

Special points of interest:

Sunday Worship 8:00 AM Traditional 10:00 AM Praise 10:00 AM Facebook Live

Church Office Hours Mon.—Thurs. 8:30 AM—4:30 PM (Lunch 12:30—1:30)

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From the Council President:

This Summit is the first following our recent Annual Meeting. Our Annual Meetings each year provide us with a recap of what we, together, accomplished in the previous year. Our meeting also begins to prepare us for the year ahead and the vision of what God will do to work through us to accomplish our mission to "share God's love."

We learned much about how our congregation continues to come together to serve one another and our community. Last year many members of Alpine stepped up to ensure that even while the pandemic continues to run through our world, we are caring for each other. On January 30th during our meeting I particularly recognized Richard Nelson and Pam Hemenway, as they have continued to be steadfast in sharing their love for this congregation and it's members. It seems throughout the past couple of years Richard and Pam have found God's call for them in seeking out those in our family who have a need due to illness or health. As I stated at our meeting we continue to appreciate the great work these two are doing to support those Alpine family members in need. My hope is that all of us can take their example and seek out what God is calling us to do to share his love. There are many opportunities to invest in God's people and I'd encourage you to take time to consider what God might be calling you to do. Last year was another tough year for everyone, but, at Alpine we continue to provide a positive caring and active space.

This year, our 80th, I look forward to working together with all of you to continue to share God's love throughout our community. We are currently seeking members to join in creating an 8^{0th} Anniversary Committee. This committee will be tasked with helping us to celebrate 80 years of ongoing ministry here at Alpine. If you are interested in joining this committee please let the office or anyone on our Church Council know. In our 80th year we begin still working through the affects of the pandemic, however, just as we've been able the past couple of years, we look forward to continuing to provide ministry to our members, our neighbors, our community and the world in many unique ways. We will continue to work on our outreach efforts and provide events for our community. Please join us again this year in creating these opportunities of ministry together.

Thank you to everyone in our Alpine Family for your continued support and involvement in our family. Thank you for supporting our ministries, especially Alpine Academy. We are stronger today because of all our efforts. We will be stronger tomorrow as we continue our work together. Remember, "Called by Christ, Our Mission is to share God's love."

BY THE NUMBERS

| 1/23/22 | 15 + 29 | 44 | 1/30/22 One Service | 96 |
|-------------|---------|----|---------------------|----|
| 1/23 Online | views | 16 | I/30 Online views | 15 |

Required total receipts weekly......\$7,458.56

| Gen Fund 1/23/22 | \$7,619.00 | Gen Fund 1/30/22 | \$13,194.00 |
|------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------|
| Forward in Faith | \$3,618.00 | Forward in Faith | \$4,513.00 |
| Surplus/Deficit | +\$3,778.44 | Surplus/Deficit | +\$10,371.44 |

Unexpected Blessings.......\$23.00 53rd/54th week......\$100.00

*Please note that some totals include full-year giving



Pray for Alpine members:

Linda Becker, Rick Bried, Cindy Bulthaus, Chris Christiansen, Ernest & Mary DeNale, Marybeth Gillette, Louise Hemenway, Rich & Jan Hill, Dave Lillegaard, Glen McDonald, 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

Birthday thanks came in from **Joni Graham**. The family of **Norma Lucas** wishes to thank Alpine for the love and support shown to Norma.

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.

February 13th — Bob & Laurel McVinnie; Karl & Deb Okeson; and Keenan, Samantha & Elia Perry

February 20th— Jan Rungren; Velma Shoudy; Rich, Erika, Peyton, Reed & Rowan Hillabolt; and Howard & Carol McCracken



Thursday, February 10th—Rejoicing Spirits via Zoom, 6 PM Saturday, February 12th—Organizational Council Meeting, 9 AM

Monday, February 14th—Academy Board Meeting, 3:30 PM Saturday, February 19th—Tina Beauregard Wedding, 2 PM



Children's Church change for February. Children's Church will meet 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. The flower sponsorship is \$20 a week; the eternal candle sponsorship is \$10 per month. We thank everyone for contributing to this ministry. (Altar Guild)



Lent is right around the corner and plans have begun for our Lenten materials and services. We would like to bring back our **Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers**. With the shrinking numbers in our committees, we need your help. We are looking for volunteers to bring soups, bread and desserts and to help with the meals. A sign-up poster will be going up soon. We hope to get enough volunteers to allow us to bring back this popular fellowship.

