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From the Pastor:

Pastor Dan's Top 10 Ways to Encounter God this Summer!

Summer is often associated with vacations, hot weather, free time, fun, etc.... No matter what is going on throughout the summer, I love connecting with God outside by simply grabbing a chair and sitting in a beautiful spot with my Bible and enjoying my favorite summer beverage. I encourage others to spend time soaking in the beauty of God's creation as you connect with God in prayer, go for a walk, admire the trees, smell the flowers, and listen to the song of the birds. Spending time with God in God's creation is such a powerful way to connect with God! Here are some additional fun ways to connect with God (besides the obvious prayer, read your Bible and go to church).

- I. Admire God's creation. Write, journal or paint what how you see God in God's creation.
- 2. Listen to Scripture: Download a free Bible app on iTunes or Google Play. As you take a walk, tend to your garden, or fold the laundry, you can allow God's Word to soak into your soul!
- 3. Listen to the Sounds of Creation.
- 4. Listen to Worship Music
- 5. Keep a Travel-sized Bible Nearby. Take it with you wherever you go and read the stories of Jesus or Creation.
- 6. Volunteer you time to help those in need
- 7. Try a Summer-themed Bible journaling kit or Summer-themed Devotional
- 8. Read a Good Book
- 9. Pray for those who are Traveling "But let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you (Psalm 5:11)." Use a traveler's notebook for quick journaling, note taking, or keeping track of prayer requests.
- 10. Open your Home to Others. Invite others for a meal, picnic, a short stay or whatever. Make your home a place where others encounter God's grace.



BY THE NUMBERS

6/26/22	41 + 43	93	7/3/22	36 + 45	81
6/26 Online vie	ews	17	7/3 Online view	ws	12

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

Gen Fund 6/26/22	\$3,652.00	Gen Fund 7/3/22	\$8,567.00
Forward in Faith	\$2,328.00	Forward in Faith	\$2,328.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$1,478.56	Surplus/Deficit	+\$3,449.44

Unexpected Blessings.....\$13.00

Surplus/Deficit YTD...... +\$16,606 (5/31/22 includes several full year pledge fulfillments)



Pray for Alpine members:

Linda Becker, Rick Bried, Cindy Bulthaus, Mary DeNale, Marybeth Gillette, Louise Hemenway, Rich & Jan Hill, Jim Hill, Les Johnson, Dave Lillegaard, Valerie Miller, JR Stropes, Don Torgerson and Pat Turmo.

Pray for our friends and family of Alpine:

Sally Atkinson, Iris Blake, Kim Braun, Linda Conness, Cornelia Foley, Steve George, Jerome Gill, Daniel Hendrickson, Darlene Johnson, Shirley & Larry Kagel, Kathleen Lovins, Todd McDonald, Sharon Mund, Dave Nelsen, Judy Osiwalla, Bob Schult, Jeremy Sturges, Don Tennant, Penny Wendling, all those in the Ukraine conflict.



Birthday thanks came in from Jan Anderson & Jack Phillips.

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 when children are present, monthly Grab & Go packets will continue to be available for pick-up.
- Academy Chapel: 2:15 PM every Tuesday (none in Summer)
- Rejoicing Spirits: Every Ist (in person) & 3rd (Zoom)
 Thursday, 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



Pastor Dan's office hours: Mondays 12:00-3:00; Tuesdays 9:00 – 3:00; Wednesdays 9:00 – 3:00; and Thursdays 1:00 – 3:00. He is also available at other times by appointment.



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.

July 17th — Lisa Slothower; Tina Gonzalez; and Dave & Madison Blascoe

July 24th— Jennifer Sproule; Amanda Meyers; and Nan Strom



Monday, July 11th—Academy Board, 3:30 PM
Wednesday, July 13th—Faith Net, 5:30 PM
Sunday, July 17th—Meeting with Shepherd of the Valley, 12 PM
Sunday, July 30th—Ice Cream Social, Gym, 1 PM

Summer Events

July 30th—Ice Cream Social August 21st—Alpine Fest

These events have been very successful in the past and we anticipate they will be great fun again. We will need volunteers to help plan and run these events. Please see Scott Dabson if you are willing to help.



