



#### Special points of interest:

Sunday Worship

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

Rejoicing Spirits

6:00 PM (2nd Thursday)

Family Worship (Gym)

4:30 PM (2nd Saturday)

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## From Pastor Desk:

Jesus Has Risen! He Has Risen Indeed, Alleluia! Easter Season at Alpine is winding down and though the church season is ending, Easter itself never ends. This is because:

1. We continue to live out the miracle of Easter as resurrection power is unleashed in our lives.
2. We see how the truth of God's word continues to transform us into the people God created us to be.
3. There is also no end or limit to what God can do in and around us!

Indeed, one of the most enduring truths that we encountered this past Easter is that God is not done yet. There is more that God desires to accomplish both in and around and throughout our lives.

Here are some of the other Take-Aways that we have encountered during our Easter Worship series:

- Everyone is welcome at the table, even those who betray us.
- When it hurts too much to believe anymore...encountering Jesus is the way forward.
- "I have seen the Lord" gives witness to the fact that there is another way of being in the world -- a way of being that is shaped by resurrection, that embodies anything and everything that is life-giving
- Jesus provides the 2 things Peter needs most. A sense of belonging and purpose
- Jesus has freed his disciples and gifted them new life. He sticks around so that he can continue to form them – for a life centered around mission.
- Nothing and no one can take us away from God.
- When it is tough to hear or see God:
  1. Keep praising & talking to God
  2. Remove obstacles
  3. Take your eyes off yourself.
- When you experience betrayal - Choose responses that communicate love and acceptance... even if you don't feel it.
- Choose God's love for you to be the foundation that you build your life, your identity, and your relationships on.
- Following the words of Jesus leads us to discovering who we truly are
- The peace given through the Holy Spirit allows us to live out the final commandment Jesus gives to his disciples: to love one another as he has loved us.

### BY THE NUMBERS

Attendance 5/26/19      44 + 46      90      Attendance 6/2/19      71 + 54      125

**Required total receipts weekly.....\$8,213.71**

Gen Fund 5/26/19	\$3,228.00	Gen Fund 6/2/19	\$4,020.00
Forward in Faith	\$1,200.00	Forward in Faith	\$3,760.00
Surplus/Deficit	-\$3,785.71	Surplus/Deficit	-\$433.71

**Surplus/Deficit YTD..... +\$12,772 (4/30/19)**

\*Please note that year to date totals include several pre-payments of annual pledges.



**Pray for Alpine members:**

Pat Anderson, Rick Bried, Mike Bukowski, Cindy Bulthaus, Pat Christiansen, Ernest & Mary DeNale, Doris Fransen, Marybeth Gillette, Rich & Jan Hill, Peggy Lillegaard, Richard Lovitt, Jack & Norma Lucas, Marguerite Lusth, Marian Olson, Ron & Jan Pauly, John Ralston, Donna Steele, JR Stropes, Melissa (Bukowski) Stucky & Family, Pat Turmo and Darold Walker.

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

Sally Atkinson, Iris Blake, Kim Braun, Linda Carter, Linda Conness, Patrick Cooper, Jerome Gill, Daniel Hendrickson, Kathleen Lovins, Sharon Mund, Carol Nelsen, Aileen Petersen, Tom Rogers, Bob Schult, Jeremy Sturges, Don Tennant, Brendan Welsh, Penny Wendling and Debra Whittock.

### All In the Family

Birthday thanks came in from **Shirley Schou, Mari Hanson and Carol Johnson.**  
**Cindy Bulthaus** expressed her thanks for all of the cards, prayers and well wishes she has received throughout her diagnosis and treatment.

**Worship Schedule :**

Sunday Worship service times are **8 & 10:00 AM.** Children's Church will continue to meet during the 10:00 AM worship service.

Every 2nd Thursday, Rejoicing Spirits Worship at **6 PM.** A no hush service

Every 2nd Saturday, Family Worship at **4:30 PM.** A service in our gym with family activities following.

**Bible Studies :**

- \* Tuesday Men's Breakfast Bible Study at 6:45 am at Sunrise Restaurant
- \* Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 10 AM, Conference Room

**Adult Forums:** Meets between services on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month. A light breakfast will be served.

