



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:

Giving Thanks for The Saints in Our Lives.

November seems to be bookended by two important moments. We start the month with All Saints Day – when we remember those people who have sacrificed so much to help us - and end the month with Thanksgiving – a day when we give thanks to God for all of God’s blessings that we have received. I recently noticed online (<https://laurastephensreed.wordpress.com>) a month-long prayer calendar where we are challenged to give thanks each day for a specific saint that has helped us. Expressing thanks is such a pivotal part of our faith. Sometimes, due to our busyness, it is so easy to forget or simply not see all the reasons that we have to give thanks. So here is a list of saints whom you might be able to thank. Take time each day to not only say a prayer of thanks and pray a return blessing for one of these people, but also contact them and let them know how grateful you are for how they have impacted your life.

Here is a list of people to give thanks for each day during the month of November:

- Mentored you in your profession
- Helped you grow in faith
- Gave tangible help during a difficult time
- Founded an institution or movement that is important to you
- Showed tough love
- Coached you as you grew in skills and confidence
- Led a group that was significant in your formation
- ‘Treated you like a brother/sister
- Introduced you to grief by his/her loss
- Wrote something that deeply moved you
- Died before you could reconcile or reconnect with him/her
- Introduced you to a group/community
- Reminded you how to see the world like a child
- Advocated for you
- Showed you something key about yourself/your values by being your adversary
- Gave you a tangible object that continues to inspire you
- (Grand)mothered/(grand)fathered you
- Governed in a way that fostered trust and cooperation
- ‘Took you somewhere life-changing
- Made you feel seen in a time/place that you felt invisible
- ‘Trusted you with difficult but important knowledge
- Created art that speaks to your soul
- Let you ask your questions
- Pointed out your gifts
- Introduced you to a hobby
- Prayed for you
- Embodied the values you aspire to
- Disagreed with you but still loved you
- Supported you emotionally through a low point
- Did something for others in death that he/she couldn't have done in life

BY THE NUMBERS

10/30/22	35 + 47	82	11/6/22	46 + 69	115
10/30 Online views		14	11/6 Online views		21
		Rejoicing Spirits.....49			
Required total receipts weekly.....\$7,458.56					
Gen Fund 10/30/22	\$8,185.00		Gen Fund 11/6/22	\$5,583.00	
Forward in Faith	\$2,278.00		Forward in Faith	\$1,378.00	
Surplus/Deficit	+\$3,004.44		Surplus/Deficit	+\$57.44	
53rd/54th Week.....	\$540.00		Festival.....	\$15.00	
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

Birthday thanks came in from **Kathy Mund, Craig & Barb Shelton** and **Dick Barton**; "I am blessed to have a wonderful church family."

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, 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.**

November 20th — Joseph & Judah Barron; Amanda & Morgan Dabson; Lori Abbott & Kyle Davidson; and Jim & Denise Burnett.

November 27th — Scott & Kathy Christiansen; Ted, Tiffany & Ben Croisant; and Roger Bastian.

THOSE WHO SERVE

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Karl Okeson, Randy Teske
(10:00) Jim Burnett, Dick Nelson
Ambassadors: (8:00) Jan Anderson, Janet Gentry
(10:00) John Linde, David Linde
Lector: (8:00) Daisy Blazer
(10:00) John Fridh
Lay Assistant: (8:00) Deb Okeson
(10:00) John Fridh
Praise Singer: Becky Toro

Sunday, November 27, 2022

Ushers: (8:00) Tonya Bagwell, Wendy Barton
(10:00) John Linde, Mage Rakoczy
Ambassador: (8:00) Les & Carol Johnson
(10:00) Amanda Dabson, Volunteer
Lector: (8:00) Pam Lojewski
(10:00) Pr. Rick Meier
Lay Assistant: (8:00) Pam Lojewski
(10:00) Pr. Rick Meier
Praise Singers: Chuck & Lynn Valentine

***Stewardship Sunday moved to November 20, 2022**

Our 2023 pledge cards have been mailed out. Please let the church office know if you did not receive yours. We will dedicate our pledges **Sunday, November 20th** during worship. If you are unable to attend that Sunday, you may mail them or drop them off in the church office. As we gather these financial pledges we are able to begin the process of planning finances for 2023. Please prayerfully consider your giving to Alpine. We thank you for your support of Alpine both financially and spiritually.

