

Join us as **Mid-America Reformed Seminary** celebrates its **41st Commencement** on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. CT at Redeemer United Reformed Church (10681 Park Place, St. John, IN), where eight students will receive their degrees. The service will be followed by a reception, and those unable to attend in person are welcome to watch via the MARS YouTube channel.

**Mid-America Reformed Seminary's** Center for Missions and Evangelism Conference returns October 2–3, 2026, at Bethel Church in Lansing, IL, with a focus on biblical hospitality. Join us for two days of teaching, panel discussions, and worship designed to equip your church to better welcome and enfold others into its life. Early Bird registration is open through May 31. Learn more and register today at [midamerica.edu/cme/conference](http://midamerica.edu/cme/conference).

**Reminder from RMS:** All TASC participants who will be 18 or older at the time of the event, along with all sponsors, are required to complete a background check. Please be sure to fill this out as soon as possible. The links are available at [rms.org/tasc](http://rms.org/tasc). If you have any questions, contact Steve at [steve@rms.org](mailto:steve@rms.org).

**Interested in learning about evangelism** from Rev. Paul Murphy? Reformed Mission Services is looking forward to hosting a SEED event in New York City from July 10–18, 2026, where Rev. Murphy will lead instruction throughout the week. SEED (Serve, Engage, Evangelize, Disciple) is a week-long opportunity focused on equipping and encouraging participants for evangelism through teaching, hands-on ministry, and fellowship, challenging them to live missionally in their daily lives. Learn more at [rms.org/seed](http://rms.org/seed).

**Word & Deed Prayer Update - Colombia:** “Salvation belongs to the Lord. Your blessing is upon your people.” Psalm 3:8. God’s people in Colombia covet your prayers as it appears that another anti-God government will be elected in May. This reality will likely further challenge our partner’s ability to teach a biblical worldview in four Christian schools to 2,440 students. Please also pray for the ongoing counseling of 90 families in crisis to remain faithful in their marriages and healthy in their homes. Pray for the local churches to preach the freeing gospel message of “grace alone, through faith alone.” (Eph 2:8-9). And pray for our partner, Conviventia, to remain diligent in implementing these efforts, always looking to the Lord of their salvation to be a refuge in time of trouble.

**United in Prayer:** Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries. **Rev. Bill Green** is a missionary in San Jose, Costa Rica, and is one of the writers in this month’s *Trumpet*. He asks us to pray in the following ways:

1. Give thanks for three new elders that have recently been installed in our classis.
2. Pray that more students would enroll in the Christian school, as there has been a dip in the numbers this year.
3. Give thanks for the 20 students enrolled in a pastoral course on Biblical counseling.

## 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)



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*Sunday, April 19, 2026*

### Our Council

#### Elders

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### Our Supported Missionaries

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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, Zach Garland

**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

Prelude  
 Call to Worship - Psalm 65:4  
 Silent Prayer  
 \*Votum and Salutation  
**\*Song of Praise # T-65C:1-3**  
 Reading of God's Holy Law - Exodus 20:1-17  
**Song of Penitence # T-274**  
 Assurance of Pardon - Hebrews 4:14-16  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Offerings: General Fund/ CEC  
 Offertory Prayer  
**\*Song of Preparation # T-343**  
 Scripture Reading: Revelation 12  
 Sermon Text: Revelation 12:1-6  
 Prayer of Illumination  
 Sermon: *The Woman and The Dragon*  
 Prayer of Application  
**\*Song of Response # T-365**  
 \*Benediction  
**\*Doxology # T-335:4**  
 \*Reverent Reflection  
 \*Postlude

## Evening Worship—6:00 PM

Prelude  
**Hymn Sing - Blue PH # 135 and # 318**  
 Call to Worship - Psalm 67:1-3  
 Silent Prayer  
 \*Votum & Salutation  
**\*Song of Praise # 121**  
 \*Apostles' Creed (Blue PH, p. 3)  
**\*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)**  
 Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 15  
**Song of Response # 20**  
 Congregational Prayer  
 Offering: Classis Central Latino Missions  
 Offertory Prayer  
**\*Song of Preparation # 445**  
 Scripture Reading & Text: 1 John 4:12-16  
 Reformed Confession: Lord's Day 20, Q/A 53, p. 27  
 Prayer of Illumination  
 Sermon: *The Holy Spirit*  
 Prayer of Application  
**\*Song of Response # 463**  
 \*God's Commission to His People- Summary of the Law  
 \*Benediction  
**\*Doxology # 234:5 & 8**  
 \*Reverent Reflection  
 \*Postlude

## The Lord's Day - Sunday, April 19, 2026

**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! **Today we welcome Dr. JP Mosley**, Academic Dean and professor at Heidelberg Seminary to lead our worship for both services. **Next Sunday** we will be led in worship by **Mr. Chris Bergstrom**, who is a student at Heidelberg Seminary.

