

**Reformed Mission Services wants to thank everyone** who supported our Sporting Clay Fundraiser yesterday by either participating in or sponsoring the event!

**Please keep the RMS SEED** (Serve, Engage, Evangelize, Disciple) team in your prayers as they serve in NYC this week. The group is sharing the gospel through street conversations and learning about evangelism from Pastor Paul Murphy. Learn more and see photos at [rms.org/seed](https://rms.org/seed)

**Three churches** in the Sabana Grande de Boya region of the Dominican Republic need their wooden roofs replaced with concrete. Each roof project costs approximately \$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](https://rms.org/dominican-republic) or contact [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org).

**Looking for an opportunity** to serve overseas? RMS has several upcoming mission trips: Japan (Nov. 13–25, 2025), Peru (Dec. 1–11, 2025), and the Dominican Republic (Jan. 6–14, 2026). Learn more at [rms.org/trips](https://rms.org/trips). For questions about participating, contact Rob at [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org)

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

1. Servant Leaders: Pray for brother John Li the new elder and also for more elders and deacons to be called.
2. Financial Provision: Pray for God’s provision to meet the needs of the Chinese church and our members.
3. Spiritual Growth: Pray for peace, unity, and spiritual maturity within the congregation.



# Rock Valley United Reformed Church

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*Sunday, September 7, 2025*

*Rev. Caleb Castro, Pastor*

## Our Council

Rev. Caleb Castro, Chairman 530-313-3484

### Elders

Loren Kooiman, Clerk 712-470-1414  
Jay Kragt, Vice-All 712-470-6153  
Korrie Van Maanen 712-470-0160

### Deacons

Doug Kats 605-214-7670  
Lance Kooiman, Gen. Treas. 712-470-7326  
Jon LeLoux 712-470-0389

## 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, 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 - Psalm 135:1-4	<b>Hymn Sing - # 412 and # 439</b>
Silent Prayer	Call to Worship - Psalm 68:32-35
*Votum and Salutation	Silent Prayer
<b>*Song of Praise # 281:1, 2, 7, 9</b>	*Votum & Salutation
Reading of God’s Holy Law - Deuteronomy 5:1-21, 32-33	<b>*Song of Praise # T–138B</b>
<b>Song of Penitence # 75</b>	*Apostles’ Creed
Assurance of Pardon - Psalm 130:7-8	<b>*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)</b>
Congregational Prayer	Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 136
Offerings: General Fund/ CEC	<b>Song of Response # T–117B</b>
Offertory Prayer	Congregational Prayer
<b>*Song to Prepare Hearts # 89</b>	Offering: Building Fund
Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:19-22	Offertory Prayer
Sermon Text: Ephesians 2:22	<b>*Song of Preparation # T–2A</b>
Prayer of Illumination	Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:1-11
Sermon: <i>One Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church</i>	Sermon Text: 1 Peter 2:9-10
Prayer of Application	Prayer of Illumination
<b>*Song of Response # 398</b>	Confessional Reading: Lord’s Day 12, Q/A 31-32, p. 877
*Benediction	Sermon: <i>The Anointed One, the Son of God</i>
<b>*Doxology # 281:10</b>	Prayer of Application
*Reverent Reflection	<b>*Song of Response # T– 269:1, 4-7</b>
*Postlude	*God’s Commission to His People- Summary of the Law
	*Benediction
	<b>*Doxology # T–473</b>
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

<b>Service Music today:</b> AM—Lora K	PM—Laurel E/ Karla K
<b>Service Music next week:</b> AM—Brooke L/ Lora K	PM—Brooke L/ Lora K
<b>Nursery Attendants today:</b> AM—Cheryl R	PM—Sarah DJ
<b>Nursery Attendants next week:</b> AM—Robyn C	PM—Audrey K
<b>Coffee Servers today:</b> AM—Korrie & Sarita VM	
<b>Coffee Servers next week:</b> AM—Peggy VM & Karla K	PM—Collin & Jenny F
<b>Cookies next week (4-5 dozen each):</b> Lorna VM & Gloria B	

Upcoming Offering Schedule:

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, September 7, 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!

**Sunday School and Catechism classes** will meet this morning immediately following our morning worship service.

**A Congregational Fellowship meal** is being planned for next Sunday, September 14 here at the church at noon (or soon after our Catechism and Sunday School classes dismiss.) Please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall, and then mark your calendar and plan to come!

**The Deacons will meet** on Monday, September 8 at 6:00PM.  
**The Council will meet** on Monday, September 8 at 7:00PM.

**Congregational Bible Study will begin meeting** the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, starting **this Thursday, September 11, at 7:00PM**. 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. We hope many of you will join us!

**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.

**Adult Sunday School** will begin meeting in October. This season we will be doing video and a book series titled *Meeting Jesus at the Feast* by Dr. John R. Sittema. This study brings to light how each of the OT feasts and festivals pointed to the person and work of Jesus Christ in ways many of us have never seen before. It’s sure to be an interesting and thought provoking study! A sign-up sheet is available in the Fellowship Hall to make sure we have enough books. Please plan to join us and sign up today!

**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!

**Sunday, September 7, 2025 Morning Sermon Outline**  
Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:19-22                      Sermon Text: Ephesians 2:22  
Sermon: ***One Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church***  
Theme: *We believe one holy catholic and apostolic church.*

**Sunday, September 7, 2025 Evening Sermon Outline**  
Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2:1-11; Text: 1 Peter 2:9-10    Confession: Lord's Day 12, Q/A 31-32, p. 877  
Sermon: ***The Anointed One, the Son of God***  
Theme: *The confession that Jesus is the Christ is inseparably linked to the confession that the Christ is the Son of God.*