**To reach Pastor Dan after office hours,** you may call 815-399-5487. Please leave a message and he will respond 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 Pastor Dan whenever the need arises for extra prayers you may have.

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

Here are the members for the next few weeks.

**June 16<sup>th</sup>**—Rev. Jeff Clements, Bishop of the No. IL Synod; Rev. Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the ELCA; and our companion churches, Saron Lutheran Church in India& Moiparo Lutheran Church in Tanzania.

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>**—Jeanne Tengren; Gary & Ginny Hunt; Richard, Connie & Tim Dowling; and Bob & Lori Fanello.



**Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>**—Rejoicing Spirits, 6:30 PM  
**Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**—Praise Team practice Canceled  
**Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**—Father's Day  
**Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**—Church Council  
**Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**—AlpineFest 2019, 2-5 PM



Many thanks to those of you who were able to help with our garage sale. It is a lot of work but the funds raised help us with our work camp expenses. Thanks again!



At our worship services on **June 16<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day**, we will be celebrating all Christian men with a special blessing. Please invite your friends and neighbors to attend.

We have begun a **Stop Light Collection** for our **Alpine Fest expenses**. You will find the stop light in the Narthex and may donate your change to help us fund our annual celebration.

We will be **skipping** the first **Summit of July** for the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. There will be Summits June 10<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup>. Please plan your article accordingly. (Lynn Valentine)

**We join in celebration with our recent Confirmand.** On Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, **Zoey Bethanne Doubek** was confirmed. God's blessings go out to her as she journeys through her faith.

#### From the SCRIP Desk:

SCRIP and you need to become friends. Every year SCRIP would like to donate back to the church an unexpected blessing. We will not be able to meet our goal unless more individuals become friends with SCRIP. This friendship is very easy to maintain all you need to do is stop at least once a month at the SCRIP desk and purchase a few SCRIP cards and donate your profit to the church. See this friendship can even grow bigger the more times you stop by the SCRIP desk. Remember you are not only getting gift cards to your favorite retailers you are supporting the church. Why not become friends with SCRIP in this friendship everyone wins. (Deb Geeser)

**KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP**



**Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>** will be our annual **AlpineFest**. We will have many activities for all ages from 2-5 PM. We will have games, a car club, food, police canines, a train, bouncy house, and entertainment from the Sweet Adelines, Ron Holm and our Bluegrass band. Come ready for fun and fellowship. Invite your neighbors, family and friends. If you are able to volunteer your help, please see DiAnne Beynon or Bob McVinnie.



**ALPINE GRADUATES:** We congratulate and wish all of Alpine's graduates God's blessings on all they do in the future:

**Sarah Neumann**

Rockford University; BS in Nursing

During the summer months several of our groups don't meet as regularly as the rest of the year.. The **Adult Forum** will not meet every first Sunday. Please watch for announcements in the Summit and worship folders for the topics and when they will meet. The **Men's Breakfast** will not meet in July but then plan to continue to meet. Our **Wednesday Morning Bible Study** will continue meeting on Wednesday mornings with some exceptions for when Pastor Dan is away for camps and Synod convention in July. **Altar Guild's** next meeting is Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. **Confirmation** will not meet again until after school is back in session. Enjoy your summer!

The June edition of "**Living Lutheran**" is here and available for pick up from the Care & Concern counter. This month's lead article is from the "I'm a Lutheran" series. It discusses how the faith journey of writer, Nickolas Butler, has shaped him as a Lutheran. Take home a copy then share it with your friends and family.

Thank you to everyone who contributed and/or took part in our wonderful **Youth Garage Sale**. We especially thank John & David Linde for taking on this endeavor every year. With your help, we were able to raise over \$1,100 for our work camp mission trip expenses.

The **Rockford Midtown Market** began on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and will run from 9am-noon in the Rockford Public Schools District 205 Parking Lot for 15 weeks. The Market's purpose is to encourage a community gathering for ethnic food, farm produce, coffee drinks, kid activities, music, and crafts. The Rockford Midtown Market is a partnership between Katie's Cup and the Rockford Midtown District Association. They are still receiving applications for vendors and anyone who wants to volunteer. Please contact Market Manager Deb Ibisevic at rockfordmidtownmarket@gmail.com.



