

Stand and Deliver will be in Sanborn at the Christian School on Saturday, Sept. 6, 2025. Event will be from 5:00-9:00ish. Please come with an open heart and mind to learn more about STANDING on the Word of God and DELIVERing the truth to others in boldness with humility. Games will be played so please dress with appropriate clothing and shoes. Taco bar and ice cream sundaes will be served, and we'll have gluten free items. RSVP's due Monday, Aug. 25th (due to Labor Day Weekend) to Sheila Uitenbogaard (712.348.6218). Looking forward to a great evening! Feel free to take a friend!

JOIN US FOR LUNCH SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6! If you are not shooting at the RMS Sporting Clay Fundraiser but want to join us for lunch you can. For \$30 you can enjoy a meal while watching all the activities. There is still time to register as an individual or as a sponsor just go to rms.org/sd You can also register at the door on September 6. For more information about this event, please contact Jim at jim@rms.org.

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.

Serve in the Dominican Republic – January 6–14, 2026. Join RMS in the Dominican Republic, to help replace a wooden church roof with concrete. Can't join us in person? You can still take part by giving toward the cost of the roof project. Learn more, sign up, or donate at rms.org/dominican-republic or contact rob@rms.org.

United in Prayer: Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries. **Rev. Adam Kaloostian** is a church planter in Ventura, CA. He asks us to pray in the following ways:

1. Pray for Miss M, a young lady, enthusiastic about the Scriptures, who has attended services here now for the first time; she is part of a large unchurched family in the area with whom different ones of us have connections
2. Pray for Ms. R, a return visitor; and for Mrs. P as she readies for profession of faith; and for the Mr. & Mrs. K family, that the Lord's glorious Word will continue to do its work in their hearts; pray for the young Mr. & Mrs. R family, who is weighing life and work plans
3. Pray for the Fall launch of both a 'Coffee Break' group in service to neighborhood and local women we would probably not otherwise meet, and for a young peoples' spiritual questions group, trying to capitalize on some momentum we are enjoying with the high-school age demographic.

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 24, 2025

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Our Supported Missionaries

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Church Secretary: Lora Kooiman - 726-3502, 712-470-3940, or email: 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, 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
Prelude	Prelude
Call to Worship - Psalm 66:8-9, 13	Call to Worship - Psalm 147:7-9
Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
*Votum and Salutation	*Votum & Salutation
*Song of Praise # 144	*Song of Praise # T–147B:1, 3, 4, 6
Reading of God’s Holy Law - Exodus 20	*Apostles’ Creed
Song of Penitence # 74:1-3	*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)
Assurance of Pardon - Romans 4:4-8	Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 134
Congregational Prayer	Song of Response # T–134
Offerings: General Fund/Heidelberg Sem. Philippine Students	Congregational Prayer
Offertory Prayer	Offering: Reformation Gospel Ministries
*Song to Prepare Hearts # 95	Offertory Prayer
Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17	*Song of Preparation # T–257:1, 3, 5, 6
Sermon Text: 1 Timothy 1:15	Scripture Reading: Romans 8
Prayer of Illumination	Sermon Text: Romans 8:31-32
Sermon: <i>I am the Foremost</i>	Prayer of Illumination
Prayer of Application	Confessional Reading: H.C. Lord’s Day 10, Q&A 27-28
*Song of Response # 389	Sermon: <i>The Doctrine of Providence</i>
*Benediction	Prayer of Application
*Doxology # 490	*Song of Response # T-515:1, 4, 5
*Reverent Reflection	*God’s Commission to His People- Summary of the Law
*Postlude	*Benediction
	*Doxology # T–68B:4
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

Service Music today: AM—Brooke L/ Lora K	PM—Brooke L/ Lora K
Service Music next week: AM—Peggy VM/ Jayden DJ/ Karla K	PM—Laurel E

Nursery Attendants today: AM—Jenny F	PM—Lindsay DH
Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Rachel G	PM—Pam K

Coffee Servers today: AM—Herm & Cheryl R	PM—Leroy & Audrey K
Cookies this evening (4-5 doz. Each): Sarita VM &Peggy VM	
Coffee Servers next week: AM—Loren & Lora Kooiman	

Upcoming Offering Schedule:	
Aug 31: AM—General Fund/ Justice for All	PM—Benevolent Fund
Sept 7: AM—General Fund/ CEC	PM—Building Fund
Sept 14: AM—General Fund/ Divine Hope Seminary	PM—Classis Latino Missions
Sept 21: AM—General Fund/ CEC	PM—ITEM
Sept 28: AM—General Fund/Stand & Deliver	PM—Benevolent Fund

The Lord’s Day - Sunday, August 24, 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!

Rev. Castro and his family will be on vacation August 26 through September 2. If a pastoral concern arises during that time, please contact your district elder. Next Sunday morning we will be led in worship by Rev. Doug Schlegel, professor at Heidelberg Theological Seminary in Sioux Falls, and our evening service will be led by Rev. Elijah Anderson, minister of Latino missions through Cornerstone URC of Sanborn.

The Building Committee is looking for help at church on Monday, August 25, beginning at 4:00PM, to paint parking lot lines, hang the acoustic soundboards and move the piano to the lower level after 7:00PM. In case of wet weather, we will work on Tuesday evening. A sign up sheet is available to help us with planning. You can sign up for either Monday or Tuesday, or both nights if it works for you; and also please indicate on the sign up sheet what time you will be able to be there. If we have enough help, we can paint with two crews. If you have a four inch roller, take it along. Pads will be provided. We will work through the supper hour, so bring a snack along if you need to. We can use both men and women for this job. The Lord willing, we will be able to tackle this job with many hands. Thank you!

The Evangelism Committee is planning an outreach event to bring pre-made meals to families in our community who are still afflicted by the aftermath of last year's flood. We'd like to plan a day to get together to cook and assemble these meals, sometime before September 15. Please check your calendars and be thinking of what days and times would work best for you to participate. Later we will be looking for volunteers to distribute these meals throughout the community, and we intend to invite the recipients to a fellowship meal at our church, so be thinking about getting involved with that as well. More details on that will come later. Thanks in advance for your help!

Do you have pictures of RVURC church life taken throughout the past 20 years? Sunday School classes, fellowship meals or church picnics, building projects, etc., etc., anything that would be fun to share with others at the 20th Anniversary celebration would be appreciated. If you have photos to share, please pass them along to Lora as soon as possible. Thank you!

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 is available in the fellowship hall and books will be ordered accordingly.

Congregational Bible Study will begin meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, starting on September 11. Our study topic is apologetics, We will be doing two sections: first, on trusting the Bible and using what you already know to defend the true faith, and second, we will look at other worldviews and practice using scripture and faith to answer those worldviews. Book 1: *Every Believer Confident* by Mark Farnham; Book 2: *Does God Believe in Atheists?* by John Blanchard. Please sign up on the sheet provided in the fellowship hall. We hope many of you will join us!

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.

Sunday, August 24, 2025 Morning Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Sermon Text: 1 Timothy 1:15

Sermon: ***I am the Foremost***

Theme: If we are to understand the gospel of grace correctly, we must also confess “I am the foremost of sinners.”

Sunday, August 24, 2025 Evening Sermon Outline

Scripture: Romans 8; Sermon Text: Romans 8:31-32

Confession: Lord’s Day 10, Q&A 27-28, p. 876

Sermon: ***The Doctrine of Providence***

Theme: The doctrine of providence is the gospel comfort that you are upheld in God’s Fatherly hands.