

JOIN RMS FOR LUNCH ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26! If you are not shooting at the Sporting Clay Fundraiser but want to join us for lunch you can! Enjoy a meal while watching all the activities. Lunch will be available for a free will donation. There is still time to register as an individual or as a sponsor just go to rms.org/sd You can also register at the door on September 26. For more information about this event, please contact Lance Kooiman.

Sign up TODAY for Costa Rica! Join RMS in Costa Rica October 12–19, 2026, for a week of service, fellowship, and ministry alongside the congregation in Los Cuadros. We are especially looking for welders, but there is work for everyone willing to serve! Registration has been extended through September 18, so don't wait! Visit rms.org/costa-rica for more information.

Volunteers Needed for Upcoming RMS Ministry Development Trips: Costa Rica, October 12–19, 2026; Japan, November 12–24, 2026; Peru, November 27–December 5, 2026; and the Dominican Republic, January 4–11, 2027. There are opportunities for people with a variety of skills and abilities to serve. Visit rms.org/trips for more information and to learn how you can be part of a team.

- United in Prayer:** Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries. **Rev. Mitchell Persaud** is a church planter in Scarborough, ON. He asks us to pray in the following ways:
1. Pray God will prepare and provide godly spouses for our young people so they can start families.
 2. Pray God will bless the leadership training course starting in September.
 3. Pray God will bless our teaching to lead those being evangelized to faith in Christ, or those who are his, to grow in him.
 4. Pray God will bless those in profession of faith class, that they will publicly profess their faith in Jesus.



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Sunday, September 13, 2026

Our Council

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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

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

Morning Worship—9:30 AM	Evening Worship—6:00 PM
Prelude	Prelude
Call to Worship - Hebrews 1:1-4	Call to Worship - Revelation 1:12-18
Silent Prayer	Silent Prayer
*Votum and Salutation	*Votum & Salutation
*Song of Praise - # T-8A	*Song of Praise - # T-281
Reading of God's Holy Law - Exodus 20:1-17	*Apostles' Creed (Blue PH, p. 3)
Song of Penitence - # T-79B	*Gloria Patri # 491 (unannounced)
Assurance of Pardon - Psalm 145:8-9	Psalm of Praise Reading - Psalm 36
Preparatory Exhortation, Blue PH p. 149	Song of Response - # T-237
Congregational Prayer	Congregational Prayer
Offerings: General Fund/ Mid America Ref. Seminary	Offering: ITEM
Offertory Prayer	Offertory Prayer
*Song of Preparation - # T-119L	*Song of Preparation - # T-273
Scripture Reading & Text: Colossians 1:15-17	Scripture Reading & Text: James 5:12
Prayer of Illumination	Confession: Lord's Day 37, Q/A 101-102, p. 890-891
Sermon: <i>Jesus Christ, Our All in All, Part 1</i>	Prayer of Illumination
Prayer of Application	Sermon: <i>On Unnecessary Oaths</i>
*Song of Response - # T-288	Prayer of Application
*Benediction - Numbers 6:24-26	*Song of Response - # T-538
*Doxology - # T-565:1-2	*God's Commission to His People— Matt. 22:37-40
*Reverent Reflection	*Benediction - 2 Corinthians 13:14
*Postlude	*Doxology # T-216:5
	*Reverent Reflection
	*Postlude

Schedules and Opportunities to Serve:

Service Music today: AM—Laurel E/ Lora K	PM—Laurel E/ Lora K
Service Music next week: AM—Lora K	PM—Lora K
Nursery Attendants today: AM—Cheyenne & Jayden DJ	PM—Cheryl R
Nursery Attendants next week: AM—Lindsay DH	PM—Audrey K
Coffee Servers today: AM—Al & Marlene VK	PM—Randy & Pam K
Cookies this evening (4-5 dozen each): Rachel G & Pam K	
Coffee Servers next week: AM—Lorna VM & Gloria B	
Upcoming Offering Schedule:	
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, September 13, 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. Doug Schlegel**, professor at Heidelberg Seminary in Sioux Falls, to lead us in worship. **Next Sunday** we will be led in worship and sacrament by **Dr. Maynard Koerner**, President of Heidelberg Seminary. May the Lord be glorified as we worship and fellowship together!

Today begins a week of Preparation for Holy Communion next Sunday morning, September 20, D.V. We will find Preparatory Devotionals in our mailboxes today to guide us in our preparation. Any visitors who wish to join us at the Table are requested to either speak to one of the elders sometime this week or to speak to the elders before the service next Sunday morning.

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 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 TODAY.

Youth Sunday School and Catechism classes will meet immediately following our morning service today.

Classis Central US will meet on Monday and Tuesday, September 14 - 15 at Sioux Center URC. Representing Rock Valley URC will be Elders Jay Kragt and Randy Kats. Please pray for wisdom and discernment as they take up their important work for the churches, that God may be honored in all they do, and for traveling mercies for all who attend.

Word & Deed Prayer Update - Natural Disasters: In 2026 alone, severe earthquakes (Venezuela, Indonesia, Colombia), widespread flooding (Myanmar, Nepal), and droughts (South Sudan, Kenya) have left entire communities in desperate need of food, shelter, and spiritual encouragement. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, Word & Deed has already approved over \$450,000 CAD/\$325,000 USD in disaster relief funding so far this year. Though the earth continues to groan, our partners have used these tragedies as opportunities to share the hope of the Gospel with countless suffering individuals. Please pray that the words of life take hold on many hearts that are desperate for the peace that only our Creator can provide. Please visit wordanddeed.org/disasterrelief for more information on some of these projects.

You are warmly invited to a Word & Deed dinner on Thursday, October 8 at Doon URC (Lord willing). We are honored to welcome guest speaker Rev. Lawr, General Secretary for the Reformed & Presbyterian Church in Northeast India, who will share about the 2023 conflict in Manipur and how their church community was impacted. Word & Deed continues to walk alongside them in faith and ministry. Please join us for this meaningful time of fellowship and an update on ministry work! Please sign up at wordanddeed.org/doon. Doors open at 6; dinner begins at 6:30 pm.

Sunday, September 13, 2026 AM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading & Text: Colossians 1:15-17

Sermon: ***Jesus Christ, Our All in All, Part 1***

Theme: *The Lord Jesus Christ is preeminent in relation to creation*

I. Jesus Christ, who is Firstborn of All, v. 15

II. Jesus Christ, who is Creator of All, v. 16

III. Jesus Christ, who is Before All, v. 17

Sunday, September 13, 2026 PM Sermon Outline

Scripture Reading & Text: James 5:12 Confession: H.C., Lord’s Day 37, Q/A 101-102, p. 890-891

Sermon: ***On Unnecessary Oaths***

Theme: *The biblical imperative to guard our speech to the glory of God*

I. The Issue at Hand

II. The Theological Foundation

III. The Practical Applications