



From the Pastor's desk:

Special points of interest:

Sunday Worship
***9:00 AM Summer**
Blended Worship
9:00 AM YouTube Live

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

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Monday, August 3, 2026

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Happy August, Alpine community!

This month we have wonderful things to look forward to.

We are thrilled to host Alpine Fest again this year on August 16th. Please invite your family and friends! If you would like to help and volunteer for set up, day of events, or tear down, please contact Morgan Dabson!

At the end of this month our partners at the YMCA will officially be moved in! We are so excited to be able to partner with our community organization to host neighboring children from 4 different elementary schools for an after school program! This will be a wonderful use of our space and an incredible opportunity to make deeper connections with our broader community.

All committees will meet in August, after taking July off.

On August 29th we will have a council retreat at Camp Winnebago during the day. In the evening we invite the whole congregation to join us for worship at camp and dinner fellowship to follow. Council will provide the main dishes, please bring a side dish to pass!

August will be our last month of gathering for one service on Sunday mornings. Come September, we will return to two services at 8am and 10am.

Blessings to you all!

Pastor Rachel Perkins-Gama

BY THE NUMBERS

7/19/26 Summer	64	7/26/26 Summer	55
Online Views	10	Online Views	18

Required total receipts weekly.....\$6,348.62 (after loan refi)

Gen Fund 7/19/26	\$2,725.00	Gen Fund 7/26/26	\$1,488.01
Forward in Faith	\$835.00	Forward in Faith	\$585.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$2,298.62	Surplus/Deficit	- \$3,475.61

Unexpected Blessings.....\$1,300



Pray for Alpine members:

Wendy Barton, Tim & DiAnne Beynon, Diane Billert, Mike Bukowski, Beverly Clayton, Kathy Cordonnier, Rolly Greenland, Pam Hodges, David & Marianne Hoel, Bob Lundgren, Glen McDonald, Valerie Miller, Kathy Mund, Ramijio Rivera, JR Stropes, and Pat Turmo.

Pray for our friends and family of Alpine:

Sally Atkinson, Brynn Ballard, Kim Braun, Daniel Hendrickson, Sandy Jackson, Darlene Johnson, Bill LeGault, Serenity Messenger, Danny Moorhouse, Michael Moorhouse, Peggy Moorhouse, Rev. Willard Olson, Bob Schult, Bob Swenson, Don Tennant, Ali Younglove, and all those in the middle of various conflicts of war.



Birthday thanks came in from **Pam Hodges** and **Deb Okeson**.

Worship Schedule :

- **Sunday Worship:**
*9:00 AM Summer Blended Worship
9:00 AM YouTube-Facebook Live
- **Children's Church** will meet at the 10 AM worship during the service through 5/31, summer Grab & Go packets will be available for pick-up.
- **Adult Forums** will be on pause. Please watch your Summit for announcements of future dates.
- **Rejoicing Spirits: Every 1st Thursday**, 6:00 PM This service is for those with developmental disabilities, their families, caregivers, and others.
- **Tuesday Bible Breakfast:** 8:00 AM Tuesdays, Stockholm Inn Restaurant



Pastoral Needs: Pastor Rachel will be off on Mondays and in the office Tuesday afternoons, Wednesday, and Thursday. She will also be available by appointment on Fridays. All other times, please contact the office, 815-399-5013.



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.**

July 26th— Christine Morel; Gregory Wernick; Jim Stropes, Jr.; and Tim & DiAnne Beynon.

August 2nd — Jessica, Arayah, Joslyn & Remijio Rivera; Linda Becker; and Joseph & Judah Barron.

