



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 Pastor Dan:

Celebrating Our Past, Embracing Our Future

“Abundance isn't God's provision for me to live in luxury. It's God's provision for me to help others live. God entrusts me with God's money not to build my kingdom on earth, but to build God's kingdom in heaven.”
 — Randy Acorn, *Money, Possessions and Eternity*

How do you understand and live each day in God's abundance and generosity? How can you grow in your own generosity? What are the ways that we can allow God's generosity to flow through our lives, not just now, but for many years to come? Our stewardship focus this year is about not just remembering all the wonderful stuff God has accomplished over the years here at Alpine, but also embracing our future. The future might look to be very different from the past - the world after all has changed quite a bit over the past few years – but looking forward in faith we can see that God will still be among us. God will still be changing lives. God's mission will not stop.

As we celebrate 80 years of God's faithfulness, I am reminded of our stewardship theme from 5 years ago, *A Living Legacy*. In its basic meaning, a legacy can be seen as what we leave behind for the next generation. Our legacies can be money, property, life lessons, examples of living, ways of communicating grace, etc.... The important thing to understand is that we are *always* leaving behind a legacy; either a bad one or a good one. *A Living Legacy* is a legacy that God uses to breathe life into people, long after we are gone. Often we fail to realize that we are called to be stewards of our legacy as well as our lives.

There are two principles that lie at the heart of *our shared legacy*. The first is that our generosity, in all its forms, is a joyful and faithful response to God's giving of Jesus Christ and the grace-filled life that comes through Him. The other principle that underlies our legacy is an intentional act of sharing gifts so the ministries of our congregation can remain bold and vibrant in sharing God's grace by what we do in Christ's name for our members and community for generations to come.

I am so grateful for the wonderful stories I continue to hear about all the wonderful ways you have seen God change lives here at Alpine. I am excited about the lessons learned and the examples left behind. I am also encouraged by how we can pick up these examples/legacies and pass them along to a new generation of people who long to experience the good news of God's wonderful love. “

You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God (2 Corinthians 9:11-12).”

BY THE NUMBERS

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| 10/2/22 | 33 + 90 | 123 | 10/9/22 | 28 + 49 | 77 |
| 10/2 Online views | | 5 | 10/9 Online views | | 9 |

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

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| Gen Fund 10/2/22 | \$4,296.00 | Gen Fund 10/9/22 | \$4,715.00 |
| Forward in Faith | \$843.00 | Forward in Faith | \$528.00 |
| Surplus/Deficit | -\$2,211.56 | Surplus/Deficit | -\$1,610.56 |

53rd/54th Week.....\$600.00 Unexpected Blessings.....\$108.00

Surplus/Deficit YTD..... +\$1,315.74 (includes several full year pledge fulfillments)



Pray for Alpine members:

Linda Becker, Rick Bried, Cindy Bulthaus, Mary DeNale, Marybeth Gillette, Louise Hemenway, Jan Hill, Jim Hill, Les Johnson, Valerie Miller, Ardy Stevens, JR Stropes, Jeanne Tengren, Don Torgerson, and Pat Turmo.

Pray for our friends and family of Alpine:

Sally Atkinson, Kim Braun, Linda Conness, Cornelia Foley, Daniel Hendrickson, Darlene Johnson, Shirley & Larry Kagel, Kathleen Lovins, Todd McDonald, Sharon Mund, Judy Osiwalla, David Rawls, Felicia Rawls, Jacob Schmidt, Bob Schult, Jeremy Sturges, Don Tennant, Penny Wendling, all those in the Ukraine conflict, and all affected by Hurricane Ian.

All in the Family

Birthdays came in from Marge **Wendy Barton**. Wendy also thanks Pastor Dan and the Bible study members for extra prayers for her god sister. Ardy **Stevens** sends her heartfelt thanks in the summit for prayers, thoughts, cards, and contributions to the altar guild after the passing of her beloved husband, Fred. We share our love and sympathies with the family of **Mitch Olson** who died this week.