**Alpine Academy  
of Rockford**  
Faith • Family • Future

It's finally summer at Alpine! It almost didn't seem like we would see summer this year, but it has arrived. This past week and a half it certainly feels like we are catching up on our April Showers so we're still looking forward to those warm summer grilling days.

Our summer camp has begun and this summer the students will be Traveling the World throughout camp. Our summer program again is beginning with just over 20 students a day and we'd sure love to welcome a few more. If you know of anyone looking for a fun, safe place for their child this summer please have them contact the school and get registered for camp.

With one school year having come to an end we are already in full swing preparing for our next school year. During this past school year, we were blessed to have enough 3 years old that we had two Pre 3 classes and now for our upcoming 2019-20 school year we are expanding and will have two Pre 4 classes. This growth is essential to ensure that we have students staying with us as they progress into our Kindergarten on up. We've seen our enrollment in the school increase each year these past 5 years and certainly anticipate we will see additional growth this year. If you have family or friends who are looking for a Christ Centered education for their child, please encourage them to contact us for a tour.

This last school year we were happy to receive some wonderful donations that were made through Empower Illinois as part of the Invest In Kids Act. As this program continues, we will continue to seek opportunities to seek donations to fulfill scholarships for students who other wise may not be able to join us. Inviting these students and their families to join our family at Alpine has been a wonderful gift to all of us. If you are interested in making a donation to this scholarship program, please contact me so that I can share the details. This is not only a great way to make a donation and receive a 75% state tax credit on it, but it is also a wonderful gift to a student needing to meet Jesus.

I look forward to moving throughout the summer and working with families as they make decisions about their child's education. Please join me in getting the word out there are many ways you can help: share a Facebook Post, invite a family to Alpine Family Worship (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month in the Gym), Invite a family to Alpine Fest to tour the school or just talk about what we do here at Alpine. We can grow our Family together!

In Christ

Scott Dabson  
Admissions Director  
Alpine Academy



### **Worship in the Park!**

This summer, Alpine Lutheran, joined with Shepherd of the Valley, will be holding a worship service and meal in the great outdoors. On **Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** we will gather at **Olson Swedish Heritage Park** for our Sunday service. This will be a great opportunity to connect with family, friends and neighbors through God's Word and great fellowship. We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate and plan this event along with volunteers from Shepherd of the Valley. Please contact Pastor Dan if you are interested.

**Rev. Norwood "Woody" Knutson** is celebrating his **50 years of ordained ministry**. As Pastor Woody has blessed many in his ministry we are asking you to help us bless him in this celebration. We would like to encourage you to send a letter to Pastor Woody at 4716 Spring Creek Rd. Rockford, IL 61114. Please no other gifts other than words of love and encouragement. We know that the people he has served continue to hold a special place in his heart. Blessings, The family of Pastor Woody

This summer the Soc. Min/Conn. Committee will be collecting **jars of peanut butter** for the **Rock River Valley Food Pantry**. Please watch for signs and a drop off area.

### **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. It is very simple. (Help with clean-up is also appreciated.) A sign-up sheet is available by the coffee. (Laurel McVinnie)

**Rockford Area Lutheran Ministries** annual **Golf Scramble** is **Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>** at Swanhills Golf Course. Sign up your foursome or individually to form a group. The cost is \$90 per person and includes lunch, green fees, cart, golf balls, tees and more. All registrations received before July 1st will receive a \$5 discount. Please contact RALM at 815-962-4279 for registration info.

### **Alpine's Children Ministry**



Although there is no specific **Vacation Bible School** scheduled, like last year, Alpine Academy's Summer Camp program, "Passport to Fun", will include a Bible lesson.

Every Tuesday through Friday a short lesson exploring Paul's travels around the world will be enjoyed. Please contact Alpine Academy for more info, camp registration and fees.

**815-227-8894**



**-Katie's Choice Book Club meets** every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10 AM. Each month a new book is chosen to discuss. June's book is "Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine" by Gail Honeyman. Bring your copy and join the discussion.

**-Katie's Cup Bunco:** Join us every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at Katie's Cup for a session of Bunco and great fellowship. We meet from 1:30—3 PM.

