



Church Profile

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Why You Will Love Alto...

**Our mission is clear.**

Our mission is to know Jesus and make Jesus known.

**Our ministries are multi-generational.**

Our ministries include members of every generation. We encourage each person to use his or her spiritual gifts.

**Our church really is a caring family.**

Because we have a strong sense of community, love, and respect, we extend the love of Jesus to those around us.

**Our history inspires us toward faithful living.**

Many of the families that founded our church are still here, faithfully serving, growing, and reaching out to the world.

**Our foundation is God's Word.**

We are nothing without Christ, and we believe the Bible is the Word of God.

**Our generosity has enabled us to do**

more. Our church also acknowledges the size of the mission field and responds generously.

**Our leadership is strong and healthy.**

We are blessed to have strong leaders serving on our consistory, staff, and volunteering in our church and community.

**Our community is a great place to live.**

Our church is in a rural setting located in the town of Alto, WI.



Our mission is clear.

We resonate with Paul when he said, *"I want to know Christ..."* (Philippians 3:10) and *"It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known."* (Romans 15:20) Our mission is to know Jesus and make Jesus known. This is what guides us.

Our Vision

Develop and Deploy
Christ-like Leaders

Our Strategic Priorities

Inspiring people to worship,
Caring for people well, and
Equipping people to live missionally.

Our Core Values

At Alto, by God's Grace...
Our Hearts Care Deeply
Our Souls Pray & Praise
Our Minds Consume the Bible
Our Mouths Speak Truth & Life
Our Hands Help & Give
Our Feet Go to the Lost around the World while
Equipping Future Generations here at home

Our Mission

Know Jesus and
Make Jesus
Known



**ALTO
REFORMED
CHURCH**



Our church really is a caring family.

If we could summarize our church in one word, the Alto Reformed Church (ARC) could be summed up by the word “CARING”. We express our very welcoming spirit to visitors. Because we have a strong sense of community, love, and respect, we extend the love of Jesus to those who walk through our doors, and we reach out to the needs of the community in general. The ARC congregation desires to reach out to others and to grow together.



<u>Membership</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2018</u>
Communicant:	536	539	505
Baptized:	279	337	321
Households:	285	286	297



Our foundation is God's Word.

The foundation of our church, and perhaps our most important strengths, include our unconditional commitment to the inerrancy of Scripture and our loyalty to Christ as Head of the Church. We are nothing without Christ, and we believe the Bible is the Word of God. The ARC stands on these principles. With a desire to stand with other churches we have joined The Gospel Alliance.

To learn more about our beliefs, please visit our website,

www.altoreformedchurch.org/our-beliefs.html

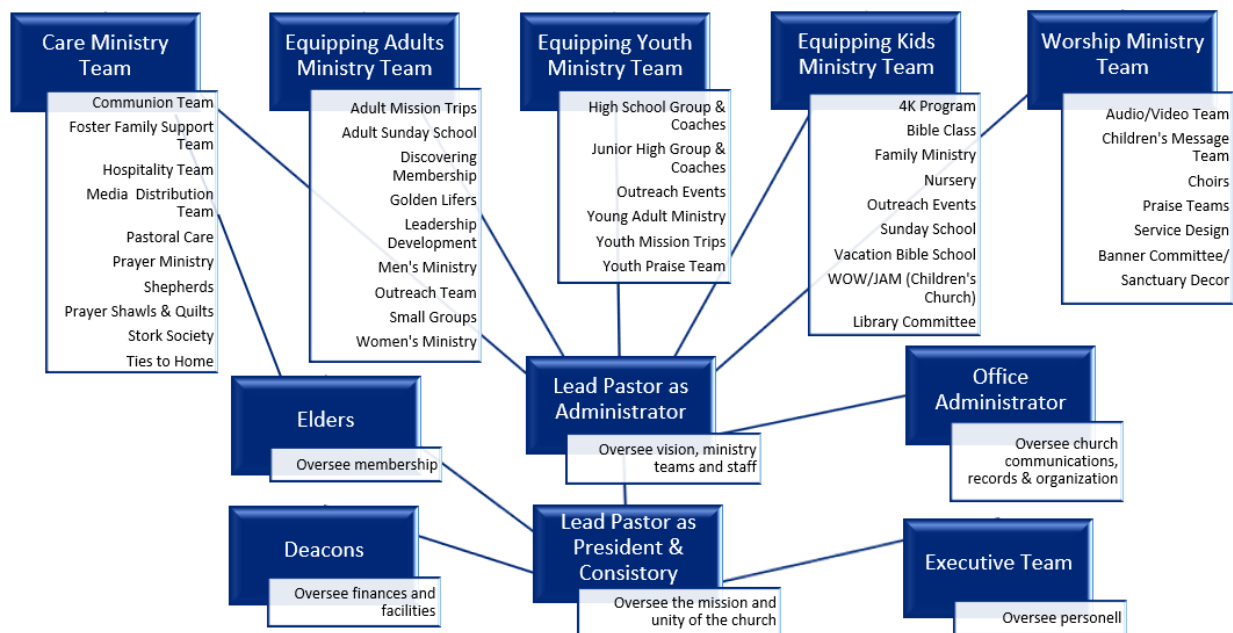
or to review our membership information, please visit

