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From the Council Tresident:

Welcome to 2022! It is a new year for all of us at Alpine to continue our work together in our mission to "share God's love." 2021 certainly did have it's challenges while at the same time we saw the reward of our work both with our Alpine Family and the neighborhood and community around us. Thank you to everyone who continues to donate time, talent and financial resources that allow us to continue to serve.

As we ended 2021 we also approved and began a leave for Pastor Dan. I'd like to thank Pastor Rick Meier and Pastor Pam Lojewski for their willingness to serve in the month of December. We appreciate their stepping in to fill this need. When we made the announcement regarding Pastor Dan's leave I had promised to keep everyone informed as we move forward during this time. I want you to know that we do have pastoral support. If you have any pastoral needs, please contact Lynn Valentine in our office and she will coordinate that need.

This month, as we continue Pastor Dan's leave, we will have supply pastors serving our congregation. The following schedule is currently set: January 9th Deacon Cheryl Erdmann from our Northern IL Synod office will preside; on January 16th Pastor Pam Lojewski with be with us again; January 23rd plans are still developing; and on January 30th Bishop Jeffery Clements from the Northern IL Synod will lead us in worship (Please note, there is only one service at 10 AM this day). Our Academy students will be singing on January 30th instead of the first Sunday of February as well. Thank you to all of these pastors and our Bishop for their willingness to serve us in January.

Please watch your e-mail and announcements during services about additional information. We look forward to having our Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 30th following our one worship service at 10 AM. More information will come regarding that meeting. We encourage you to share concerns or comments you'd like us to consider for discussion at this meeting. Please see myself or any member of the Church Council.

Thank you Alpine members for your continued support and desire to serve all of our Alpine Family, our neighbors and the community that surrounds us.

In His Service-Scott Dabson President Alpine Lutheran Council

Alpine Family Luminary Walk Rescheduled

Due to the snowstorm on the weekend of January 8th, we were unable to have our Alpine Family Luminary Walk. We have rescheduled it for **Saturday, January 29**th **from 6-8 PM.** Please note the time change. (It will be lighter longer by then.) If you were unable to dedicate a luminary previously, we will continue to take dedications through January 23rd. Forms are on the kiosk in the narthex.

BY THE NUMBERS

12/19/21	22 + 66	88	12/24/21	81 + 58	139	12/26/21	52
12/19 Online	e views	354	12/24 Online	views	18	12/26 Online views	7

1/2/2022 19 + 14 33 (snowstorm)

1/2 Online views 34

Required total receipts weekly......\$7,902.73

Gen Fund 12/19/21 \$5,416.00		Gen Fund 12/26/21	\$2,680.00	Gen Fund 12/31/21	\$7,018.94
Forward in Faith	\$500.00	Forward in Faith	\$840.00	Forward in Faith	\$105.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$1,646.73	Surplus/Deficit	-\$2,398.73	Surplus/Deficit	+\$6,756.21
Festival	\$2,289.00	Unexpected Blessings	\$295.00	53/54	\$7,275.00

(1/2/2022 receipts will be in next Summit)



Pray for Alpine members:

Linda Becker, Rick Bried, Cindy Bulthaus, Chris Christiansen, Ernest & Mary DeNale, Marybeth Gillette, Louise Hemenway, Rich & Jan Hill, Valerie Miller, Velma Shoudy, JR Stropes, and Pat Turmo.

Pray for our friends and family of Alpine:

Sally Atkinson, Jason Bergeron, Kim Braun, Linda Conness, Cornielia Foley, Jerome Gill, Daniel Hendrickson, Darlene Johnson, Debra Johnson, Kathleen Lovins, Todd McDonald, Sharon Mund, Judy Osiwalla, Tina Randolph, Tom Rogers, Bob Schult, Jeremy Sturges, Don Tennant, Penny Wendling, all those on the front line and those affected with Covid-19.

All in the Family

We share our love and condolences with the family of Norma Lucas. Norma passed away on December 19th.

Special Thanks

Thank you to all who donated money and food items for the Holiday Baskets at both Thanksgiving and at Christmas.

Social Ministry Committee

Worship Schedule:

Sunday Worship:

8:00 AM Traditional Worship (in-person)

10:00 AM Praise Worship/ YouTube-Facebook Live (in-person and online)

Children's Church will be meeting the first and third Sundays of the month, monthly Grab & Go packets will also be available for pick-up

Academy Chapel: 2:15 PM every Tuesday

Rejoicing Spirits: Every 2nd & 4th Thursday, via Zoom, 6:00 PM (This service is for those with developmental disabilities, their families, caregivers, and others.)

Men's Bible Breakfast: Tuesdays, Sunrise Restaurant, 7:00 AM



Please call the office at 815-399-5013 for all pastoral needs. Please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.



Praying weekly for Alpine's membership has had a very positive effect on our church! We have had many positive and thankful responses from those we have been praying for. The benefits are so great that we have decided to make this an ongoing part of Alpine's church life. Some comments we've received are "power of prayer - it works!", "just what we needed", and loads of thanks! Even though we are praying for a few families each week, please call the office whenever the need arises for extra prayers you may have.

Together we worship, together we pray, together we love.

January 16th — Cathy & Madeline Merwin; and R.C., Rhonda, Conlan, Chase & Bobby Pottinger.

