

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 and click on the Livestream tab.



Sept. 24th, 2017

"Drink from the water / give" ~ Jesus



Today's Sermon:
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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Mission Statement

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

Words of Welcome

The psalmist invites us to “seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually” (Psalm 105:4). May you sense the Lord’s presence here and throughout your days. Welcome.

Order of Service

September 24th, 2017

Welcome/Call to Worship: John 21:1-6, Lisa Janes/Pastor Trotter

Song: The Lion and the Lamb

Song: No Turning Back

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

Song: (TBD)

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Trotter

Offering: Video, Life on Mission

Sermon: Pastor Nathan Rodehaver

Closing Song: Good Good Father

Doxology

Pastoral Blessing/Dismiss: Steve Scott

Greeters: Joe and Tina

Ushers: Jase and Jayden Valdez

Worship Team: Steve, Nathan, Jeseña, Skylar, Carter, Amy Jo, Bill, Rob

Friendship Café Leader(s): Stephanie Scott and Shelly Long

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Tod Carlock

Camera Tech: Mark Ellis

LiveStream Tech: Mike Janes

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanne Carlock

← My Take Away for Today →

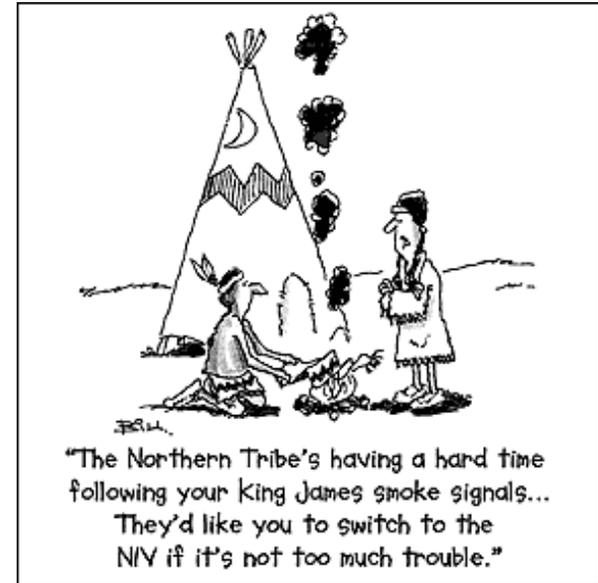
Preparation for Worship

Creative God, as you paint leaves yellow, orange and red, we praise you for nature’s beauty — different now from in the spring, but showing your glory.

Sermon Notes

Coming Events

- Men's group Sat. mornings @ 6:30 at John's Barbershop
 - September 30th - Team Day at Pekin First
 - October 1st - Next Communion
 - Oct 12 - Next Church Board Meeting



In Balance

Knowing God without knowing our wretchedness leads to pride.
 Knowing our wretchedness without knowing God leads to despair.
 Knowing Christ gives the balance.

—Blaise Pascal

TITHES & OFFERINGS



Totals for 9/17/17

Tithe: \$1008.41

Water: \$30

Total: \$1038.41

Total for September: \$3411.71

Why Lincoln Stood

When it came time for the pastoral prayer at the church Abraham Lincoln attended, the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, in Washington, D.C., the president stood up. Because most of the worshippers remained seated, someone asked the president why he stood. The president responded, “When my generals come into the Oval Office, they stand for their commander-in-chief. Isn’t it proper then, that I stand for my commander-in-chief?”



What Christian Fellowship Entails

Christian fellowship, without service and proclamation, will soon degenerate into the camaraderie of a religious country club. Christian service, without fellowship and proclamation, will inevitably turn into patronizing humanitarian activities. Proclamation, without service and the fellowship of the Christian community, is like the sound of a string that has been detached from a violin.

—Hans-Ruedi Weber in *Salty Christians*

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

The Goodwill Man

In the early years of the 20th century, a pastor in Boston had a burning passion to help the poor, those who were handicapped, and immigrants who found it difficult to adjust to American practices. With steadfast prayer and God’s hand guiding him along, the Rev. Edgar James Helms started Goodwill Industries.

Today it is a widespread movement dedicated “to help the helpless to help themselves.” It continues to help the handicapped, the jobless and the poor.

Before he died in 1943, Helms wrote the following statement:

“I, Edgar James Helms, have often been referred to as the founder of Goodwill Industries. This is not strictly true. The originator of Goodwill Industries was the Master of men, who spoke from a Galilean hillside 1900 years ago and commanded his disciples to ‘gather up the fragments that nothing be lost.’

“We, his disciples, are commanded to ‘Go thou and do likewise.’ We receive our marching orders from him, who commanded us to ‘seek and save the lost.’ He expects us to literally, ‘Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit those who are sick and in prison.’”

Down through the years, Goodwill has existed for service, not financial profits — all because of the Man from Galilee and Edgar Helms, his servant.

—Quote from
Beatrice Plumb,
The Goodwill Man
(Minneapolis: Denison Press, 1965), 228

I Am the Bible

I am the Bible, God’s wonderful library. I am always, and above all, the truth.
To the weary pilgrim, I am a strong staff.
To the one who sits in darkness, I am glorious light.
To those who stumble beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest.
To him who has lost his way, I am a safe guide.
To those who are sick in sin, I am healing strength and forgiveness,
To the discouraged, I am a glad message of hope.
To those who are distressed and tossed about by the storms of life, I am an anchor, sure and steadfast.
To those who search for salvation, I reveal the Savior of the world.
I am the Bible.
— Author unknown