

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

All of the 2026 TASC events are now complete. RMS is thankful for another incredible summer filled with opportunities to serve, grow in faith, and build lasting relationships. You can view photos from this summer's trips by visiting rms.org/tasc. If your church is interested in hosting a TASC in the future, please contact Steve at steve@rms.org. Watch a video about hosting TASC at rms.org/host-tasc.

Visit rms.org/projects to learn about the Ministry Development projects currently supported by Reformed Mission Services. One project is helping a growing congregation in Liberia build a permanent church home where believers can gather for worship and the Gospel can continue to spread. Please pray for these projects and consider how you can help.

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

Rev. Colin Welch a church planter in Madison, IN.

1. For the Lord to use our first pre-profession of faith class this summer to stir up a mature faith in our covenant youth.
2. For the Lord's favor upon Phase 1 of our renovations. We hope to be in the new building by November.
3. For a good response to our grant applications and fundraising requests as we grow into the new costs of ownership of a larger space.



Rock Valley United Reformed Church

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Sunday, August 2, 2026

Our Council

Elders

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Lance Kooiman, Gen. Treas. 712-470-7326
Jon LeLoux, Chairman / Deacons 712-470-0389
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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

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 111:1-4	Hymn Sing—# T-539 and # T-525
Silent Prayer	Call to Worship - Psalm 107:1-3
*Votum and Salutation	Silent Prayer
*Song of Praise - # T-111B	*Votum & Salutation
Reading of God’s Holy Law - Exodus 20:1-17	*Song of Praise - # T-107B
Song of Penitence - # T-51Bb	*Apostles’ Creed (Blue PH, p. 3)
Assurance of Pardon - Romans 5:1-2	*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)
Congregational Prayer	Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 30
Offerings: General Fund/ CEC	Song of Response - # 52
Offertory Prayer	Congregational Prayer
*Song of Preparation - # T-501	Offering: Building Fund
Scripture Reading & Text: Matthew 5:13-16	Offertory Prayer
Prayer of Illumination	*Song of Preparation - # 348
Sermon: <i>Salty Reflections</i>	Scripture Reading & Text: Psalm 113
Prayer of Application	Confession: Lord’s Day 52, Q/A 128-129, TPH p. 896
*Song of Response - # T-445	Prayer of Illumination
*Benediction	Sermon: <i>Praise the Lord , for He... Is!</i>
*Doxology - # T-69B:4	Prayer of Application
*Reverent Reflection	*Song of Response - # T-113A
*Postlude	*God`s Commission to His People– Matt. 22:37-40
	*Benediction
	*Doxology # T-562:1-2
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

Service Music today: AM—Peggy VM/ Karla K	PM—Peggy VM/ Karla K
Service Music next week: AM—Lora K	PM—Lora K
Nursery Attendants today: AM—Sarah DJ	PM—Brooke L
Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Cheryl R	PM—Jenny F
Coffee Servers today: AM—Korrie & Sarita VM	
Coffee Servers next week: AM—Rachel G & Peggy VM	PM—John & Joanne C
Cookies next week (4-5 dozen each): Sarah DJ & Lindsay DH	
Upcoming Offering Schedule:	
Aug 9: AM—General Fund/ Classis Central US	PM—Heidelberg Seminary
Aug 16: AM—General Fund/ CEC	PM—Reformed Missions Services (RMS)
Aug 23: AM—General Fund/ Messiah’s Ref. Fellowship	PM—Classis Central Latino Missions
Aug 30: AM—General Fund/ Rev. Green	PM—Benevolent Fund

The Lord’s Day - Sunday, August 2, 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 **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. Mr. Bergstrom will also be filling our pulpit next week.

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.

The deacons will meet on Monday, August 3, at 6:00PM.
The council will meet on Monday, August 3, at 7:00PM.

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!

Sunday, August 2, 2026 AM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading & Text: Matthew 5:1316

Sermon: ***Salty Reflections***

Theme: Christ’s followers preserve and illuminate a fallen world.

I. Preserving a World of Decay

II. Illuminating a World of Darkness

Sunday, August 2, 2026 PM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading: Psalm 113 Confession: Lord's Day 52, Q/A 128-129, TPH p. 896

Sermon: ***Praise the Lord, for He...Is!***

I. Mandated to Praise Him

II. He is Majestic

III. He is Merciful