**-Katie's Cup Conversation:** June is PRIDE month for the LGBTQ+ community. On Tuesday, June 11 from 11 AM to 12:30 PM we will discuss the history of "PRIDE" month, how the church and community does or doesn't support the LGBTQ+ community. Lunch is available for purchase during this event.

**Katie's Cup is presently seeking a part-time, salaried administrator** for 20-25 hours weekly. The administrator will oversee the daily operations, staff, volunteers, and customer service of the coffee bar, reporting to, and accountable to, the Seventh Street Coffee, Inc. Board. Food service experience is preferred, as well as familiarity and proficiency with a variety of computer programs, social media and marketing venues. The Administrator must have excellent customer service, leadership and management skills and understand the mission and vision of Katie's Cup. To apply, send a cover letter and resume to: Katie's Cup, Attention: Mariel Heinke, 502 Seventh Street, Rockford, IL 61104. Applications are due no later than June 15.

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**Laundry Love**—This program, part of **RALM**, provides free laundry services to the needy every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Charles Street Laundromat. The program exists to help alleviate the strain that poor health and hygiene places on the most venerable members of our community. Co-Coordination are Bob Black & Dave Musser.

**Keep Alpine Updated:** With current HIPAA laws, **the church is not informed when you are hospitalized.** Please have a friend or family member notify the church directly. OSF St. Anthony's and Rockford Memorial does not call at all, Swedish American only calls when you are admitted to the hospital through your physician, not the ER. We want to keep in contact with you especially when you are in need of support.

**Milestone Adopt a Camper**—For \$100 you can sponsor a camper for 1 week at camps in IL, WI and IA; or for \$75 you can sponsor a camper at Camp Winnebago. Please contact Milestone, 815-639-2965, if you want to make a donation or have any questions.

**Habitat for Humanity** kicked off its build season Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>! There is still one Framing day on June 15! In between and all through August we will be building! Won't you come out to our sites some Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday to help us help four families realize their dream of home ownership? Please email or call Mona, monaschubach@rockfordhabitat.org, 815-636-4573, with any questions!



## **Alpine Academy Summer Camp**

Preschool 3 yr. to 5<sup>th</sup> grade

**Camp Starts Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 8 AM—3 PM**

Cost is \$125/week or \$35/day

A registration fee of \$25  
will be collected from each family.

Enrollment forms  
are available outside the school office or online at  
[alpineacademyofrockford.com](http://alpineacademyofrockford.com)



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

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alpinelutheran.com

## THOSE WHO SERVE

### Sun., June 16, 2019

**Ushers:** (8:00) Jim Anderson, Bob Fanello,  
Bryan Garrett, Kathy Mund  
(10:00) Dick Nelson, Mike Schultz, Brandon  
Williams, Volunteer  
**Ambass.:** (8:00) Gwyn Brechtel, Carole  
Rogers  
(10:00) DiAnne Beynon, Louise Dorris  
**Elements:** (8:00) Darold & Sharon Walker  
(10:00) Ardy Stevens, Diana Sundeen  
**Lector:** (8:00) Alan Garrett (10:00) Violet  
Peterson  
**Lay Assist:** (8:00) Alan Garrett, Tonya Mund  
(10:00) Bob & Violet Peterson  
**Altar Guild:** Laurel McVinnie, Cary Ralston  
**Praise Singers:** Chuck & Lynn Valentine

### Sun., June 23, 2019

**Ushers:** (8:00) Les Johnson, Randy Teske,  
Volunteers  
(10:00) John Linde, Volunteers  
**Ambass.:** (8:00) Larry & Joni Graham  
(10:00) Amanda Dabson, Mari Hanson  
**Elements:** (8:00) Matt & Debbie Hier  
(10:00) Amanda Dabson, Mari Hanson  
**Lector:** (8:00) Pam Lojewski (10:00) Terry  
Hodges  
**Lay Assist:** (8:00) Chuck Gentry, Pam Lojewski  
(10:00) Terry Hodges, Bob McVinnie  
**Altar Guild:** Janet Gentry, JoAnn Christiansen  
**Praise Singers:** Chuck & Lynn Valentine