

Join Mid-America Reformed Seminary on October 2–3 at Bethel Church in Lansing, IL, for the 2026 Center for Missions and Evangelism Conference, From Believing to Belonging: Hospitality and Evangelism in the Local Church. Speakers include John Bouwers, Greg Bylsma, Jon Dennis, Alan Strange, Dale Van Dyke, Heather Watkins, and Eric Wat-kins. Learn more and register at www.midamerica.edu/cme/conference.

The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling Training Course: Be better equipped to counsel and encourage with God's Word. The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC) is now enrolling students for their Basic Training Course which starts in September 2026 and ends in April 2027. This class equips the enrollee with biblical principles for addressing the problems of life that Christians encounter and gives the attendee the reformed, biblical perspective on how to counter-act these issues. In the Sioux Falls area, **this course will be taught at Cornerstone URC (Sanborn, Iowa) and Luverne CRC (Luverne, Minnesota)**. The opportunity exists to enroll in this course as an online student. For all enrollees in this course, the class will meet once a month in person to discuss materials that students have in-dependently watched and read (online course students will meet via Zoom). Topics include Biblical and theological principles for counseling, methods of counseling, and instruction on various counseling topics (anger, pornography, marriage, depression, etc.). More information can be found on the IRBC website about the course, locations, the cost, and how to enroll at (reformedcounseling.org).

United in Prayer: Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries. **Rev. Eric Kayayan** serves in France with Reformed Faith & Life. He asks us to pray in the following ways:

1. Please pray for progress with the next editing steps of my book to be published ("Do you understand what you are reading?")
2. Pray for good progress with the launching of our new website (www.foietviereformees.org)

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, July 26, 2026

Our Council

Elders	Deacons
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Our Supported Missionaries

Rev. Bill Green Costa Rica	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
Please submit bulletin announcements by Thursday at 10:00 AM.
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	Evening Worship—6:00 PM
Prelude	Prelude
Call to Worship - Psalm 113:1-4	Call to Worship - Psalm 117
Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
*Votum and Salutation	*Votum & Salutation
*Song of Praise - # T-113B	*Song of Praise - # T-117C
Reading of God’s Holy Law - Exodus 20:1-17	*Apostles’ Creed (Blue PH, p. 3)
Song of Penitence - # T-119A	*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)
Assurance of Pardon - Ephesians 2:8-10	Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 29
Congregational Prayer	Song of Response - # T-29B
Offerings: General Fund/ Youth Group	Congregational Prayer
Offertory Prayer	Offering: Benevolent Fund
*Song of Preparation - # T-162	Offertory Prayer
Scripture Reading & Text: John 1:3-5	*Song of Preparation - # T-227
Prayer of Illumination	Scripture Reading & Text: Romans 8:12-17
Sermon: <i>Creator, Life, and Light</i>	Confession: Lord’s Day 23, Q/A 59, TPH p. 881
Prayer of Application	Prayer of Illumination
*Song of Response - # T-171	Sermon: <i>Righteous in Christ</i>
*Benediction	Prayer of Application
*Doxology - # T-134:3	*Song of Response - # T-265
*Reverent Reflection	*God’s Commission to His People— Matt. 22:37-40
*Postlude	*Benediction
	*Doxology # T-544:3
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

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

Nursery Attendants today: AM—Audrey K
Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Sarah DJ

Coffee Servers today: AM—Gene & Dee VG
Cookies this evening (4-5 dozen each): Joanne C & Renae C
Coffee Servers next week: AM—Korrie & Sarita VM

Upcoming Offering Schedule:
Aug 2: AM—General Fund/ CEC
Aug 9: AM—General Fund/ Classis Central US
Aug 16: AM—General Fund/ CEC
Aug 23: AM—General Fund/ Messiah’s Ref. Fellowship
Aug 30: AM—General Fund/ Rev. Green

PM—Laurel E/ Karla K
PM—Peggy VM/ Karla K

PM—Pam K
PM—Brooke L

PM—Lorna VM & Gloria B

PM—Building Fund
PM—Heidelberg Seminary
PM—Reformed Missions Services (RMS)
PM—Classis Central Latino Missions
PM—Benevolent Fund

The Lord’s Day - Sunday, July 26, 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** to our pulpit **Dr. JP Mosley**, Academic Dean and professor at Heidelberg Seminary in Sioux Falls. Next Sunday we will welcome **Mr. Chris Bergstrom**, who is interning under Rev. Bushnell in Sioux Center URC for the summer and will return as a student at Heidelberg Seminary this fall.