www.altoreformedchurch.org/our-mission.html



Our leadership is strong and healthy.

We are blessed to have an abundance of humble, wise elders and plenty of young, dedicated men serving as deacons. Our staff is energetic and fun to work with. You can learn more about them at www.altoreformedchurch.org/our-staff. We also have strong leaders volunteering in the church and the community.



Consistory Information: The consistory is comprised of 9 Elders and 9 Deacons. The consistory is selected by congregational nomination, consistory approval, and congregational election. Each member serves a 3-year term, with one-third of the consistory being replaced on an annual basis.

Elders		Deacons	
Age	Occupation	Age	Occupation
64	Electrical Engineer	36	Carpenter
59	Fuel Delivery	32	Teacher
72	Sales	44	Business
59	Retired	30	IS Consultant
71	Dairy Farmer	43	Town Maintenance
61	Dairy Farmer	35	Architect
74	Retired	34	Plumber
58	Forklift Driver	43	Wholesale Sales Manager
62	Farmer	41	Dairy Farmer



Our ministries are multi-generational.

Another one of our strengths is the encouragement of each person to exercise his or her spiritual gifts. We have many ministries to get involved in, and anyone can find his or her niche, no matter what age. Additionally, the ARC is striving to equip each age level, from nursery up through retired adults; providing a place where each person can grow in the Lord.



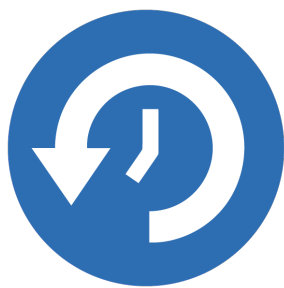
MINISTRIES

- BIBLE STUDIES
- GOLDEN LIFERS
- MEN'S MINISTRIES
- MID-WEEK STUDENT BIBLE CLASSES
- MUSIC & CHOIRS
- PRAYER MINISTRY
- SMALL GROUPS
- SUNDAY SCHOOL
- WOMEN'S MINISTRIES
- WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CIRCLE
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
- YOUTH GROUPS

2018 AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 331

2018 AVERAGE BIBLE CLASS ATTENDANCE: 49

2018 AVERAGE SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 86



Our history inspires us toward faithful living.

In 1847, Dutch settlers found their way to the middle of Wisconsin, established homes and began worshipping together. Many of these families are still here, faithfully serving, growing, and reaching out to the world. As you read of their challenges overcome and their deep devotion to God's Word, you will be inspired to carry the torch they lit and build on the legacy they have left behind.