January 23rd— Robert & Jarron Sproule; Jennifer Sproule; Gyla Tomlinson; and Gregory Wernick & Christine Morel.



Sunday, January 16th—Worship Services 8 & 10 AM, Pr. Pam Lojewski presiding

Sunday, January 16th—Committee Annual Reports Due Thursday, January 20th—Church Council, 6 PM Sunday, January 23rd—Worship Services 8 & 10 AM, ——presiding

Saturday, January 2^{9th}—Family Luminary Walk, 6-8 PM Sunday, January 30th—ONE Worship Service, 10 AM, Bishop Jeffrey Clements presiding

Sunday, January 30th—Annual Meeting, 11:30 AM

Official Notice:

The congregation of Alpine Lutheran Church is hereby convened for its annual meeting to take place on Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 11:30 AM. The meeting will include reports and election of members to the church council.



Sunday, January 30th is our Annual Meeting Sunday. There will only ONE worship service at 10:00 AM that day and we will have guest, Bishop Jeffrey Clements of the Northern IL Synod Preaching and presiding over worship. The service will be followed by the meeting in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 AM. At the meeting, we will be having elections for the 2022 Church Council as well as going over the financial information from 2021 and the 2022 budget.

From the SCRIP Desk:

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the SCRIP program especially for the holidays. We were able to give an unexpected blessing to the church. Please be aware that no order will be placed until January 30th for SCRIP cards. You may purchase any of the SCRIP cards but if they are not on hand you will have to wait until the end of the month to have your order filled. Sorry if this causes any inconvenience. (Deb Geeser)

KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP



Children's Church change for January and February. With Bishop Clements coming on Sunday, January 30th, the Academy children will sing on this Sunday instead of February 6th. Therefore, Children's Church will meet January 30th and February 20th. We hope to see you then! (Christian Ed)

2022 Altar Flower and Eternal Candle charts are up. Remember loved ones passed or celebrate a special event. Each sponsorship helps to defray the cost of our flowers every year and we thank everyone for contributing to this ministry. (Altar Guild)

Committee Chairpersons: The 2022 Annual Meeting will be January 30th. We need all annual reports to be sent to the office by January 16th. It would be very helpful if all reports could be in electronic form and in Word format. This makes it easier for me to do any manipulation for printing. If you are unable to submit your report this way. I will understand. Thank you for your response in this matter. (Lynn Valentine)

Please note: There was a transposition error on the birthday list. Charlotte Kallstrom's birthday should be November 1st not January 11th. We apologize for the confusion.

2021 Giving Statements will be available to pick up from the counter in the coat room next week. If you find any discrepancies please contact Lynn in the office. The statements will remain on the counter through the Annual Meeting and then any remaining will be mailed out. If you would prefer, they can be emailed out. Please let Lynn know.

Carpenter's Place is in need of items for the winter season: cough drops, disposable antibacterial bathing cloths, foot powder, hand and foot warmers, hand lotion, individual packets of tissue, and lip balm. Donations may be dropped off M-TH 8:30 to 4:00 pm and Fridays 8:30 to 2:30 pm at 1149 Railroad Avenue. We thank you for your continued support.



Happy New Year from everyone at Alpine Academy! We're excited for a new start and a great finish to the 2021-22 school year.

Alpine Academy

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Currently we have openings in a few areas. We are seeking a Classroom Aide to help teachers with our Pre School students, a Lunch Aide to assist students at lunch time, Aftercare workers to help us provide a safe and fun after school experience for students as their parents complete their work days and a general School Aide that can float into areas of need as they arise. If you or anyone you know is interested in working with students at Alpine Academy please contact me at school or church. You are welcome to call me at school 815.227.8894 or email mr.dabson@alpineacademyofrockford.com. We also have several opportunities to volunteer and are always in need of substitutes. This year we have a very slim sub list and would love to add you to it.

We appreciate the support we continue to receive from Alpine Lutheran Church and are proud to continue to be a part of the Alpine Family. May this new year bring a new opportunities to connect and work together to share Gods love. In Christ.

Scott Dabson, Director Alpine Academy



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Sun. Worship Times 8:00 & 10:00 AM



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THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday, January 16, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Karl Okeson, Randy Teske
(10:00) Jim Burnett, Dick Nelson
Lector: (8:00) Randy Teske
(10:00) Jari Sproule
Lay Assistant: (8:00) Deb Okeson
(10:00) Mike Schultz
Praise Singer: Becky Toro

Sunday, January 23, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Bryan Garrett, Tonya Mund (10:00) Mari Hanson, John Linde Lector: (8:00) Bob Fanello (10:00) Craig Shelton Lay Assistant: (8:00) Bob Fanello (10:00) Craig Shelton

Praise Singers: Chuck & Lynn Valentine



It is important that you receive our emails or notices on Facebook to know the most up to date information for Alpine Lutheran. If you would like to add your email to our list please notify Lynn in the office. You may find us on Facebook by searching Alpine Lutheran Church of Rockford. Like the page and then turn on notifications for new posts.

The January/February edition of the *Living Lutheran* is now available for you to pick up, read and then share with someone. The cover story is entitled "Epiphany: A Time to Pay Attention". "This Epiphany, we can take a cue from a child: Keep your head up and look around to notice the ways God appears to us."