

## 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. Flohr/J. Leazier—Baum thru T. Hilley**

**K. Oosterhouse/R. Duits—Jackson thru Reynolds**

**D. Beach/S. Oosterhouse—B. Ridder thru T. Zook**

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## 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 David Beach—2020

Ken Oosterhouse—2021

Jason Flohr—2022

Deacons Seth Oosterhouse—2020

Richard Duits—2021

Joe Leazier—2022



## Harvest Community Church

*A Christian Reformed Ministry*

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

# Welcome to Harvest Church

December 1, 2019

*We are happy you are here!*

*“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.”*  
I John 3:1-3, 16-18

## Morning Worship

**Message: The End, The Beginning**

**Scripture:** I John 3:1-3, 16-18

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**Sunday School Classes for all ages—11:00 am**

**Tonight: 6:00 CHEERS Small Groups**

Children’s Worship meets this morning for ages 3-6. Children are dismissed to go downstairs (accompanied by a parent) during the offering.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pastor Tom DeVries**, formerly from Middleville Christian Reformed Church will be leading us in God’s Word this morning. Pastor Ridder is taking a vacation Sunday. Pastor Tom has been with us several times and we look forward to the message our Lord has laid on his heart for us at Harvest Community.

**Children’s worship** for ages 3-6 meets this morning. Please accompany your child(ren) downstairs during the offering.

**Second Offering** this morning is for World Renew, the denominations arm of service and relief throughout the world.

**Adult Sunday School WILL** be meeting this morning as Pastor Tom has agreed to stay and facilitate the class.

**Christmas Choir** is forming, with the first rehearsal today at 4:00. Please sign up on the back table so Rachel knows how many folders to prepare. The choir will be rehearsing every Sunday at 4:00 between now and the Christmas Eve service. We are always in need of singers! Don’t be shy!

**CHEERS** Small Groups meet this evening in various homes.

**From Dust to Glory Bible Study** meets this evening at 6:00. Come and join us in this wonderful overview of God’s plan and work on behalf of His people.

**Outreach Purpose Group** meets tomorrow evening at 6:30.

**The Wednesday Coffee Break Bible Study** will meet at 9:00 this week. We will be looking at another lesson the Apostle Peter learned when Jesus washed the disciple’s feet from John, chapter 13. Women, join us!

## **Lakewood Community Council Christmas Basket Program.**

Two gifts for boys, age 10 are still needed and one gift for a boy age 15 (\$10-\$12 each)—see the sign up sheet on the back table. Wrapped and tagged gifts are due here at Harvest this Tuesday, December 3.

**Advanced Notice:** The congregational meeting for the purpose of adopting the 2020 proposed budget is scheduled for Sunday, December 15, following the morning service. The 2020 proposed budget was placed in your mailboxes this past Sunday.

**The December Church calendar** is in your mailboxes this morning.

## **Church Family**

- Audrey Mason underwent successful knee replacement surgery this past Monday. Be in prayer for continuing recovery and strength during her rehabilitation.
- Kay Beach also had surgery this past week to correct issues with her kidneys. Please keep her in your prayers as she recuperates at home.
- A baby basket for any gifts you would like to give to new baby girl, Grace Renee, born to Jared and Teresa McConnon is near the church mailboxes.
- Congratulations to Randy and Jamie Rabideau on the birth of Levi Albin this past Monday.

## **Advent Announcements**

- ◇ We will hold our annual Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service on December 24, 7:00 pm.
- ◇ There will be no Sunday School classes on the Sundays of December 22 and 29.

**Today is World AIDS Day** - World Renew walks with those living with HIV and AIDS through Community Health programs, AIDS prevention, testing, and improving access to healthcare. Today, you can give the hope Christ and help save lives through your church’s offering. Thank you for sharing Christ’s love, breaking down stigmas, and changing lives. For more information on World Renew’s Community Health programs, go to: [worldrenew.net/communityhealth](http://worldrenew.net/communityhealth)

*“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.”* I 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 6:00 pm—CHEERS Small Groups
Monday	11:00 am—Sunday School classes 6:30 pm—Outreach Purpose Group
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Worship Team 9:00 am—Coffee Break/Little Lambs 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

## **From the Deacons: Offerings Received**

November 24: General Fund \$ 2,670.00  
Benevolent Fund \$50.00

## ASSIGNMENTS

### Nursery

Today: Marilyn DeJong, Mary Flohr, Hannah Kastanek  
Dec. 8: Lisa Nurenberg, Sherri Van’t Land, Jeremiah Flohr

### Greeters

Today: Bob and Cindi Green  
Dec. 8: Terri Cappon and Joyce Tuitman

### Prayer Family this week

Keep in your prayers this week: Jim Reser family

### Prayer Ministry

Today: Joel Pepper                      Dec. 8: Cindi Green

### Children’s Worship

Today: Hannah Pennington, Derrica Desgranges, Mycah Ridder  
Dec. 8: Karilynn Ridder, Jessica Mason, Ainsley Reser

### Coffee Host/Hostess:

Today: Fritz and Bonnie Frost    Dec. 8: Harlene Westendorp  
\*Sign up sheet to provide snacks is on the back table