From the SCRIP Desk:

Have you gotten your sweet a sweet? Valentines Day is just about here. If you are having a hard time deciding what to get your someone special ask our friendly SCRIP volunteers and they can give you some suggestions that might appeal to your loved one. (Deb Geeser)

KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP

Alpine Academy is having a Recognition Brunch, Saturday, March 5th from 9 to 11 AM at the Stockholm Inn. This brunch is an opportunity to show appreciation to former staff, volunteers, supporters and donors. This year they recognize **Bob McVinnie**, former Alpine Academy Principal, and **Pat Turmo**, long-time volunteer. Tickets are \$20 which includes the cost of the meal. Please call the school office, 815-227-8894, or see Scott Dabson for tickets.

The February **Katie's Cup Book Club** will meet via Zoom. This month's book discussion will be about "The Yellow House" by Sarah M. Broom. "A moving tribute to family and a powerful indictment of societal indifference." -Booklist To join the discussion please contact katiescuprockford@gmail.com to receive the needed Zoom link.

Thank you to everyone who attended our **Annual Meeting,** Sunday, January 30th. We were able to vote in our 2022 Council members, passed the 2022 Budget, and were able to discuss our surveys that were filled out regarding the future direction of Alpine.

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour—It's great spending time between services enjoying conversations with other members and visitors. It's especially nice when you can share a bite to eat and a beverage. We need volunteers to provide those snacks (purchased or home baked). We also love to have you celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, or other special occasions with your Alpine family. Just sign up on the poster by the coffee. (Laurel McVinnie)

February's Organizational Council Meeting will be a workshop for all returning and new Council members. We will meet on Saturday, February 12th at 9 AM. This meeting usually lasts around 2 hours. Food and coffee will be provided.

Our 3rd Quarter at Alpine Academy had a bumpy start with students and staff not returning from break due to sickness. At one point we had a quarter of our students out. We do know that there was no spread of illness in our school as the sickness was from Christmas break. We also were happy to know that it was more of flu symptoms and not Covid.

Within about 2 weeks of our return we were back to 100%. We are now off and running and our students are back to learning together in the classroom. We are so very proud of how they returned ready to learn and excited to be together. In the month of February we are focusing our Chapel time on "Kindness." This fits in great with this Valentine's month. I am looking forward to seeing and hearing about the number of ways our students share Kindness with those around us. Watch for "Kindness" from our students yourself this month, I'm sure it'll be coming your way.

As noted in this Summit we have an event coming up in March. Our "Recognition Brunch", please plan to join us as we recognize the efforts of two of our Alpine Family, Mr. Robert McVinnie and Ms. Pat Turmo. Both have shared God's love with our students, families and all who come to visit Alpine. Let's celebrate them together. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

In Christ, Mr. 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, February 13, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Jim Anderson, Bob Fanello (10:00) John Linde, Marge Rakoczy
Lector: (8:00) Bob Fanello (10:00) Allen Neumann
Lay Assistant: (8:00) Lori Fanello (10:00) Allen Neumann
Praise Singer: Jaime Doubek

Sunday, February 20, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Karl Okeson, Randy Teske (10:00) Jim Burnett, Dick Nelson Lector: (8:00) Randy Teske (10:00) Craig Shelton Lay Assistant: (8:00) Deb Okeson (10:00) Craig Shelton

Praise Singers: Chuck & Lynn Valentine



Please prayerfully consider volunteering for a ministry at Alpine. It is becoming more and more difficult to complete our "Those Who Serve" schedule especially during our "snow-bird" months. If you are interested in the any of the areas of serving, please contact the church office and we will direct you to the person who heads up each volunteer position. (Laurel McVinnie)