**The Elders urge everyone** who has not already done so to sign up for **Family Visiting** as soon as possible. They would like to visit with everyone by the end of April. A sign up calendar sheet has been made available on the table in the fellowship hall to help with scheduling. Please check you schedules and sign up for the time that works best for you. (The shaded dates on the calendar are NOT available for scheduling visits.) If you do not sign up for a time of your choosing, you will be contacted to fill one of the times that remain. The Consistory reminds everyone that Family Visiting is required by church order. Thank you all for your fine cooperation!

**The Council has called a congregational meeting** to be held on Sunday, April 26 immediately following the **evening** worship service in the sanctuary. **(Please note the change of time.)** The agenda for the meeting will consist only of the election of office bearers. The Council is bringing a motion to the congregation that, rather than completing his term at the end of June, Elder Loren Kooiman would remain in office one additional year. You will be asked to vote either "yes" or "no" on this particular motion. The Council has nominated for the office elder (1 to be elected) Brothers Jon Den Hartog and Randy Kats; and for the office of deacon (1 to be elected) Brothers Zach Garland and Herm Rozeboom. Brother Doug Kats will have completed his term of office at the end of June. The congregation is asked to consider biblically and to pray for those qualified for the offices of elder and deacon, asking that the Spirit would lead our congregation by the Word and humbly in the grace of God, and that we would be blessed by Christ and His strength through these men. The Council urges all professing members to make every effort to participate in this important meeting. However, if that is not possible, absentee ballots may be submitted to one of the Council members and must be unsigned and placed in a sealed envelope with your signature on the outside of the envelope across the seal. There are ballots and envelopes on the table in the foyer.

**All Youth Sunday School and Catechism classes** will be meet today immediately following our morning worship service. Today is the final day of the educational year. **We want to thank** our teachers for giving of their time and wisdom in instructing the students this year. We also want to thank the students for applying themselves and learning their lessons from week to week. May the Lord add His blessing to all these efforts, so that all that was learned and discussed may take root, grow and bear fruit in the lives of His covenant children.

**Advanced Notice:** Our annual **Ascension Day service** will be held on Thursday, May 14 at 7:00PM. This will be a joint service with Doon URC at our church, with Rev. Hofland leading our worship. An offering will be received for JFA.

**May Schedule Changes:** There have been several changes to the May Schedules and Opportunities to Serve, especially since Ascension Day Services were not planned for when the schedules went out. Revised May schedules have been placed in your mailboxes. Anything that changed has been highlighted in yellow. Please take a look at the new May schedule, and, as always, if you cannot serve on your scheduled date, please find your own substitute. Thanks.

**The latest edition of the URCNA Church Directory** is available from Reformed Fellowship. These paperback directories are 248 pages, and the cost is \$10 per copy. If you would like to order a copy, please speak to Elder Loren Kooiman by May 1.

## Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

**Service Music today:** AM—Brooke L/ Lora K  
**Service Music next week:** AM—Peggy VM/ Karla K

**Nursery Attendants today:** AM—Rachel G  
**Nursery Attendants next week:** AM—Lindsay DH

**Coffee Servers today:** AM—Herm & Cheryl R  
**Coffee Servers next week:** AM—Jay & Doris K  
**Cookies next week (4-5 dozen each):** Rachel G & Doris K

## Upcoming Offering Schedule:

Apr 26: AM—General Fund/ Divine Hope Seminary  
 May 3: AM—General Fund/ CEC  
 May 10: AM—General Fund/ Mid America Reformed Seminary  
 May 14 Ascension Day: JFA  
 May 17: AM—General Fund/ CEC  
 May 24: AM—General Fund/ Reformation Gospel Ministries  
 May 31: AM—General Fund/ Classis Church Assistance Fund

PM—Brooke L/ Lora K  
 PM—Laurel E

PM—Jenny F  
 PM—Audrey K

PM—Jon & Brooke L

PM—Benevolent Fund  
 PM—Building Fund  
 PM—Messiah's Reformed Fellowship-NYC

PM—Heidelberg Sem Philippine Students  
 PM—Rock Valley Community Impact  
 PM—Benevolent Fund

**Sunday, April 19, 2026 AM Sermon Outline**

Scripture Reading: Revelation 12

Sermon: ***The Woman and The Dragon***

Sermon Text: Revelation 12:1-6

**I. The Woman (vv. 1-2)**

Sign in Heaven (v. 1)

With Child (v. 2)

**II. The Dragon (vv. 3-4)**

Another Sign in Heaven (v. 3)

Fallen Angels (v. 4)

**III. The Child (vv. 5-6)**

A Child to Rule (v. 5)

Hiding (v. 6)

**Sunday, April 19, 2026 PM Sermon Outline**

Scripture Reading & Text: 1 John 4:12-16

Sermon: ***The Holy Spirit***

Reformed Confession: Lord's Day 20, Q/A 53, p. 27

**I. Filled with Love (v. 12)**

Proof

For One Another

**II. Filled with the Spirit (vv. 13-14)**

Spirit Given (v. 13)

Looks to the Son (v. 14)

**III. Filled with God's Love (vv. 15-16)**

Confession (v. 15)

Believe (v. 16)