

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

... and he is named

Wonderful
Counselor,
Mighty
God,
Everlasting
Father,
Prince
of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6, NRSV

Harvest Community
Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

December 30, 2018

We are happy you are here!

“His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of who called us by his own glory and goodness.” 2 Peter 1:3

Morning Worship

Message: Power to Spare

Scripture: Acts 1:1-0

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I'm not sure why it happens but it seems like every year I run out of steam during the week between Christmas and New Years. It could be the busyness of the holidays or perhaps I'm having a power outage. We all know what that's like. So how do we avoid those power outages? Listen this morning to find out.

We welcome **Richard Mearns** to share with us from God's Word this morning. Pastor Ben and Karilynn are visiting family in Maryland.

Second offering next Sunday morning will be for the Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church.

Sunday School classes will not be meeting this morning. All classes will resume next Sunday.

Coffee Break/Little Lambs will not be meeting this week. Our next meeting will be January 9 and we'll be looking at Matthew 5:31-37; 19:3-9 for our study and discussion time. All women are always welcome to join us.

The **parsonage repair project** will be completed soon. We are just under \$2000 from meeting our goal of \$15,000 collected for this project. Thank you for your generous donations toward this goal! Anything you would like to give can be noted and put in the offering plate or sent to the church office.

Our **TREASURE HUNT** event is being planned for the afternoon of Saturday, February 2. This will be a fun time for the whole family. Please consider who you can invite among your neighbors and friends. More details to follow.

Outreach Purpose Group will be having a workshop on Monday, January 7 at 6:00 to prepare materials for the Treasure Hunt event scheduled for February 2. Join us if you can, to help get things ready. Pizza will be provided. Send an email to the church (marshann@harvestcrc.com) if you will be coming so we know how much pizza to order.

Harvest Table food preparation is changed to Thursday, January 17 at 1:00 here in the Harvest kitchen. We'll be preparing food for the freezer in order to have ready-to-heat-up meals available for people following hospital stays or other life disrupting events. Any questions you have can be directed to Marilyn DeJong.

January 15 (note date change) Classis Meeting at Princeton CRC will feature a workshop for anyone interested—7-8:30 pm. The workshop description is as follows: Congregations today are met with a new fast changing culture. There is a sense of urgency to recognize the cultural influences on the church and the new tools and skills that are needed for the congregation to meet these changes. Yet change is often met with fear and sense of loss. Amy Schenkel from Resonate Global Missions and Laura Keeley from Faith Formation Ministries will lead an hour-long workshop identifying these cultural shifts and considering changes that churches can make to respond to them. Resource Take-Away: an evaluative tool for your current missional and faith formation activities.

From Faith Formation Ministries—Family Faith Formation Tip—As one year ends and a new year begins, gather as a family to remember the highs and lows of the past year. Thank God for being with you through everything that has happened. Then talk about what's coming up in the new year. This is also a great time to start new family faith formation practices in your home! (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

“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
Monday 7:00 pm—Worship Team
Wednesday 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons: Offerings Received
December 23: General Fund \$ 3,481.50
Guiding Light Mission \$287.00

ASSIGNMENTS

Nursery

Today: Sherri Van't Land, Julie Kastanek, Gabe Flohr
January 6: Jenny Reynolds, Mary Flohr, Brennan Reser

Greeters

Today and January 6: Phil and Sandie Burke

Prayer Family this week

Keep in your prayers this week: P. Burke family

Prayer Ministry

Today: Gail Pepper January 6: Joel Pepper

Coffee Host/Hostess:

Today: Noah Garn
January 6: Carole Jackson Snacks—Open

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