The Consistory has begun the search for our next pastor. Please pray that the Lord will bring the man of His choosing to us. Also, if you have someone you think should be considered, please let the elders know.

Mark your Calendars: Our **Annual Church Picnic** will be held on Friday, August 21 in the Rock Valley City Park. We can enjoy the new indoor shelter house, while the children can run and play to their hearts’ content on the wonderful new play equipment in the park. We will have a potluck meal, and sign up sheets will be available. Mark your calendars now and plan on coming for a fine evening of food, fun and fellowship!

Save the Date: Rev. Joel and Janet Vander Kooi will be passing through our area in their summer travels, and plan to spend the weekends of August 23 and September 6 in Rock Valley. Rev. Vander Kooi will preach for us both of those Sundays. We would like to plan a **Congregational Fellowship Meal** for Sunday, August 23 after our morning worship service. More details and sign up sheets will be made available later, but for now save the date, particularly of August 23, so you can attend the Fellowship Meal.

Heidelberg Theological Seminary warmly invites you and your congregation to join us for our **annual Convocation Service** on Friday, August 28, at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Reformed Church (7301 S. Louise Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57108). This special service marks the beginning of a new academic year as we welcome our students and faculty. We will also have the opportunity to introduce our new full-time professor, Rev. Todd De Rooy of Redeemer United Reformed Church in Orange City, Iowa. Rev. De Rooy will bring the message during the service. A time of fellowship with refreshments will follow, and we would be delighted to have members of your congregation join us.

Hello from Abide! **Abide is a Reformed fellowship for single and married young adults** (age18-mid 30’s) in NAPARC churches aimed at cultivating intentional, like-minded Christian fellowship to strengthen the bonds between believers and their churches. Abide was formed by young adults from Trinity URC in Visalia, CA, and has grown to various chapters across the country. We would like to introduce MaryJo Mettler as the Area Coordinator of Events for the Greater Sioux Falls Area. MaryJo is a member of Zion Reformed Church (RCUS) of Menno, SD. We aim to host three to four events in our area annually. **August 29th, 2026 at 6PM** we will be gathering at Riverdale Park, 2000 E 24th St, Sioux Falls, SD 57105. Come for a night of volleyball, food, games, a devotional, and fellowship! We plan to be done by 8:30PM. Contact abide@abide.net for more information. Please register at this link before August 29th, 2026: <https://www.abide.net/event-details/sand-volleyball-night>. We hope to see you there!

Dust clays while learning more about the work **Reformed Mission Services** is doing. **This fund-raising event** will take place in the morning of September 26, at the Hunters Pointe Shooting Complex. Contact Lance Kooiman or go to rms.org/sd for more information!

Sunday, July 26, 2026 AM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading & Text: John 1:3-5

Sermon: ***Creator, Life, and Light***

I. Word and Creation - v. 3

Made through Him

All Things through Him

II. Word and Life - v. 4

I Am Life

Life of Man

III. Word and Light - v. 5

Light in Darkness

Comprehension?

Sunday, July 26, 2026 PM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:12-17

Confession: Lord’s Day 23, Q/A 59, TPH p. 881

Sermon: ***Righteous in Christ***

I. Debtors to Christ - vv. 12-13

Not in the Flesh - v. 12

To Christ - v. 13

II. Led by the Spirit - vv. 14-15

Not a Spirit of Bondage - v. 14

Spirit of Adoption - v. 15

III. Children of God - vv. 16-17

We are - v. 16

Heirs of God - v. 17