

Mission Statement

To the glory of God, the Harvest Community Church is to gather and nurture God's growing family.

Purpose

To **Glorify** God through worship in spirit and in truth
To **Gather** God's family through outreach
To **Grow** in grace and knowledge of Jesus through discipleship
To **Give** back of ourselves what God has given through service
To be **Grafted** to one another through Holy Spirit fellowship

Core Value

If anything good is going to happen, God has to do it.

Therefore, it is important for us to always look to discern what God is doing and join Him in His work.

Such discovery will be

- **Led by scripture**
- **Based on spiritual giftedness**
- **Bathed in prayer**
- **An outgrowth of small group intimacy**

ELDER/DEACON DISTRICTS:

J. Pepper/R. Duits—Baum thru Griffin

K. Oosterhouse/T. Zook—Hilley thru Pepper

D. Beach/S. Oosterhouse—Redder thru T. Zook

Church phone—374-8697
Church email—info@harvestcrc.com
Pastor's email—ben@harvestcrc.com
Church website: www.harvestcrc.com

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday Services

Worship Service—9:30 a.m. (Children's Worship during service)

Sunday School—11:00 a.m. Sept-May

Small Group Ministry—Sunday evenings

(CHEERS in the home 1st and 3rd Sundays,
Bible Study at church 2nd and 4th Sundays.)

Weekday Ministries

Coffee Break/Story Hour/Little Lambs

Wednesdays 9:00—10:45 a.m. Sept.—May

Moms in Touch Prayer

Wednesdays—11:30 a.m. Sept-May

*CHEERS (Caring, Hope, Encouragement, Enlightenment, Respect, Support)

Consistory-

Pastor Ben Ridder

Elders Joel Pepper—2019

David Beach—2020

Ken Oosterhouse—2021

Deacons Tyler Zook—2019

Seth Oosterhouse—2020

Richard Duits—2021



Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

November 11, 2018

We are happy you are here!

“Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him...The world and it’s desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.” 1 John 2:15, 17

Morning Worship

Message: The Will of God

Scripture: Romans 12:2

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Tonight: No Hebrews Study tonight

Please join us for coffee and fellowship time following the service this morning

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we welcome back Pastor Ben’s good friend, Tom DeVries (recently retired from Middleville CRC) to lead us in worship while Pastor Ben and Karilynn are caring for their grandchildren in Maryland.

The special offering this morning will be given to Open Doors, a ministry to those who are being persecuted for their faith around the world.

There will be no Hebrews Study tonight.

At our worship service next Sunday we will be remembering our persecuted brothers and sisters around the world. All are invited to the shared dinner following the service. Please see the back table, sign up and take a recipe from the folder to make for the dinner. Recipes from the top 14 of the most persecuted countries on the World Watch List will be featured. Drinks and table service will be provided.

The Quilting/Sewing Group will meet on Tuesday night at 6:00 pm. You can help with a few quilts that are in progress and will be given away or bring your own project to work on.

Consistory meets on Wednesday night at 7:00 pm. Richard Duits will be hosting.

Coffee Break/Little Lambs meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. Our lesson this week is the last Beatitude from Matthew 5:10-12 and we’ll also look at Acts 5:17-42. Women, please join us.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes—The Sunday School kids will be packing shoeboxes in their classrooms during the Sunday School hour next Sunday morning. There are still a few items needed (see the side wall or go online: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E094EA5AA2AA4FA7-operation1>). Please have all items here at church by Friday, November 16. Remember it is so much more than a shoebox, it can change a life of a child, their family, their community.

Prayer Chain. Those of you who signed up to be on the new prayer chain, please pick up the new prayer chain from your mailbox this morning if you have not already done so. We will be using the new chain for the next year. The chain will be activated whenever a request from anyone comes in to the church office (374-8697) to or to Pastor Ben (374-8576).

Lakewood Community Council Christmas Baskets—Harvest will be participating again this year in this community wide ministry to families who need assistance. We are asked to supply gifts for ten girls-age 8, five girls-age 13, and two girls-age 11. See the back table for the sign up sheet and for other ways you can help make this Christmas brighter for someone in the Lake Odessa area.

From the Deacons. The parsonage repair project which includes siding, soffits, some windows, and enclosing the screen porch as an indoor living area will begin soon. Total project cost is \$35,000. We have budgeted some of the cost in Capital Improvement Fund and we have received about \$9800 in offerings. Through your generous giving we are hoping for another \$5200 to meet our goal of \$15,000. Please consider how you may be able to help. Any donations can be noted and put in the offering plate or sent to the church office. Thank you!

Just a reminder—Sermons are available on the church website www.harvestcrc.com under the sermons tab. You may also access the weekly bulletin there.

Advance Notice—a Community-wide Thanksgiving service will be held at Zion Lutheran Church at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, November 21.

From Chaplaincy and Care Ministries. Pray for Chaplains—Chaplaincy is a healing, reconciling ministry of God, an expression and extension of God’s activity and mission in the world. The CRC endorses 140 chaplains to embody the grace of Christ in our communities. Join us in praying for and supporting the ministries of chaplains everywhere.

“Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him for he cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:6,7

Please pray for _____

Date _____ (tear off and place in offering or prayer room bowl.)

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service
	11:00 am—Sunday School
Monday	7:00 pm—Worship Team
Tuesday	6:00 pm—Quilting/Sewing Group
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break/Little Lambs
	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting
	7:00 pm—Consistory

From the Deacons: Offerings Received

November 4	General Fund	\$ 2,238.94
	Capital Improvement Parsonage	\$435.00
	Benevolent Fund	\$50.00

ASSIGNMENTS

Nursery

Today: Julie Kastanek, Joann Gerke, Emily Kastanek
November 18: Sherri Van’t Land, Bonnie Frost, Jeremiah Flohr

Greeters

Today and November 18: Cindi Coats, Bob Green

Prayer Family this week

Keep in your prayers this week: Jim Zook family

Prayer Ministry

Today: Gail Pepper November 18: Joel Pepper

Coffee Host/Hostess:

Today: Fritz and Bonnie Frost

November 18: Harlene Westendorp *Snacks—Open

*Sign up sheet to provide snacks is on the back table