

**United in Prayer:** Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries. Rev. Austin Reifel is a church planter in Indianapolis, IN. He asks us to pray in the following ways:

1. Provision for a Meeting Space—Please pray that the Lord would provide a new worship location—one that better fits our long-term needs and is sustainable within our budget.
2. Strength for Office Bearers—Pray for our local elders and deacons, that they would be equipped by the Lord for the work of ministry. Ask the Lord to strengthen them as they shepherd and serve, and to raise up additional men to labor alongside them in the care of the congregation.
3. Growth in Grace and Holiness—Pray that the members of our congregation would be conformed more and more to the image of Christ, and that we would be built up through the ordinary means of grace.
4. Faithful Witness and Evangelism—Pray that we would be bold and eager to share the gospel of grace with our neighbors, and that the Lord would gather in those who are still far off, bringing them to faith in Christ.



# Rock Valley United Reformed Church

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*Sunday, June 8, 2025*  
*Rev. Caleb Castro, Pastor*

**Our Council**  
Rev. Caleb Castro, Chairman 530-313-3484

<b>Elders</b> Loren Kooiman, Clerk 712-470-1414 Jay Kragt, Vice-All 712-470-6153 Korrie Van Maanen 712-470-0160	<b>Deacons</b> Doug Kats 605-214-7670 Lance Kooiman, Gen. Treas. 712-470-7326 Jon LeLoux 712-470-0389
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## Our Supported Missionaries

Rev. Bill Green Costa Rica	Rev. Paul Murphy Messiah's Reformed Fellowship NYC	Mr. Norlan De Groot Miami Int'l Seminary
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**Church Secretary:** Lora Kooiman - 726-3502, 712-470-3940, or email: [bulletin.rvurc@gmail.com](mailto:bulletin.rvurc@gmail.com)  
Please submit bulletin announcements by Thursday at noon  
**Custodians:** Jon & Brooke LeLoux - 712-470-0389 (Jon); 712-470-7150 (Brooke)  
**Building & Grounds/ Church Use Committee:** Jon LeLoux, Henry Blankespoor, Herm Rozeboom  
**Catechism & Children's Sunday School Classes:** Sundays, following morning worship Sept.—April  
**Adult Sunday School:** Sundays, following morning worship Oct.—April  
**Women's Bible Study:** 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, 7:00PM Oct.—April  
**Men's Breakfast Bible Study:** 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month, 7:00AM Oct.—April  
**Congregational Bible Study:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month, 7:00PM Oct.—April

## What We Believe

We believe the Holy Scriptures to be the inspired, infallible and inerrant Word of God. His Word is our supreme authority in all matters of doctrine, life and preaching. It is our source for knowing our sin, our salvation, and the life of service God requires of us in response to His grace. We believe that we are saved by God's grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, and all for the glory of God alone. We believe that the Reformed Confessions of the Heidelberg Catechism, the Belgic Confession, and the Canons of Dort do faithfully agree with the Word of God. We will use these to guide in the preaching, practice, and instruction in the church. We believe God has called together this fellowship, in this place, to worship and glorify Him and to preach and teach His Word. We believe the glorification of God includes the edification of His church, for whom Christ died. This includes the building up, the encouragement, and the mutual accountability of each member. RVURC is a member of NAPARC. Information on NAPARC can be found at [www.naparc.org](http://www.naparc.org)

Morning Worship—9:30 AM	Evening Worship—6:00 PM
Prelude	Prelude
Call to Worship - 1 Kings 19: 11-13	Call to Worship - Psalm 99:9
Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
*Votum and Salutation	*Votum & Salutation
<b>*Song of Praise # 236</b>	<b>*Song of Praise # T-99A</b>
Reading of God’s Holy Law - Exodus 20	*Apostles” Creed, Blue PH p. 3
<b>Song of Penitence # 7</b>	<b>*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)</b>
Assurance of Pardon - Jeremiah 31:33-34	Psalms of Praise Reading - Psalm 123
Congregational Prayer	<b>Song of Response # T-123</b>
Offerings: General Fund/ Mid America Reformed Seminary	Congregational Prayer
Offertory Prayer	Offering: Alpha Center
<b>*Song to Prepare Hearts # 121</b>	Offertory Prayer
Scripture Reading: Leviticus 23:15-22	<b>*Song of Preparation # T-114A 1, 4, 8</b>
Sermon Text: Leviticus 23:16	Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:19-24
Prayer of Illumination	Sermon Text: 1 John 3:24
Sermon: <i>The Purpose of Pentecost</i>	Prayer of Illumination
Prayer of Application	Sermon: <i>Assurance in Love</i>
<b>*Song of Response # 393</b>	Prayer of Application
*Benediction	<b>*Song of Response # T-493</b>
<b>*Doxology # 306:3-4</b>	*God’s Commission to His People- Summary of the Law
*Reverent Reflection	*Benediction
*Postlude	<b>*Doxology # T-118:7-8</b>
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

