

## TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund Receipts 12/19/11.....\$5,142.00  
Forward in Faith 12/19/11.....\$664.00  
**Required total receipts weekly.....\$8,687.00**  
**Surplus/Deficit for week 12/19.....-\$2,881.50**  
**Surplus/Deficit thru 11/30.....+\$86.00**  
Scrip revenues YTD for 2011.....\$3,359.93  
Attendance 12/19/11 215



Pray for Alpine members: **Jeanne Carter, Pat Christiansen, Mark Cooley, Mary DeNale, Louise Dorris, Nancy Ewert, Dorris Fransen, Russ Hornbeck, Bernice Johnson, Kathleen Johnson, Jean Johnson, Linda Kersten, Ruth Lewis, Norma Lucas, Doris Lundgren, Linda Mensching, Kay McCue, Linda Vincent-Miller, Valerie Miller, Irene Northrup, Kay Okeson, Tom Peden, Gerry Perala, Betty Peterson, Bob & Sue Peterson, Robert & Ramona Swenson, Jeanne Tengren, Lucille Thoren & Lucille Weddle.**

Pray for our friends and family of Alpine: **Kayleigh Brauer, Jim Carlsen, Ken & Collette Carner, Beth Douaire, Spc. Jon Davis (in Iraq), Marie Johnson, Don Moorhouse, Maggie Moorehouse, Christine Morel, Linda Nelson, & Bradley Steven Ragsdale.**

## IT'S ALL IN THE FAMILY

Birthday thanks came in from **Diane Billert**, "It is wonderful being back at Alpine with such a great group of people."

**Faith Circle** will be meeting for lunch and for their monthly Bible study at the Hoffman House Lincoln Room on Thurs., Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**There will not be a Summit the week between Christmas and New Year's. Next Summit will be on January 6<sup>th</sup>.**



**Sat., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Eve, ONE SERVICE, **5 PM**  
**Sun., Dec 25<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Day, ONE SERVICE, 10 AM  
**Sun., Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>** – New Year's Day, ONE SERVICE, 10 AM



**Stewardship Update:** Thank you to everyone for your financial commitments for 2012. Currently we are showing a deficit of around \$25,000 in the operating fund and a deficit of around \$16,000 in the building fund for next year. Please turn in your pledge cards so that we can update and finalize a budget for 2012.

Totals so far:

General/Benevolence	\$274,941
(127 pledges turned in)	
Building Fund	\$89,830
(82 pledges turned in)	

The **Winter/Spring schedule** for "Those Who Serve" is being made. They will be on the counter in the narthex soon. We would like as many people to pick them up as possible to save on postage.



**Let's fill the Mitten Tree!** The Altar Guild has set up a tree in the entryway by the front door. Please bring in mittens, hats and scarves and place them on the tree. All items will be donated to the Salvation Army to warm those less fortunate than ourselves.



**IMPORTANT CHANGE:** With Christmas falling on a Sunday this year and the dwindling attendance for 2 services on Christmas Eve, the W & M Committee has voted to hold only **one service on Christmas Eve** followed by **one service on Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.** After polling the Congregation at worship Sun., the **Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship will be at 5:00 PM** not 7:00 as previously stated.

Please take note that the **next two Sundays** we will only have **one worship service at 10:00 AM.** The Sundays Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Day; and Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, the first worship service of the New Year. Please make note of the times.

**Coffee Hour for Christmas Day and New Year's Day:** Please bring any extra Christmas treats that you have from the holidays to serve as our coffee hour treats. Thank you.



We would like to thank the **C&E Choir** for their performance of the Christmas Cantata "God Is With Us". A special thank you to **Richard Dowling** for his dedication to Alpine's music ministry and to **Thomas Britton** for his beautiful accompaniment.

The **2012 Flower and Eternal Candle charts** are now up and ready for you to sign-up for your dedications. Remember loved ones passed or celebrate a special event. It is \$10 to sponsor a month for the Eternal Candle and \$20 per week to sponsor Altar Flowers.

**Reminder for all Council members:** We need all annual reports by January 15<sup>th</sup>. We also need two "Vision Goals" for each committee for the upcoming year.

## From the SCRIP Desk:

Thank you for supporting the SCRIP program throughout the year. See if we have your favorite store on hand for those after Christmas sales.

## Shop SCRIP...You'll like it!

**Please notify the office** if you plan to stop or forward your mail for a trip this winter. The post office will not forward bulk mail and they charge us **full postage** for any Summits returned for non-delivery.

It's almost **Spaghetti Dinner** time again! The youth will be serving a spaghetti dinner on **Sat., Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>**. This is a work camp fundraiser. Save the date so you may attend.

Save the date: **Sat., Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>** will be the **Annual Alpine Academy Dinner and Silent Auction.** **Sun., Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>** will be **Youth Sunday** and our **Annual Meeting.**

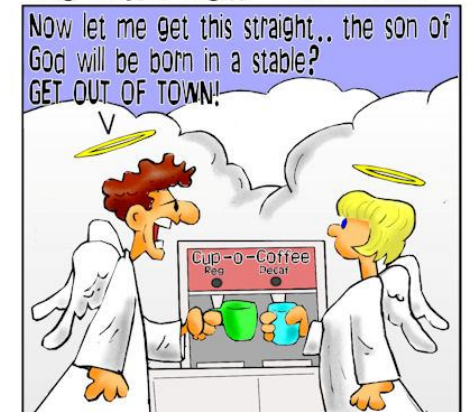


## Get Ready, Get Set, Go!...

No Sunday School until Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>  
Have a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!

## Faith on the Go!

## The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



Imagine the buzz around Heaven's coffee maker when God's salvation plan for mankind was revealed. **Luke 1:25ish**