayak or canoe)

9:00am - 12:00pm - Set up for Picnic

11:00am - Treasure Hunt

12:00pm - Family Picnic

1:00pm - Family Games

1:00pm - 9 Square in the Air

2:00pm - Family Bike Ride (will need to take bikes to the upper level of the park to begin)

 The Well, (Fighting Hunger Feeding Wellness) is a partnership with KSB and Lost Lake Church and takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5:30p-6:30p.

Set Up instructions for The Well: For those of you helping with setup, please push the chairs up to the platform and stack the last row of chairs (dark purple) against the side wall. Then set up 8 round tables in space where the chairs were with 6 chairs around each table

Our Bright Beacon

We are frequently advised to read the Bible with our own personal needs in mind, and to look for answers to our own private questions. ... But better still is the advice to study the Bible objectively ... without regard, first of all, to our own subjective needs.

Let the great passages fix themselves in our memory. Let them stay there permanently, like bright beacons, launching their powerful shafts of light upon life's problems — our own and everyone's. Following such a method, we dis-



cover that the Bible does "speak to our condition" and meet our needs, not just occasionally or when some emergency arises, but continually.

-Frederick C. Grant

God's Powerful Word

The Bible contains about 800,000 words, depending on the translation. This is about four times as many words as are found in a book of average length.

Although the Bible is so long and deals with the greatest themes that can engage the human mind, its vocabulary is singularly limited. It uses only 6,000 different words, a very small number compared to the 20,000 words that Shakespeare employed while writing his plays.

Not only is the Bible's vocabulary limited, but the average word in it contains only five letters. However, many of these short words are full of the deepest meanings and are worthy of earnest study. For example, consider these five -letter words: grace, peace, faith, saved, serve, glory and Jesus.

"It was strictly forbidden to preach to other prisoners. It was understood that whoever was caught doing this received a severe beating. A number of us decided to pay the price for the privilege of preaching, so we accepted their [the communists'] terms. It was a deal; we preached and they beat us. We were happy preaching. They were happy beating us, so everyone was happy."

Richard Wurmbrand, Tortured for Christ

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One of the songs we are singing today is "Fear is a Liar". What are the lies Satan is telling you that keep you from completing the purposes that God uniquely created you for?



Thanks to Brian Hockett (See Jonah 1-4)

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