

United in Prayer: Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries

Revs. Taylor Kern and Daniel Ventura are home missionaries with El Mesías in Ontario, CA.

1. Pray for Rev. Kern as he begins a new opportunity to be the Spanish language chaplain for the *Ontario Tower Buzzers*, which is a brand-new minor-league baseball team for the Dodgers in our city.
2. Pray for Rev. Ventura as he continues to learn Spanish and fills the pulpit more for *El Mesías*.
3. Pray for our single Spanish members, that God would provide them meaningful Christian friendships, and godly spouses in his perfect timing.
4. Pray for those who visit *El Mesías* on a regular basis, but who have not yet committed to membership, that they would become full members in Christ's church.



Rock Valley United Reformed Church

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Sunday, May 3, 2026

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Rev. Bill Green
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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, 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

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.naparcc.org

Morning Worship—9:30 AM

Prelude
 Call to Worship - Psalm 99:1-3
 Silent Prayer
 *Votum and Salutation
***Song of Praise # T-164**
 Reading of God's Holy Law - Exodus 20:1-17
Song of Penitence # T-475
 Assurance of Pardon - Psalm 1
 Congregational Prayer
 Offerings: General Fund/ CEC
 Offertory Prayer
***Song of Preparation # T-22B**
 Scripture Reading & Text: Exodus 20:18-21; 40:34-38
 Prayer of Illumination
 Sermon: *The Presence of God*
 Prayer of Application
***Song of Response # T-16A**
 *Benediction
***Doxology # T-472:1 & 5**
 *Reverent Reflection
 *Postlude

Evening Worship—6:00 PM

Prelude
 Hymn Sing: T-216 & T-265
 Call to Worship - Psalm 138:1-3
 Silent Prayer
 *Votum & Salutation
***Song of Praise # T-96**
 *Apostles' Creed (Blue PH, p. 3)
***Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)**
 Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 17
Song of Response # T-17:1-4 & 7
 Congregational Prayer
 Offering: Building Fund
 Offertory Prayer
***Song of Preparation # T-450**
 Scripture Reading & Text: Romans 10:8-13
 Reformed Confession: Heidelberg Catechism, LD 21
 Prayer of Illumination
 Sermon: *Believing the Gospel*
 Prayer of Application
***Song of Response # T-534**
 *God's Commission to His People- Summary of the Law
 *Benediction
***Doxology # T-281**
 *Reverent Reflection
 *Postlude

The Lord's Day - Sunday, May 3, 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. Maynard Koerner**, President of Heidelberg Seminary to lead our worship for both services. **Next Sunday** we will be led in worship by **Mr. Chris Bergstrom**, a student of Heidelberg Seminary.

Church Family: We express our Christian sympathy to **Herm and Cheryl Rozeboom** in the passing of their sister-in-law, **Mrs. Diane Rozeboom** of Rock Valley, who passed away on Wednesday, April 29. A visitation is scheduled for Monday, May 4 from 5:00PM-7:00PM at Porter Funeral Home. The funeral is set for Tuesday morning at 10:30AM at the Netherlands Reformed Church in Rock Valley.

At the Congregational Meeting held last Sunday, April 26, 2026, Brother Randy Kats was elected to the office of Elder and Brother Zach Garland was elected to the office of Deacon. The motion made to have Elder Loren Kooiman serve one more year in office also passed. Installation is scheduled for Sunday morning, June 7. We want to thank all of those who were willing to stand for nomination, and we pray that the Lord will bless those who have been called to serve as office bearers with wisdom and love. Thank you to all the members that participated in the meeting.
The Council

The Deacons will meet on Monday, May 4 at 6:00PM.
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The Consistory will meet on Thursday, May 7 at 7:00PM.

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.

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.

Reformed Mission Services is looking forward to hosting another SEED event in New York City from July 10 to 18, 2026. SEED is a week-long event focused on equipping and encouraging participants for evangelism. Through teaching, hands-on ministry, and fellowship, participants are challenged to live missionally in their daily lives. Rev. Paul Murphy will be instructing participants during the week. More information can be found at rms.org/seed.

Please pray for the RMS group serving in Japan this week. They will be assisting a local church with a mountain retreat, connecting with others through English exchange, social events, and Bible studies, taking part in college campus ministry in Nagoya, and supporting outreach efforts at Christ Center Church in Chiba.

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

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

Nursery Attendants today: AM—Cheryl R
Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Brooke L

Coffee Servers today: AM—Lorna VM & Gloria B
Cookies next week evening (4-5 dozen each): Karla K & Pam K
Coffee Servers next week: AM—Collin & Jenny F

Upcoming Offering Schedule:

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—Laurel E/ Karla K
 PM—Lora K

PM—Pam K
 PM—Sarah DJ

PM—Zach & Rachel G

PM—Messiah's Reformed Fellowship-NYC

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

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