

## 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

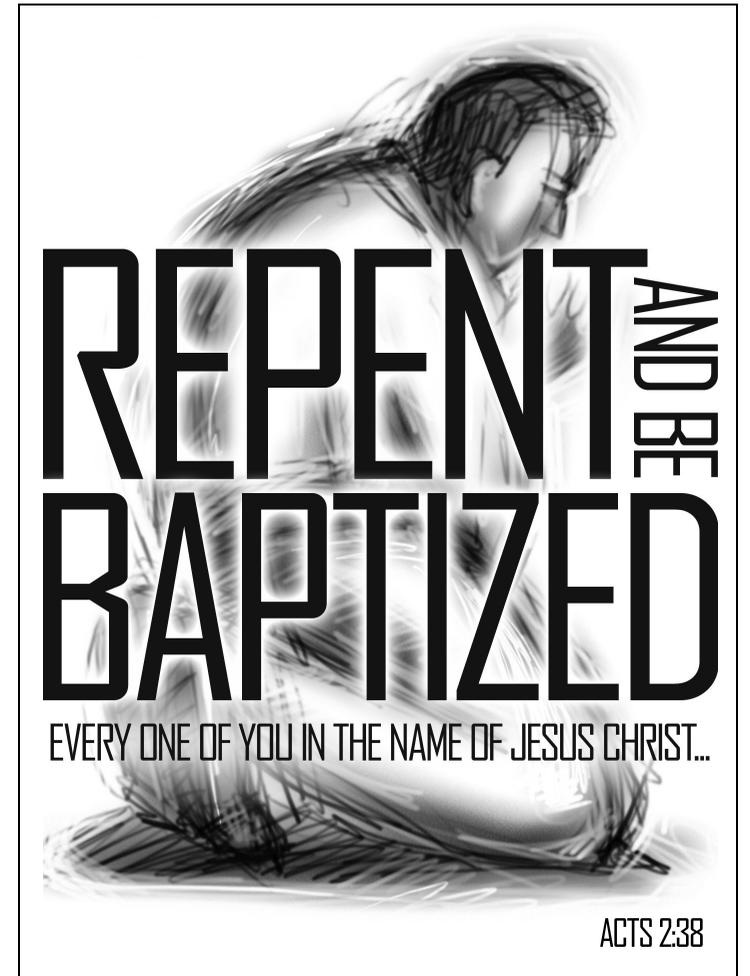
\*CHEERS (Caring, Hope, Encouragement, Enlightenment, Respect, Support)

### 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

January 19, 2020

*We are happy you are here!*

*“After me will come one more powerful than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.”*

John—Mark 1:7

## Morning Worship

**Message: Forerunner of the King**

**Scripture:** Mark 1:1-8

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

**Tonight: Dust to Glory Study 6:00**

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

As we jump into Mark’s gospel this morning, the author’s intent on connecting with the people of Rome becomes apparent. Also of note is John’s insistence that repentance paves the way for the entrance of Jesus into one’s life. Is repentance a lost subject in Christian churches out here in the west? Have we replaced the life blood of Christianity with the kool-aid of ‘feel good’?

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper** is before us this morning. All are invited to participate who:

- Humble themselves in repentance before God, considering their own sin.
- Trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, believing their sins are forgiven wholly by grace for the sake of our Lord’s sacrifice on the cross.
- Resolve to live in faith and obedience with his neighbor.

Children who profess a faith in Jesus as their Savior are also welcomed.

Since 1984, the third Sunday of January has been recognized

by many in this country as ‘Sanctity of Life’ Sunday. We join millions this morning in recognizing that human life is sacred because it has as its source the creator God.

**This morning’s second offering** will be for Alpha Family Center, a prolife ministry geared to help families dealing with crisis pregnancies, now with a location in downtown Lake Odessa.

**From Dust to Glory**, a Bible overview study, will meet tonight at 6:00 pm.

**Coffee Break and Little Lambs** meets this Wednesday at 9:00 am. We will be looking Lesson 11, Learning to Change: Acts 9 and 10. All women are invited to join us. Little Lambs and nursery are available for young children.

**Organic Outreach for Ordinary People** is a video/discussion course formed to help us shape a personal approach to passing on the good news of the Gospel of Jesus in natural ways. Every follower of Jesus has a sincere desire to share God’s love with others. We want to tell friends and family about who Jesus is, what He means to us, and all He has done for us. But where do we start? This is not a system or a program. It’s a collection of biblical practices that you can incorporate into your own life. You can begin right where God has placed you. You can share the love and message of Jesus in a manner that fits exactly how God has wired you. **Come to a meeting at church this Thursday, January 23, 6:30 for more information and opportunity to give input as to how often to meet, etc. Pizza will be served. There is a sign up sheet on the back table for those even slightly interested.**

**2019 Offerings**—Giving Reports for documented offerings that you have given in 2019 are in your mailboxes this morning.

**Sheila Walsh—Praying Women Live.** Ladies, please join us for a live stream of Sheila Walsh who will be teaching on PRAYING WOMEN on Wednesday, February 5 @ 6:45 pm here at Harvest Community Church. Sheila will be bringing us truths from God’s Word in this live simulcast. Please feel free to invite family and friends.

**The Outreach team** is planning a visit to Thornapple Manor in Hastings for Saturday, February 8 at 2:00 pm. We will be making valentine cookies here at Harvest on Friday, February 7 from 6-7:30 pm to take along for the residents to decorate for Valentine’s Day. This will be a fun family time—either for the cookie making or the visit to the Manor (or both), so please mark your calendars and plan to join us! There are sign up sheets on the back table.

**In the event of severe weather** during this winter season, please tune in to WOOD TV-8 or TV-6 (Lansing) for information about church closing and cancellation of weekly meetings.

*“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 6:00 pm—Dust to Glory Study CHEERS Small Groups
Monday	7:00 pm—Worship Team
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break/Little Lambs 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting
Thursday	6:30 pm—Organic Outreach for Ordinary People

## From the Deacons: Offerings Received

January 5: General Fund \$3,578.10

Benevolent Fund \$262.00

Sunday School offering for Samaritan’s Purse \$50.10

## ASSIGNMENTS

### Nursery

Today: Mark Nurenberg, Marilyn DeJong, Gabe Flohr

January 26: Joann Gerke, Harlene Westendorp, Hannah Kastanek

### Greeters

Today and January 26: Joel and Gail Pepper

### Prayer Family this week

Keep in your prayers this week: Grant Russell family

### Prayer Ministry

Today: Gail Pepper

January 26: Joel Pepper

### Children’s Worship

Today: Val Livingston, Jessica Kastanek, Jeremiah Flohr

January 26: Mark and Lisa Nurenberg, Peighton Reser

### Coffee Host/Hostess:

Today: Harlene Westendorp

January 26: Noah Garn

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