<b>Service Music today:</b> AM—Peggy VM/ Jayden DJ/ Karla K	PM—Peggy/ Jayden/ Karla
<b>Service Music next week:</b> AM—Laurel E/ Karla K	PM—Laurel/ Karla
<b>Nursery Attendants today:</b> AM—Cheryl R	PM—Jenny F
<b>Nursery Attendants next week:</b> AM—Robyn C	PM—Cheyenne & Jayden DJ
<b>Coffee Servers today:</b> AM—Loren & Lora K	PM— Mylicent & Tillie C
<b>Coffee Servers next week:</b> AM—Grant & Sarah DJ	
<b>Cookies this evening:</b> Rachel G & Pam K	

Upcoming Offering Schedule:

June 15: AM—General Fund/ Alpha Center	PM—Divine Hope Seminary
June 22: AM—General Fund/ CEC	PM—Word & Deed
June 29: AM—General Fund/ URCNA Askings Fund	PM—Benevolent Fund

The Lord’s Day - Sunday, June 8, 2025

**Welcome to Rock Valley United Reformed Church.** It is our desire to worship the Triune God in Spirit and in Truth according to His Word, to proclaim His Covenant Faithfulness to us in Christ Jesus, and to continually grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior. We are so glad you are with us today as we worship the Lord together in the House of God!

**Classis Central US** will meet June 9 at Covenant Reformed Church in Pella, IA. Delegates from Rock Valley URC are Rev. Caleb Castro and Elder Loren Kooiman. Please pray for safe travels and for the examining candidate Daniel Hofland.

**Next Sunday evening,** June 15, Rev. Castro will participate in the area Post-Classis Pulpit Exchange. Rev. Castro will be filling the pulpit at Sioux Center URC, and our pulpit will be filled by Rev. Dan Donovan from Cornerstone URC, Sanborn.

**We are doing updates** to our Church Directory. Anyone who would like to have their photo updated, or if you were not in the previous directory, we will begin taking photos this morning outside the front doors of the church. If you have a change of address or contact information, please let Lora know as soon as possible. Thank you.

**The Christian Education Chapter** will be hosting a fundraising pancake breakfast on Saturday July 12 at Bicentennial Park from 7-10am. We will need 12-15 volunteers to cover 3 different shifts. Set up from 4:30-7am, the event from 7-10am, and clean up after 10 am. Sign-up sheet will be available on the table in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions please contact Lance K., Jon L., or Rev. Castro.

**We are seeking volunteers** to make snacks and serve food for a **Spanish VBS** to be held at Sioux Center URC on July 16, from 1-4 PM. We also need volunteers who can play piano, or help the teachers. No Spanish skills needed! Please sign up! See the sheet available in the Fellowship Hall.

**Help is needed** to prep and paint the window frames on the south side of the Ascension Reformed Church building in Cincinnati, Ohio (with plans to address the north side soon). Scaffolding will be set up and ready—whether you can come for a day or stay for the week, your help is greatly appreciated! For more details, visit rms.org/arc or contact Rob at rob@rms.org.

**RMS is looking for volunteers to type** and format master’s and doctoral coursework (in Spanish and English) for MINTS Seminary-in-Prison students. These men are being trained for gospel ministry while incarcerated, and your help equips them to serve! To learn more or get involved, contact Dr. Neal Hegeman at hegjkm@aol.com.

**The 2025 TASC** season begins this Saturday (June 14) with our first team heading to Mexico! Please pray for safe travels, fruitful ministry, and spiritual growth for both the volunteers and those they serve. The team will be helping with building projects and leading Vacation Bible School—pray that through these efforts, many would grow in their faith. You can follow along with photos and updates at rms.org/tasc.

**Sunday, June 8, 2025 Morning Sermon Outline**

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 23:15-22

Sermon Text: Leviticus 23:16

Sermon: ***The Purpose of Pentecost***

Theme: *Pentecost celebrates that the time of the harvest of the church has arrived.*

**Sunday, June 8, 2025 Evening Sermon Outline**

Scripture: 1 John 3:19-24

Text: 1 John 3:24

Sermon: ***Assurance in Love***

Theme: *Because the believer's faith is assured by the Spirit of Truth, then the commandment to truly love God and others can be kept.*

**I. The Condemnation of Our Guilt**

**II. Our Confidence in Grace**

**III. Keeping the Commandments in Gratitude**