

## 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 through Jesus. 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 a mini-mall in downtown Dixon, Illinois and have an active online community. We started September 11th 2005 in a hotel conference room, then moved to a movie theater for about 3-1/2 years. We have been in our current location for the last 4 years. 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 toward discovery of the joy in being a catalyst of His help and healing in the lives of others.

**What we do:** Lead in the discovery and application of God's truth or every area of life.

### 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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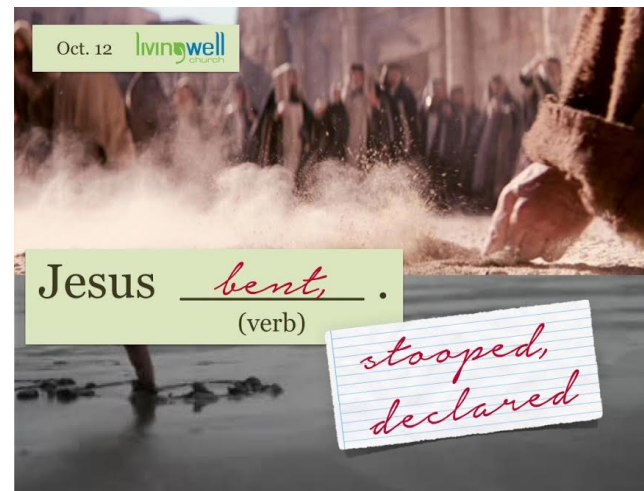
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October 12th, 2014

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"Drink from the water I give" ~ Jesus



## Today's Sermon: Jesus Bent, Stooped, Declared By Pastor John Trotter

Meeting Sunday Mornings  
 Downtown Dixon Mini-Mall  
 113 East First Street, Suite 130  
 Dixon, Il. 61021

Small Groups—9:30 a.m. to 9:55 a.m.

Friendship Café—10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship—10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

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Mission Statement

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Words of Welcome

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ ... to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen” (Galatians 1:3, 5, NRSV).

Welcome to worship!

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Preparation for Worship

“My God, how wonderful thou art, thou everlasting friend!” (hymn writer Frederick Faber, 1849). Thank you, Lord, for always being there for me. Amen.

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**Order of Service**

**October 12th, 2014**

Announcements: Bill Young

Song - Your Love, Oh Lord

Song - For the Beauty of the Earth

Song - Come, Thou Almighty King

Call To Worship - John 4:23-24

Song - Rock of Ages

Responsive Reading: The God Who Is Merciful

Song - Just As I Am

Pastoral Prayer: Bill Young

Offering

No Kids Church

Sermon: Jesus Bent, Stooped, Declared Pastor John Trotter

Closing Song - Only Trust Him

Dismiss: Pastor Trotter

Friendship Café Leader: Stephanie Scott

Computer Tech: Brad Larson

Sound Tech: Sammi Scott

Online Ministry Tech: Mike Janes

Ushers: Mark Ellis, Dan Long

Counters: Pam Ellis, Deanna Carlock

**Psalm 103:1-18**

**Min:** Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits:

**Min:** Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with loving kindness and tender mercies;

**Min:** Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.  
The Lord executes righteousness And justice for all who are oppressed.

**Min:** He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the children of Israel.  
The Lord is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy.

**Min:** He will not always strive with us, Nor will He keep His anger forever.  
He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor punished us according to our iniquities.

**Min:** For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him.  
As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us.

**Min:** As a father pities his children, So the Lord pities those who fear Him.  
For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust.

**Min:** As for man, his days are like grass; As a flower of the field, so he flourishes.  
For the wind passes over it, and it is gone, And its place remembers it no more.

**Min:** But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting On those who fear Him, And His righteousness to children's children,  
To such as keep His covenant, And to those who remember His commandments to do them.

**Splash Nursery:**

**Leader and Helpers:** Stephanie Scott / Devin Scott, Paige Carlock  
**Next Week:** Lisa Janes, Laci Long

**SHINE Small Group Leader:**

Monica Benton  
**Next Week:** Monica Benton

**Children's Worship Leader:**

No Children's Worship  
**Next Week:** No Children's Worship

**Teen Small Group Leader:**

Dan Long  
**Next Week:** Dan Long

**Adult Small Group Leader:**

Pastor Trotter  
**Next Week:** Bill Young

**COMING EVENTS**

- **MEN'S GROUP SAT. MORNINGS @ 7:30 @ JOHN'S BARBERSHOP**
  - **CONNECT WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 7PM-8:10PM**
  - **NEXT COMMUNION NOVEMBER 2ND**
  - **COMMUNITY PRAISE NIGHT NOVEMBER 9TH 6:30PM**
  - **NEXT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 13TH @ 7PM**

“Faith goes up the stairs that love has made and looks out the window which hope has opened.”

—Charles Spurgeon

**~ Stewardship Update ~**

Totals for 10/5/2014

Tithe: \$362

Total: \$362

Total For October: \$362

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Wednesday Nights 7pm—8:10pm

## Connect Groups:

Kids: Splash: Birth - Kindergarten  
K'Motion: 1st - 5th Grade

Youth: Pipeline: 6th - 12th Grade

Adult: Parenting, Spiritual Formation, Celebrate Recovery Group, Women's Recovery Groups conclude with a time of high energy worship 8:15 - 8:30



## Into Your Life or Into Christ's

An 8-year-old girl said to her pastor, "I just know that Jesus wants me to come into his life."

At first, the pastor thought she had it backwards — that is, that we should want Jesus to come into our lives. Thinking more about it, he concluded that since Christ is the life, we should indeed try to get into the one who is "the way, the truth and the life."

Are you "into Christ?"

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## What's a Christian to do with Halloween?

These days, children associate Halloween with trick-or-treating and candy. But centuries ago, Christians named the night before All Hallows' Day (All Saints' Day) "All Hallows' Eve." As the faithful prepared to remember people who were entrusted to resurrection life, they adopted various traditions to poke fun at death.

Around the world, Christians observe Halloween differently: In Poland, kids pray aloud while walking through forests to comfort souls of the dead. In Spain, tolling church bells remind people to remember the saints. In Finland, so many people light candles in cemeteries that the observance is called "seas of light." Although some Christians steer clear of Halloween, others use it as an evangelism opportunity and provide entertainment alternatives such as harvest parties.

No matter your views, you can remind children that though it's fun to pretend, we can always be ourselves with God. Whatever our features and flaws, we need not and cannot hide from God behind masks. God made us in his holy image and loves us as his holy — hallowed! — children.

## Music to a Pastor's Ears

1. We were just getting ready to leave for church when company came — so we brought them with us.
2. I know it looks impossible, but with God's help we can do it.
3. Of course I'll accept that responsibility. It will be a privilege.
4. I'm willing to help in any way I can.
5. God was really speaking to me through you during today's service.
6. I'll be glad to help you with visitations.



## ON THE SERMON HORIZON



Today we continue the 16 week "Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ (Verb)" series

Today "Jesus Bent, Stooped, Declared"  
Oct. 19th "Jesus Wept"  
Oct. 26th "Jesus Called"

Join us onsite, or via Live Stream @ [livingwellchurch.org](http://livingwellchurch.org)