



**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 PM)

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*From the Council:*

**Introducing Alpine's Interim Pastor**

On October 12, 2023, the Alpine Church Council met with and approved The Rev. Don Wink as interim pastor.

Pastor Wink has been serving as pastor to the Lutheran Church of the Atonement in Barrington, Illinois for over 20 years. As he approaches retirement, he is entering a new phase of his call to ministry.

Pastor Wink's first Sunday with us will be December 3, 2023. It is appropriate that December 3rd is the first Sunday in Advent, the start of the church year. While Pastor Don prepares to leave his long-time call, Pastor Rick Meier has offered his service to the Church Council to fill in until Pastor Wink can join us. The Church Council gratefully accepted Pr. Rick's offer. The task of scheduling supply pastors has become increasingly difficult and time consuming.

Pastor Don will be returning to Barrington after the December 3<sup>rd</sup> worship services for his farewell event with his Atonement church family. Our welcome event will be scheduled later.

After Pastor Wink starts his ministry with us, Alpine will officially be able to start Phase 2 of the call process: transition. A transition team will be selected by the Church Council to lead us through the self-study process resulting in the creation of our Ministry Site Profile needed for Phase 3 (the Call Process). Congregation members will be asked to assist with determining what we want for our church and what we need from a pastor.

Pastor Don Wink may be able to join us for the 11:15 AM Thanksgiving worship service and Feast on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. Although he can't officiate at the worship, you may be able to meet him that day. It is the only Thanksgiving worship this year.

The Church Council feels the Holy Spirit has answered our prayers and is moving us to know how to better fulfill our mission to share God's love. We are excited to welcome Pastor Don Wink to join us in that mission.

(Alpine Church Council)

**BY THE NUMBERS**

10/22/23	22 + 36	58	10/29/23	108
Online Views		8	Online Views	13

Required total receipts weekly.....\$7,759.44

Gen Fund 10/22/23	\$1,761.00	Gen Fund 10/29/23	\$3,679.00
Forward in Faith	\$280.00	Forward in Faith	\$1,810.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$5,698.44	Surplus/Deficit	-\$1,986.44

53/54 Week.....\$225.00      Unexpected Blessings.....\$79.00

Year to Date Deficit (Sept.).....-\$21,554.75



**Pray for Alpine members:**

Wendy Barton, Bill & Diane Billert, Cindy Bulthaus, Mary DeNale, Rolly Greenland, Jan Hill, Jim Hill, Pam Hodges, Les Johnson, Kyle MacCrindle, Glen McDonald, Valerie Miller, JR Stropes, Melissa Stucky, Bob Swenson, Jeanne Tengren, and Pat Turmo.

**Pray for our friends and family of Alpine:**

Sally Atkinson, Kim Braun, Lindsay Earnest, Cornelia Foley, Daniel Hendrickson, Darlene Johnson, Larry Kagel, Don Moorhouse, Rev. Willard Olson, Judy Osiwalla, Bob Schult, Derek Sisson, David Teeters, Don Tennant, Penny Wendling, Ali Younglove, and all those in the Ukraine conflict.

**All in the Family**

Birthday thanks came in from **Ardy Stevens, Mary DeNale** and **Kathy Mund. Glen McDonald** would like to thank everyone for the many cards and prayers he has received recently.

**Worship Schedule :**

- **Sunday Worship:**  
8:00 AM Traditional Worship  
10:00 AM Praise Worship/ YouTube-Facebook Live
- **Children's Church** will meet at the 10 AM worship during the service, monthly Grab & Go packets will continue to be available for pick-up.
- **Academy Chapel:** 2:15 PM every Tuesday 1st—6th grades, 9:15 AM every Friday Preschool—K Everyone is invited.
- **Rejoicing Spirits: Every 1<sup>st</sup> (in person) & 3<sup>rd</sup> (Zoom) Thursday, 6:00 PM** This service is for those with developmental disabilities, their families, caregivers, and others.
- **Tuesday Bible Breakfast:** 8:00 AM Tuesdays, Sunrise Restaurant
- **Wednesday Bible Study:** on Hiatus.
- Thursday Bible & Brews:

**Pastoral Needs:** Please call the office with any pastoral needs while we are in transition and looking for a pastor. We will return your call with any further information.



**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 on-going 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.**

**November 12<sup>th</sup>**— Renee Evans, Roger, Norah, Shawn Dittbenner, & Elizabeth Ulrich; and Andrea Tack, Pete & Sam Todd.