Former Pastors

Senior Pastors

Ted Lindman (2000-2001 & 2011-2015)
Gregg Pusateri (2001-2010)
David Klanderman (1997-1999)
Robert Otto (1986-1995)
Cornie Keunen (1977-1985)
Richard Bouwkamp (1966-76)
LeRoy Sandee (1956-1965)
H.B. Poppen (1950-1956)
J.C. Van Wyk (1942-1947)
J.H. Kregel (1924-1941)
G.J. Hekhuis (1917-1923)
H.J. Pietenpol (1908-1916)
J.M. Lumkus (1900-1908)
H. Harmelink (1894-1900)
K.W. TeWinkel (1886-1900)
J.F. Zwemer (1883-1886)
J.H. Karsten (1864-1865 & 1869-1882)
R. Pieters (1865-1869)
M.A. Ypma (1860-1863)
H. Stobbelaar (1857-1860)
G. Baay (1848-1849)

Minister of Pastoral Care

Ted Medema (1998-April 2018)

Associate Pastors

Doug Shotsky (2018-2022)
Amy Nyland (2009-2010)
Kenneth Petty Jr. (1992-1996)
James Dykstra (1981-1992)
Gary Van Heukelom (1978-1980)

To read more about the history of Alto Reformed Church, please visit our website, <https://www.altoreformedchurch.org/our-history.html>





Our generosity has enabled us to do more.

Our church also acknowledges the size of the mission field and responds generously. We have great missions support, both financially and spiritually. 20-25% of our annual offerings go to local, national, and international missions. We have a history of meeting needs and funding major projects quickly.

We currently have no debt, and we do not receive financial assistance from denominational sources. We have no other fundraising programs that support the church.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total Received for Congregational Purposes:	\$752,403.00	\$687,815.00
Total Contributed to Benevolence & Missions:	\$172,290.00	\$134,620.00

The benevolent causes we support include:

Local

- Anonymous Local Needs
- Brandon & Waupun Food Pantries
- Christian Home Chaplain
- Church Health Services
- Holiday Help
- REACH
- Salvation Army
- Youth for Christ
- Youth Group Retreats

Missions

- Audio Scriptures
- Bible League International
- Camp Manitoqua
- Caribbean Christian Center for the Deaf
- Compassion International
- Designated Missionaries
- Gideons International
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- KLOVE/WNWC Christian Radio
- Natural Disaster Relief
- Remember Nhu
- Words of Hope





Our community is a great place to live.

Alto Reformed Church is in a rural setting located in the town of Alto, Wisconsin. We are 5 miles from Waupun (population of 11,340), a half an hour from the larger cities of Fond du Lac and Beaver Dam, and roughly an hour drive to the major cities of Madison, Milwaukee, and Appleton. The population of the town of Alto is approximately 1,103. Its primary industry comes from a cheese processing plant within its borders, and the agricultural industry employs a large percentage of area residents. The congregation is comprised of members from Alto and the surrounding communities, including Brandon, Waupun, and others. Alto is located in the [Waupun Area School District](#). The [Laconia \(Brandon and Rosendale\) School District](#) is a near-by option for families. Waupun also has the Central Wisconsin Christian School and a homeschool network.

The Alto Fair gives a wonderful picture of the community's values. This small fair brings 2,000-3,000 people to our small town. It's in the middle of the week to avoid Sunday and there is no alcohol or entrance fee. The food tent is run by volunteers and the proceeds cover most of the event's expenses. Read more about it here: <https://www.usatoday.com/story/life/2017/07/29/alto-4-h-and-farm-bureau-fair-slice-wisconsin-charm/512761001/>

Although our church has strong roots, we realize that we cannot squander the opportunities and the talents God has provided us with. We must encourage each other to grow together in faith and to live out this faith daily. We believe that we must live a Christ-centered, God-serving life.



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Phone:	(920)346-5505
Email:	office@altoreformedchurch.org
Website:	www.altoreformedchurch.org
Service Times:	Sunday at 9:30am Sunday School at 10:45am
Lead Pastor:	Rev. Kevin Van Wyk
Equipping Adults Pastor:	Doug Shotsky
Equipping Children Director:	Adrea Daane
Equipping Youth Director:	Jessa Ter Beest
Office Administrator:	Megan Vande Zande
Denomination:	Alliance of Reformed Churches
Chair of Search Team:	Rev. Kevin Van Wyk
Search Team Members:	Executive Team