Sunday, August 9, 2026

***One Service—9AM**

Ushers: Bob Peterson, Mike Schultz
Ambassadors: Carol Johnson, Deb Okeson
Lector: Violet Peterson
Lay Assistant: Violet Peterson
Praise Singers: Jaime Doubek

Sunday, August 16, 2026

***One Service—9 AM**

Ushers: Jim Burnett, Karl Okeson
Ambassadors: Gwyn Brechtel, Andrea Tack
Lector: Al Neumann
Lay Assistant: Al &/or Matt Neumann
Praise Singer: Becky Toro



AlpineFest 2026 is Sunday, August 16th, 1-5 PM. We need more volunteers! Please contact Morgan Dabson at 815-494-2092. If you are a Thrivent member and can provide an Action Team card for expenses, please see Morgan or Lynn in the office. We hope to have kids' activities, a train, car show, bouncy house, food, bake sale and of course lots of music. Don't forget to share this event with others outside of Alpine. We hope to make this year's AlpineFest the best ever for both our members and our community! (Outreach Committee)

We are looking for baked goods to sell at our **Bake Sale** during AlpineFest. Please contact Jody Dabson, 815-979-2124, if you are able to donate items.

Save the date: After a one-year absence, **Trivia Night** will return. **Friday, October 2nd**, at Trinity Lutheran Church. The Chili Cookoff Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. and Trivia Night itself will begin at 7 p.m. This event will be a fundraiser for the ministries in the Midtown neighborhood of Rockford. Cost is \$20 per person.

We thank all those who support the Kiwanis Club of Rockford. The **Alpine Kiwanis Brat Days** coupon originally for Beef-a-Roo is being honored by Tom & Jerry's Restaurants. A list of the locations is on the Cares & Concern's counter.

We have again experienced **postal delays with our Summits** being delivered. Please know that we have taken every effort to get you your Summit before events have happened. If you are interested in receiving an email copy as well as a mailed copy, please see Lynn in the office.

Another catastrophic flood has occurred in Texas and people need your help. **Lutheran Disaster Response** is often one of the first on the scene to help when disasters like this strike. Your gifts to this ministry help. Please consider making a donation to the Lutheran Disaster fund by visiting elca.org, click on the giving tab and then Lutheran Disaster Response. Your support makes a difference for families facing unimaginable loss.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be going on hiatus until the fall. An announcement will be made when it starts back up.

Saturday, August 29th, the Council will be holding a retreat at Camp Winnebago. We would like you to join us for a **pot-luck meal and worship service, time TBD**. Alpine will provide the main course; we just need you to bring the sides and desserts. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex to help us gauge how many can attend and what everyone is bringing. **With the worship service being held that day, we will not have a worship service on Sunday, August 30th.**

***Due to vacation schedules for Lynn & Pastor Rachel the next Summit you will receive will be on Monday, August 24th.**

Stay current with Alpine events by adding your email to our list. When events change or get cancelled for any reason, we will send out an email and make a post on our Facebook page. Please contact Lynn in the office if you would like to be added to the email list.

In an attempt to de-clutter the Memorial Lounge, we have started using a shorter table which made us move where you can find the **quarterly devotional books**. You can now locate them on top of the bookshelf near the lounge doors. They also will still be in the narthex on the coffee table.

Many thanks to everyone who donated peanut butter for the **Rock River Valley Food Pantry's Peanut Butter Drive**. (Karl Okeson)

The time is now! Our list of volunteers for our worship services has been slowly depleting especially when it comes time for our "snow birds" to fly south. Have you ever thought of helping during our services; ushering, greeting, reading or lay assisting? Our current schedule goes through the first weeks of September but now is the time to think about volunteering. Please contact the church office if you feel called to serve in any capacity. (Lynn Valentine)

The Council of Alpine Lutheran has voted to move forward with **one summer worship service at 9 AM**. We will hold a blended worship service, including music from both traditional hymns and praise songs, during the summer months. We will resume our 2 services on Sunday, September 6th.



We will resume in the fall. Seasonal grab bags available for pick-up during the summer months.



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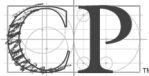
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Sun. Worship Times

***Summer 9:00 AM
8:00 & 10:00 AM**

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Katie's Cup Book Club, Thursday, August 13, 10 AM. This month we will be discussing the book "The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend" by Katarina Bivald. "A heartwarming tale about literature's power to transform."
- People No reservations are needed. Books are available for purchase at Katie's Cup.