Volunteer Opportunity in Japan – September 11–22, 2025 Reformed Mission Services has been asked to share an opportunity to assist with a short-term project in Japan. The team will help construct a patio space used for fellowship between missionary housing and intern quarters, and may also assist planning a church retreat. The estimated cost is \$700 plus airfare to Narita Airport in Tokyo. Up to four volunteers are needed. For more information or to express interest, please contact Rob at rob@rms.org.

Three churches in the Sabana Grande de Boya region of the Dominican Republic need their wooden roofs replaced with concrete. Each roof project costs \$15,000 USD. In addition to financial support, we are also looking for volunteers to help with one of these roof projects taking place January 6–14, 2026. To support this effort or to learn more, visit rms.org/dominican-republic or contact rob@rms.org.

<u>United in Prayer:</u> Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries. **Rev. Thabet Megaly** is a home missionary with Pathway of Peace in St. Catharines, ON. He asks us to pray in the following ways:

- 1. Mission to Egypt (2025): Please pray for our upcoming mission trip to Egypt, where we will train Christian leaders in gospel-centered ministry. Pray for open doors, fruitful teaching, and God's protection and provision throughout the journey.
- 2. Media Outreach: Pray for the continued reach and impact of our Arabic and English TV programs across the Middle East, Europe and most of the world. May the gospel be proclaimed clearly and touch many hearts.
- 3. Leadership Training: Ask the Lord to bless our ongoing work equipping church leaders to bring the gospel for the lost
- 4. Monthly Arabic Worship in Hamilton: Please pray for our Arabic worship service held once a month in Hamilton. May it be a source of encouragement, community, and spiritual growth for Arabic-speaking believers and seekers.
- 5. Provision and Support: Pray for the finances needed to continue and expand our ministry efforts.
- 6. Spiritual Strength and Unity: Lift up our team for endurance, wisdom, and unity as we serve in various capacities and locations.

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



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Sunday, August 10, 2025 Rev. Caleb Castro, Pastor

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Custodians: Jon & Brooke LeLoux - 712-470-0389 (Jon); 712-470-7150 (Brooke) Building & Grounds/ Church Use Committee: Jon LeLoux, 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

| Morning Worship—9:30 AM | Evening Worship—6:00 PM |
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| Prelude | Prelude |
| Call to Worship - Psalm 96:7-9 | Call to Worship - Psalm 105:1-4 |
| Silent Prayer | Silent Prayer |
| *Votum and Salutation | *Votum & Salutation |
| *Song of Praise # 187:1-4 | *Song of Praise # T-230 |
| Reading of God's Holy Law - Exodus 20 | *Apostles' Creed |
| Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Form 1, p. 123 | *Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced) |
| Baptism Hymn # 462 | Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 132 |
| Congregational Prayer | Song of Response # T-132:1, 3-4 |
| Offerings: General Fund/Mid-America Reformed Seminary | Congregational Prayer |
| Offertory Prayer | Offering: Youth Group |
| *Song to Prepare Hearts # 178:1, 4-6 | Offertory Prayer |
| Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:18-20 | *Song of Preparation # T-45B:1, 3-5 |
| Sermon Text: Matthew 28:19b | Scripture Reading: John 3:1-17 |
| Prayer of Illumination | Sermon Text: John 3:16 |
| Sermon: Baptized into the Name | Prayer of Illumination |
| Prayer of Application | Confessional Reading: H.C. Lord's Day 8, Q/A 24-25 |
| *Song of Response # 419 | Sermon: The Doctrine of the Trinity |
| *Benediction | Prayer of Application |
| *Doxology # 490 | *Song of Response # T-181 |
| *Reverent Reflection | *God`s Commission to His People- Summary of the Law |
| *Postlude | *Benediction |
| | *Doxology # T-68B:4 |
| | *Reverent Reflection |
| | *Postlude |
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Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

Service Music today: AM—Lora K PM—Lora K

Service Music next week: AM—Laurel E PM—Laurel E/ Karla K

PM—Robyn C Nursery Attendants today: AM—Cheryl R

Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Cheyenne & Jayden DJ PM—Brooke L

