

THE ANNUAL SPORTING CLAY FUNDRAISER hosted by RMS is just around the corner! The event is scheduled for September 26 More information is available at rms.org/sd or by contacting Lance Kooiman.

Join RMS in Costa Rica October 12–19, 2026, for a week of service, fellowship, and ministry as we work alongside the congregation in Los Cuadros. We are especially looking for welders to join the team! Visit rms.org/costa-rica for more information, trip details, and registration. We would love to have you join us!

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 counteract 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 independently 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).

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United in Prayer: Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries.
Rev. Paul Murphy is an evangelist in NYC.

1. Praise that the Boro Studies are growing and expanding to other parts of the city.
2. Pray for those I follow up with that they may know Christ savingly.
3. Pray for a new facility for worship as a new search committee begins work.
4. Pray for a space to rent for multiple uses (bible study, prayer, counseling) where we can follow up with evangelistic contacts.

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, August 30, 2026

Our Council

Elders	Deacons
Loren Kooiman, Clerk 712-470-1414	Lance Kooiman, Gen. Treas. 712-470-7326
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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 - Isaiah 2:3	Call to Worship - Matthew 11:28-30
Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
*Votum and Salutation	*Votum & Salutation
*Song of Praise - # T-122A	*Song of Praise - # T-122A
Reading of God’s Holy Law - Exodus 20:1-17	*Apostles’ Creed (Blue PH, p. 3)
Song of Penitence - # T-51C	*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)
Assurance of Pardon - Romans 8:1; Psalm 103:8-14	Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 34
Congregational Prayer	Song of Response - # T-34B
Offerings: General Fund/ Rev. Green in Cost Rica	Congregational Prayer
Offertory Prayer	Offering: Benevolent Fund
*Song of Preparation - # T-1B	Offertory Prayer
Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34	*Song of Preparation - # T-63A:1-5
Scripture Text: 1 John 2:18-27	Scripture Reading: Hebrews 12:3-17
Prayer of Illumination	Scripture Text: Numbers 21:4-9
Sermon: <i>It is the last hour — Abide in the Son and in the Father</i>	Prayer of Illumination
Prayer of Application	Sermon: <i>Look and Live!</i>
*Song of Response - # T-391	Prayer of Application
*Benediction	*Song of Response - # T-287
*Doxology - # T-69B:4	*God’s Commission to His People— Matt. 22:37-40
*Reverent Reflection	*Benediction
*Postlude	*Doxology # T-562:1-2
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

Service Music today: AM—Brooke L/ Karla K	PM—Brooke L/ Karla K
Service Music next week: AM—Peggy VM/Lora K	PM—Peggy VM/Lora K
Nursery Attendants today: AM—Sarah DJ	PM—Audrey K
Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Brooke L	PM—Jenny F
Coffee Servers today: AM—Cheyenne & Ronin DJ	
Cookies next week (4-5 dozen each): Lora K & Pam K	
Coffee Servers next week: AM—Herm & Cheryl R	PM— Sarita VM & Brooke L
Upcoming Offering Schedule:	
Sept 6: AM—General Fund/ CEC	PM—Building Fund
Sept 13: AM—General Fund/ Mid America Ref Seminary	PM—ITEM
Sept 20: AM—General Fund/ CEC	PM—Heidelberg Sem Philippine Students
Sept 27: AM—General Fund/ MINTS	PM—Benevolent Fund

The Lord’s Day - Sunday, August 30, 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 Mr. Shaun Raap**, who is a student at Greenville Seminary and a member of Christ Reformed Church (URCNA) of Sioux Falls. **Next week** we will welcome our former pastor, Rev. Joel Vander Kooi, back to our pulpit. May the Lord be glorified as we worship and fellowship together!

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.

Sunday School and Catechism classes will begin on Sunday, September 13. Materials will be handed out next Sunday, September 6. Teacher and student room assignments will be on the center table in the foyer. Students should go to their assigned classrooms to collect their lessons.

The Acts of Synod Calgary 2026 are now available for purchase. The cost will be approximately \$15—\$20 per copy. If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please contact Loren Kooiman by September 13.

Church Family: We rejoice with **Loren Kooiman** in the successful surgery for prostate cancer on Thursday, August 27 in Sioux Falls. He returned home Friday, August 28, to begin the journey of recovery. We give thanks to the Lord that the surgery was successful and pray that Loren may have a speedy recovery and return to normal life soon. **From Tom and Mylicah Smith** as they minister to the Cherokee nation: This past summer Tom has been disciplining two Cherokee brothers Jacob and Earl. Jacob is 22 and Earl is 15. We were just asked for prayer by their mother, Maggie, for Earl. One of his friends committed suicide in the last couple of days. This is the second friend of Earls that has committed suicide in the last four months. His mother and brother are very concerned for Earl. Earl is refusing to talk to anyone and is acting like he is strong and not hurt at all by these tragedies. We are praying that the Holy Spirit works in Earl so that Tom will be able to talk to Earl and for a hedge of protection around Earl. God is good and we are trusting Him to work all things for His glory and for Earl’s good and the good of everyone involved.

Stand and Deliver will be hosted by Redeemer URC in Orange City for our area high school youth groups on **September 12, 2026 at Unity Christian High School** starting at 5 p.m. Our speaker will be Rev. Daniel Hofland from Doon URC. Come dressed for gym activities with appropriate gym clothes and shoes. Food and fun will be provided!

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Sunday, August 30, 2026 AM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-.4 Text: 1 John 2:18-27

Sermon: ***It is the last hour—Abide in the Son and in the Father***

I. The Reality of Spiritual Opposition (vv. 18-19)

II. Rest in the Spirit’s Anointing (vv. 20-21)

III. Reject their Foundational Lies (vv. 22-23)

IV. Remian in Christ (vv. 24-27)

Sunday, August 30, 2026 PM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 12:3-17 Text: Numbers 21:4-9

Sermon: ***Look and Live!***

I. The Poison of unbelief (vs. 4-5)

II. The Pain of Judgement (vs.6-7)

III. The Provision of Salvation (vs. 8-9)