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** meets every Sunday starting September 11th, 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 1st (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: 7:00 AM** Tuesdays, Sunrise Restaurant



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 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.

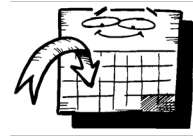
**Together we worship, together we pray,
together we love.**

October 23rd — Gerald & Mari Hanson; Louise Hemenway; Lisa Slothower; and Bryce & Cindy Bulthaus.

October 30th — Elliot, Rebecca, Charlotte & Elizabeth Kallstrom; Debbie & Ryan Matthews; Kent & Barb Milton; and Charlie & Gail Davidson.



Alpine Academy will be having their **Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat** on Saturday, October 29th. We need your help in **providing and distributing candy** to our trunk-or-treaters. Each year our numbers have been increasing. Last year we had 400 kids attend from Alpine Academy and our surrounding community. The trunk or treating will begin at around 6 PM. You are invited to come early and participate in the Fall Festival as well.



Tuesday, October 18th—Work Camp meeting, 6:30 PM
Wednesday, October 19th—Bible Study, 10 AM
Thursday, October 20th—Rejoicing Spirits via Zoom, 6 PM
Monday, October 24th—Mental Health Comm., 5:30 PM
Tuesday, October 25th—Finance Comm., 6 PM
Wednesday, October 26th—Bible Study, 10 AM
Thursday, October 27th—Church Council, 6 PM



We officially welcomed new members Jessica Rivera, Teresa Schoepski, Martin Scott, and Paul Stenberg on Sunday, October 9th. May God and Alpine bless them as so many before them have been blessed.

From the SCRIP Desk:

Soon the leaves will be falling in your yard. Are you ready for that fall clean-up? You can prepare by buying SCRIP cards for your local home goods store. We will have a limited supply of cards but if we get enough orders we can order more. (Jody Dabson)

KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP

Sunday, October 30th, is **Reformation Sunday**. As is tradition at Alpine we want to fill the church with RED. Mark your calendar, so you don't forget to wear something red.

The **Property Committee** is looking for help maintaining portions of our property. They are proposing members "**adopt an area of our property**" and take care of it throughout the year. Please see Jack Phillips for more information or to set-up an area for adoption.

Many of you are starting to make your plans to **head south** to get away from the impending Illinois winter. If you are away from your home for a period of time please let the office know a forwarding address so that you may keep up with what is happening at Alpine while you are gone. Please provide a start and stop date to keep things current. (Lynn Valentine)

Confirmation classes will begin in **October**. They will meet at Alpine Sunday, October 23rd at 4 PM. If you have any questions please see Pastor Dan.



Lynn will be on vacation from Friday, October 14th to Saturday, October 22nd. Please leave a message on the phone system if you need to be contacted for any reason. Someone will be checking daily. The office will be closed.



All Saints Sunday is November 6th. We will be acknowledging all those saints who have gone before us in the past year. Letters will be sent out to their families to let them know that we are remembering their loved one. We will have a time during the worship service when everyone may come forward and light a candle in remembrance all loved ones who have passed.

Congratulations to newly installed **Northern IL Synod Bishop Stacie Fidler** of Rock Island, IL. She was elected to serve a six-year term as Bishop of the Northern Illinois Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and installed October 8th at Trinity Lutheran.

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.

Sunday, October 30th we begin our stewardship series "Celebrating Our Past, Embracing Our Future" which ties into our 80th Anniversary celebration. You will be receiving your 2023 pledge cards in November.



You are invited to attend the annual **Alpine Academy Veteran's Day Program** on Friday, November 11th at 1:30 PM in the gymnasium. Come and hear the children as they honor those who have fought for our freedom.



We invite all children to come to our Children's Church during the 10:00 worship hour. We will be discussing the lessons used in the worship service for that week through discussion and arts and crafts.



Church Anniversary

“Celebrating Our Past, Embracing Our Future”

Come one Come all!
Alpine’s 80th Year Anniversary Celebration!
Saturday November 5th
4:30 pm at Alpine
\$20 per person

Hors d’oeuvres, Dinner, and Program with a Holiday Silent Auction
Entertainment by Jodi Beach and the Jodi Beach Trio.
Special Tribute to our Veterans!