The Social Ministry Committee has begun collecting for the Thanksgiving Holiday Food Baskets. All items need to be collected by Thursday, November 17th. A list of items is on the Care & Concern counter. As always, money to purchase the foods can also be donated. Please make a notation for the baskets on your check. 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, volunteers to cook turkeys, servers, and help with clean up. Please Scott Dabson if you can help in any way, 815-494-3002.

From the SCRIP Desk:

Start planning your holiday shopping and turn in your gift card orders early. Since it is financially difficult to keep too many in stock, it is better to collect the money then make an order.
(Jody Dabson)

KEEP CALM...SHOP SCRIP

All Saints Sunday was November 6th. We remembered: Larry Graham, Sr., Marjorie Pearson, Norma Lucas, Velma Shoudy, Judy Gugliemetti, Larry Geiger, Jr., Audrey Schreiber, John Hargrave, Carol Nelsen, Sue Peterson, Ernest DeNale, Phyllis Damken, Michael Brechtel, Lola Johnson, George Wanfalt, Rich Hill, and Fred Stevens.



Altar Guild are collecting orders for the **Christmas Poinsettias**. The cost will be \$12 per plant (red only). Order envelopes will be on the kiosk in the narthex and will be collected until Sunday, December 4th. (Laurel McVinnie)



Alpine and Alpine Academy, will have a Thanksgiving worship service on **Tuesday, November 22nd at 11:15 AM**. The Academy will host a **Thanksgiving Feast** in Fellowship Hall at 12:00 following the worship service. Then on **Wednesday evening, November 23rd**, we will join members of Shepherd of the Valley for a **Service of Thanksgiving at 7:00 PM**, hosted here at Alpine. 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.

Many thanks to **Scott Christiansen and the 80th Anniversary Committee** for all their hard work in planning and implementing the many parts to a wonderful celebration of Alpine. It was great to see so many faces, some from our past, and to join in fellowship together to mark our 80th year.

Watch your email for a new **Those Who Serve** schedule that is being sent out. We would like to ask our Lay Assistants if they would return to robing with Pastor and joining him up front during the worship service; one more step towards returning to normal worship practices.

The Altar Guild invites you to come and **help decorate the church for Advent and Christmas**. They will be meeting on **Saturday, December 3rd at 10 AM**. All are welcome especially those willing to climb ladders or those who are not height challenged. (Laurel McVinnie)

Summit Schedule: There will not be a Summit for the week of November 28th due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The next Summit will be December 5th.



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.



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ALPINE LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATING 80 YEARS

Fall is now in full swing at Alpine Academy! Our Fall Fest was a success with our students having a great time and our guests enjoying the fun. As I write our students are in music class preparing for our Veterans Day Program. Soon they will begin to prepare for our Christmas Program. This is certainly a busy time of the year with many events happening all important to those of us at Alpine.

Huge "Thank You" to everyone who helped with our Annual Fall Fest and Trunk or Treat Event. From those who donated candy to everyone who helped with games, concessions and the Trunk or Treat! This event has gotten bigger every year, allowing us to continue to reach out not only within our Alpine Family but also to the community around us. This year the weather even cooperated enough that we were able to have a Bounce House for the kids. The Trunk or Treat alone has approximately 250 in line for candy and other goodies. It's so much fun to watch the smiling faces as they come through in costume.

In just over a week we will be participating together with all of you for our Annual Thanksgiving Service and Feast that takes place November 22nd. The service begins at 11:15am and is followed by a Thanksgiving Feast with our Alpine Family together Church and School. We are also inviting others to join us for our Feast. We've missed being able to gather for this Thanksgiving Feast the last two years and are very excited to come back together for this meal. We are still in need of additional volunteers to help in small setups, serving, general assistance and clean up. If you are able to help please see me on Sunday or contact me at school at 815.227.8894, our office staff can also take your name and provide information.

Thank you to everyone in our Alpine Family for your continued support of Alpine Academy. I look forward to celebrating this upcoming holiday season together at Alpine!

In Christ
 Mr. Scott Dabson
 Director
 Alpine Academy