Join us **Saturday**, **July 30**th, Alpine will host an **Ice Cream Social** in the gym at I PM. We are looking for volunteers to help set-up, serve ice cream, and help with clean up. Please see Scott Dabson if you can volunteer.

We continue our Summer Worship Series "The Hero of the Bible". Each week we will discuss a story from the unsung heroes of the Bible who are led by the Hero of the Bible, God. See how God leads them, like he leads us, to be great.

Synod Youth Worship Day with Bishop Jeffrey Clements! On Sunday, July 24, from 3-6 PM, the Synod will hold a worship service at Zion Lutheran/Patriots Gateway, 925 5th Ave. There will be worship, games, food, fun! We plan to be outdoors, or inside if inclement weather. We encourage each of the youth to bring a blanket or lawn chair.

From the SCRIP Desk:

Can you believe that half of the summer has gone by already? Soon it will be time to start buying school supplies. Why not stock up on SCRIP cards for those supplies now? SCRIP has Walmart, Target, Walgreens & CVS. You could even buy extra supplies for the "Stock the Bus" collections for those in need.

KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP

Are you on Facebook? Search for "Alpine Lutheran Church of Rockford", then like and follow our page. You will be able to see and follow any Alpine events that are posted to the page. When there is an event posted, if you click like and share, all of your friends will see the event too. What a great way to share what is going on at Alpine with others! (Scott Dabson)

Do you enjoy the fellowship during our coffee hour? Why not provide treats to be served. You do not need to be a master baker, purchased treats are just as good. We also need juice to be served along with the coffee. Then all you need to do is man the table. (Help with clean-up is also appreciated.) A sign-up sheet is available by the coffee.

As summer continues and our Thunderland Summer Day Camp moves on, we've had a pretty fun summer this far. Halfway through the summer also means we're inching closer to a new school year. Planning, meeting with Teachers and staff, meeting new families and welcoming them into our Alpine Family are regular parts of our day and week. Looking forward to having our hallways filled with our students and families in just over a month again.

In planning for next school year we are also planning Open House Events. We list these on Facebook and will provide copies of these dates to be available to pickup at Church. Please help us by sharing these events with your family and friends who might be looking for a great school for their child in Pre School through 6th Grade. Encourage them to call the school to set up a private tour or attend one of our Open House Events. A big one coming up is our Ice Cream Social on July 30th at I:00pm, we'd be happy to provide a tour during the Ice Cream Social.

I would like to thank everyone who joined us for our breakfast to discuss the Invest In Kids Act with Bobby Slyvester from Empower Illinois. We hope this event helped to make you more informed about the Invest In Kids Act where it started, what has improved and where it's going next. We are still in need of donors to help support scholarships for students to attend Alpine Academy. There are currently 37 students on a waitlist waiting for a potential scholarship. The Invest In Kids Act has allowed us at Alpine Academy to connect with many students and families while in so many cases being the first to share Jesus with them.

I look forward to sharing good news as we prepare for another successful school year at Alpine Academy and thank everyone in our Alpine Family for continuing to support this ministry. Your support, prayers and gifts to this school are an amazing testament to your love of what we do. God has continued to flow through our school these past 24 years and we look forward to that same spirit as we prepare for our 25th School Year at Alpine!

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, July 17, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Mike Schultz, Randy Teske (10:00) Jim Burnett, Dick Nelson

Ambassadors: (8:00) Jack & Carla Phillips (10:00) DiAnne Beynon, Amanda Dabson

Lector: (8:00) Randy Teske (10:00) Lisa Slothower

Lay Assistant: (8:00) Andrea Tack

(10:00) Violet Peterson

Praise Singer: Becky Toro

Sunday, July 24, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Bob Fanello, Volunteer
(10:00) Mari Hanson, John Linde
Ambassador: (8:00) Les & Carol Johnson
(10:00) Terry & Pam Hodges
Lector: (8:00) Bob Fanello
(10:00) Martin Scott
Lay Assistant: (8:00) Lori Fanello
(10:00) Nancy Matthews
Praise Singers: Chuck & Lynn Valentine