Call Sharon Walker at 779-208-5110 for reservations or sign up in the narthex
Hope to see everyone there!

The anniversary committee will be making phone calls to our members to not only invite them to our celebration, but also to update our information. We are blessed that Alpine has been here for us, now let’s be here for Alpine. (Anniversary Committee)



As I’m writing this our Teachers and students are working hard in their classrooms as they finish up the First Quarter of the 2022-23 School Year. A great deal of learning and significant signs are progress can be seen throughout our school. Our students and Teachers are well on their way this school year.

In our Second Quarter we will pick up our event schedule and hope that you’ll be able to join us for the fun and programs. To begin our Fall Fest and Trunk or Treat will be on October 29th this year. Depending on the weather our Fall Fest event beginning at 3:00pm will be both indoors and outside. It’ll be a little different this year as we invite our neighbors and community to join in the fun and games of the Fall Fest. Immediately following the Fall Fest at approximately 6:00pm we will begin our Trunk or Treat. Please see in your summit information about donating candy or volunteering for the Fall Fest and Trunk or Treat.

We are also preparing for November as well. This year we will once again be hosting our Veterans Day Program on Nov. 11th and are hoping you will join us. We have a new special gift for all Veterans who are in attendance that afternoon. The program will begin approximately 1:30p. We are also beginning to seek volunteers for the return of our Thanksgiving Feast Nov. 22nd. We are in need of donations of turkeys for this event. Please see me or call me at the school if you are able to donate a turkey or volunteer for the event. This is an event we are looking forward to the return of as it brings all of our Alpine Family together for Worship, Fellowship and a meal.

There is still plenty more to come at Alpine Academy as we close our the 2022 Calendar Year. I hope that you are with us a many of these events and programs and want to thank everyone in advance for volunteering and donating to make these possible.

In Christ
Mr. Scott Dabson
Director
Alpine Academy



*Rockford Area Lutheran
Ministries Invites you to*

Trivia Night 2022

*Friday, November 4th
Our Saviors Lutheran Church
3300 Rural Street Rockford
6pm Doors Open
Chili dinner, snacks and silent Auction
7pm Trivia Begins
\$15 per person
www.ralm.faith 815-962-4279*



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Donation Needs for October

The cooler weather is on its way, and our current needs list reflects these changing temps — with items like sweatshirts, thermal underwear, and hand warmers. We also need a few basics for the kitchen — like sugar, non-dairy creamer, and Styrofoam cups. Click the button below to view the list of our most-needed items for the month.



Lutheran Disaster Response
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Hurricane Ian made landfall in Florida with near Category 5-strength winds, dumping record amounts of rain and causing catastrophic flooding. Hurricane Ian was one of the worst hurricanes to hit the United States in decades. Gifts to **Lutheran Disaster Response** make it possible for the ELCA to act quickly after disasters, whenever and wherever they strike. Can disaster survivors count on your support?



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



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ALPINE LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 80 YEARS

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday, October 23, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Tonya Bagwell, Kathy Mund
(10:00) DiAnne Beynon, John Linde
Ambassadors: (8:00) Gwyn Brechtel, Janet
Gentry
(10:00) Bob Peterson
Lector: (8:00) Pam Lojewski
(10:00) Lisa Slothower
Lay Assistant: (8:00) Pam Lojewski
(10:00) Mike Schultz
Praise Singers: Chuck & Lynn Valentine

Sunday, October 30, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Jack Phillips, Andrea Tack
(10:00) Jim Burnett, Mike Schultz
Ambassador: (8:00) Gene & Donn Seefeldt
(10:00) DiAnne Beynon, Craig Shelton
Lector: (8:00) Carla Phillips
(10:00) Violet Peterson
Lay Assistant: (8:00) David DeNale
(10:00) Bob & Violet Peterson
Praise Singer: Jaime Doubek