Coffee Servers today: AM—Al & Marlene VK PM—Mylicent & Tillie C

Cookies this evening (4-5 doz. Each): Marlene VK & Dee VG

Coffee Servers next week: AM—Zach & Rachel G

Upcoming Offering Schedule:

Aug 17: AM—General Fund/ CEC Aug 24: AM—General Fund/ Heidelberg Sem. Philippine Students PM—Ref. Gospel Ministries

Aug 31: AM—General Fund/ Justice for All

Sept 7: AM—General Fund/ CEC

Sept 14: AM—General Fund/ Divine Hope Seminary

Sept 21: AM—General Fund/ CEC

PM—Classis Church Assistance

PM—Benevolent Fund

PM—Building Fund PM—Classis Latino Missions

PM—ITEM

The Lord's Day - Sunday, August 10, 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!

This morning it is our privilege to witness the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, as the sign and seal of God's covenant is administered to Abigail Paige Cave, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack and Renae Cave. May our faith be strengthened through the preaching of the Word and the administration of the Sacrament this day.

The CEC Pancake Breakfast held on July 12 was a success. The total amount brought in after expenses was \$1233.00. We would like to thank everyone for their participation and support of the CEC, and we praise God for His continued faithfulness.

The Consistory will meet on Monday, August 11 at 7:00PM.

The next Women's Study Group will begin meeting the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in the Council Room, starting September 16 at 7:00pm, led by Robyn Castro. We will be studying two short books, Delighting in the Trinity and Rejoicing in Christ, both by Michael Reeves (Ligonier Ministries). A sign-up sheet will be available in the fellowship hall and books will be ordered accordingly.

Get involved with RVURC's 20th Anniversary preparations! An evening of celebration is scheduled for Thursday, October 2, 2025, and we'd like you to be involved. If you can help with organizing the meal, ordering food and serving, or if you would like to help organize a few games for kids and for adults, we'd appreciate your input and involvement. Please speak to Loren or Lora K. or Rev. or Robyn C. to find out more details. Also, anyone who has interesting photos taken of church events, projects, people, etc. over the last 20 years and would be willing to share them to display that evening, or perhaps to make a booklet with them, please reach out to Lora ASAP. Thank you!

With thankfulness to the Lord, the Council of Doon United Reformed Church invites you to the Ordination Service of Mr. Daniel Hofland on Wednesday, August 27 at 7:00 pm at Doon United Reformed Church, Doon, IA. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow the service. We thank you for your prayers and encouragement during our recent vacancy, and we look forward to having you join Candidate Hofland, his family, and our congregation in celebrating this momentous occasion.

THE ANNUAL SPORTING CLAY FUNDRAISER hosted by RMS is just around the corner! (September 6) More information is available at rms.org/sd or contact Jim at jim@rms.org.

Mark your calendars: You're invited to Mid-America Reformed Seminary's annual Center for Missions and Evangelism Conference on October 3-4, 2025. This year's theme is Gossiping the Gospel: Everyday Evangelism, featuring pastors, church planters, and faculty from the Seminary. Come be encouraged and equipped, and register today at: midamerica.edu/cme/conference

Word & Deed is planning a dinner evening for Thursday, October 9, in Rock Valley, Lord willing. We are pleased to have Rev. Johnckson Murabyo from Uganda as our speaker. He is the director of El Shaddai, a ministry that rescues Muslim background believers (MBB) from their families after they convert to Christianity from Islam. The ministry relocates, disciples, and trains many of the MBBs to be able to care for themselves. Please save the date; more details will follow.

Sunday, August 10, 2025 Morning Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:18-20

Sermon: Baptized into the Name

Theme: The Triune God makes promises to His children.

Sermon Text: Matthew 28:19b

Sunday, August 10, 2025 Evening Sermon Outline

Scripture: John 3:1-17; Sermon Text: John 3:16 Confession: Lord's Day 8, Q/A 24-25, p. 875-876

Sermon: The Doctrine of the Trinity

Theme: We believe the God who reveals Himself as Three in One is our Savior.