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** — Bob & Violet Peterson; and Tom & Cathy Funk

**Sunday, November 12, 2023**

**Ushers:** (8) Bob Fanello, Volunteer (10) DiAnne Beynon, Bob Peterson  
**Ambassadors:** (8) Les & Carol Johnson (10) Volunteers  
**Lector:** (8) Bob Fanello (10) John Fridh  
**Lay Assistant:** (8) Nancy Matthews (10) John Fridh  
**Praise Singer:** Jaime Doubek

**Sunday, November 19, 2023**

**Ushers:** (8) Karl Okeson, Randy Teske (10) Jim Burnett, Dick Nelson  
**Ambassadors:** (8) Deb Okeson, Volunteer (10) Amanda Dabson, Mari Hanson  
**Lector:** (8) Andrea Tack (10) Bob McVinnie  
**Lay Assistant:** (8) Andrea Tack (10) Bob & Laurel McVinnie  
**Praise Singer:** Becky Toro



**All Saints' Sunday was November 5<sup>th</sup>.** We acknowledged all those saints who went before us in the past 12 months. Those saints were: **Richard Bried, Kay Lamphere, Louise Hemenway, Don Torgerson, Dottie Rumpel, Marcella Mace, Bob Radford, and Alex Todd.**

With our Snow Birds beginning their migration south, there are many openings in our **Those Who Serve volunteer schedule.** If you notice "volunteer" written in for a duty that you can help with, we appreciate anyone stepping in to assist. Thank you in advance. (Lynn Valentine)

**From the SCRIP Desk:**

Thank you to everyone who has been patient while we try to sell out as much of our stock as possible. We should be able to continue making orders for your cards on or around the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. **Please take a look at what cards you may want for the upcoming holidays and order early.** (Jody Dabson)

**KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP**

You are invited to attend the annual Alpine Academy **Veteran's Day Program** on **Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM** in the gymnasium. Come and hear the children as they honor those who have fought for our freedom.

**Tuesday "Men's" Bible Study:** Tuesday Bible Study Breakfast at Sunrise Restaurant is making some changes. The first change is to start a little later at 8:00 am! Also, over the years women have occasionally participated, and it's time we just call it a Bible study, not just a men's group; so women and couples should know they are welcome! Our agenda, besides a good breakfast, is to study the Scriptures for the coming Sunday. Having gone through them together, we are better prepared for worship! Please give thought to joining us at 8:00 at the Sunrise. (Pr. Rick Meier)

**Bible & Brew Begins Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>!** Alpine Outreach Committee is launching Bible & Brew, a Bible study held at Dusty Boots at 7 PM. We will be discussing The invitational Christian by Dave Delbert. There will be copies available at the Bible Study. (Scott Dabson)



Alpine and Alpine Academy, will have a **Thanksgiving worship** service on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:15 AM. The Academy will host a Thanksgiving Feast in Fellowship Hall at 12:00 following the worship service. Come and give thanks to God for all of the blessings he has bestowed upon us. Invite your neighbors, family and friends to attend as well.

The **Social Ministry Committee** has begun collecting for the **Thanksgiving Holiday Food Baskets.** All items need to be collected by Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Here is a list of items needed: instant mashed potatoes, Stove Top Stuffing, canned green beans, canned corn, dry gravy packets or canned gravy, canned cranberry sauce, canned fruit, and Jell-O. Additional non-perishable non-expired foods can be donated for the families. As always, money to purchase the foods can also be donated. Please make a notation for the baskets on your check. Food collection will continue in December for our Christmas baskets. We thank you again for your generosity in helping others.

**Alpine Academy** is planning a meal to follow our 11:15 AM Tuesday worship service the week of **Thanksgiving.** To help control the costs, they are asking for donations of turkeys to serve. They also need volunteers to cook turkeys, help serve the meal, and help with clean up. Please Scott Dabson if you can help in any way, 815-494-3002.

Altar Guild are collecting orders for the **Christmas Poinsettias.** The cost will be \$15 per plant (red only). Order envelopes will be on the kiosk in the narthex and will be collected until Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. (Laurel McVinnie)

If you have a **key card** for the church that has STAFF written on it, please see Lynn in the church office. It was used last on September 8<sup>th</sup> around 4 PM.



**Join us for Children's Church!** We meet during the 10 AM service. We are now having the kids leave the service at the beginning of the worship service allowing more time for learning.



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



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**Called by Christ, our mission is to share God's love.**



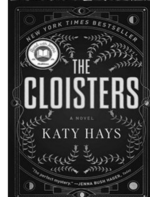
CARPENTER'S PLACE™

**Donation Needs for October**

With the change of seasons, the needs of our guests change as well. The number of guests that we serve every day is growing fast, and our 'Needs List' is now longer and more diverse than ever. Today, with your help, we can fulfill the most urgent of these each and every day, on the fly. Critical Needs: Men's Boxers (M- XXXL), Men's Jeans (28-38), Men's and Women's T-Shirts, Backpacks, Sleeping Bags, Men's Reading Glasses (1.00-3.00), Garbage Bags (33 and 55 Gal.), 8 oz Disposable Coffee Cups, Hot Sauce, Q-Tips, Travel Size Lotion, Men's Disposable Razors, Men's Deodorant, and Diapers (6 & 7).



**Katie's Choice  
 Book Club**  
**Thursday**  
**November 9**  
**10 am**



**The Cloisters**  
 By Katy Hays  
 Free and open to all – Discussion at Katie's Cup