

## 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**

**R. Oosterhouse/B. Green—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 Ken Oosterhouse—2021

Jason Flohr—2022

Ryan Oosterhouse—2023

Deacons Richard Duits—2021

Joe Leazier—2022

Bob Green—2023

Those who  
**humble  
themselves**  
will be  
**exalted.**

Luke 18:14, NIV



*Harvest Community  
Church*

*A Christian Reformed Ministry*

*620 Sixth Avenue*

*Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849*

# Welcome to Harvest Church

February 21, 2021

*It's a blessing to gather together today!*

*"...all of you live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing."*

I Peter 3:8-9

## Morning Worship

**Message: Lessons in Humility**

**Scripture:** Mark 9:30-41

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**Children's Worship meets this morning. Children age 4-6 are dismissed to go downstairs right after the morning worship time**

**Tonight—5:00 pm Dust to Glory Study**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**This morning** we continue our journey with Jesus as recorded in Mark's gospel. Jesus has transitioned from teaching crowds to private sessions with His disciples, preparing them for the days that He will not be with them physically. He gives them lessons about what is needed for disciples of His then and now. The first lesson had to do with faith. From a lesson on faith, he moves on to a lesson on humility. Humility is a tricky thing, because just when you think you have achieved it, you lose it. But it is a vital trait of a disciple of Christ. It is not a coincidence that Jesus gives this lesson with the reality of His own death and suffering as a backdrop.

**Special Offering** this morning is for Barry County Christian School, an institution of learning several members of the Harvest family are involved in.

**Children's Worship.** Children, ages 4 thru 6 can be brought downstairs after the opening worship, to the room in the far northeast corner of the building, right by the old basement entrance.

**Sunday School classes** for ages PK thru High School begins this morning at 11:00. Parents look for the signs on the doors downstairs for where your child(ren) will be meeting. There will be no pre-classroom gathering in the big room as there has been in the past.

This year's teachers include Anita Duits (pk-k), Mary Flohr (3rd thru 5th), Tina Leazier (6th thru 8th), and Cindi Green (HS). Substitutes include Steve Werdon and Mycah Ridder. If anyone else would be willing to be put on the substitute list, contact Sunday School Superintendent Ken Oosterhouse

**From Dust to Glory** meets this evening at 5:00. This is a study that takes us through the entire Bible in 56 lessons. Tonight, we will be looking at the sacrificial system as God gave it to the Jews and see how the whole thing foreshadowed the work of Christ on the cross. Anyone can join us as each lesson comes to us independent from the previous ones.

**Classis Thornapple Valley** is in session this Tuesday, 6:00 at Lakeside Christian Reformed Church of Ada. Your delegates are Pastor Ben, elder Ryan Oosterhouse, and deacon Bob Green.

**Coffee Break Women's Bible Study** meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. That great 'heroes of the faith' chapter, Hebrews 1-11 will be the center of our discussion this week. All women are invited to join us. Precautions are taken to protect those who attend.

**Organic Outreach for Ordinary People** will be meeting this Thursday at 6:30. For those involved, please read chapter 4 in the book: 'The One-Degree Rule'.

**Bad Weather Advisory Info.** If church services were to be cancelled due to weather, the announcement will be found on Channel 8 out of Grand Rapids and Channel 6 out of Lansing, as soon as the decision is made.

**COVID Reminder:** Please wear a mask inside the building. You may remove it while you are seated, but have it on while walking around. Also, please keep in mind the horizontal distancing that has been recommended.

**From Faith Formation Ministries.** At-Home Faith Formation Tip—The Practice of Justice and Mercy: Wendell Berry wrote, "Rats and roaches live by competition under the laws of supply and demand; it is the privilege of human beings to live under the laws of justice and mercy." Which laws in your community promote justice, mercy, and human flourishing? Which do not? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [cena.org/FaithFormation/Practices](http://cena.org/FaithFormation/Practices).)

**GROUNDWORD:** Father Forgive them—Studying Jesus' words form the cross is a valuable Lenten tradition for reflection on His ultimate sacrifice. Why was Jesus' first word about forgiveness? Who was He forgiving? Join our Groundwork discussion on Luke 23:32-38 to learn about the practice of forgiveness and why it relates to our salvation. Listen at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com).

Please pray for \_\_\_\_\_

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-Place in offering plate-

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service 11:00 am—Sunday School for all ages 5:00 pm—Dust to Glory Study
Tuesday	6:00 pm—Classis at Lakeside CRC
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break
Thursday	6:30 pm—Organic Outreach

**From the Deacons:** Offerings received February 14

**General Fund** \$ 3,030.00

**Benevolent Fund** \$751.00

## ASSIGNMENTS

**Thank you to all our volunteers who care for the children, and help with other ministries during the worship service today!**

**Children's Worship** meets this morning. Children ages 4-6 are dismissed to go downstairs following the worship time.

**Today:** Kelly Duits

**February 28:** Anita Duits

**March 7:** Felicia Vanderkooi

**Nursery Today:** Joann Gerke, Jessica Kastanek

**February 28:** Harlene Westendorp, Peighton Reser

**March 7:** Joyce Mearns, Ainsley Reser

**March 14:** Marshann Ludema, Jeremiah Flohr

**Coffee Time**—please feel free to bring your own coffee

## Prayer Ministry

Today: Sandy Stoel February 28: Gail Pepper

## Prayer Family:

Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.

**This week:** Joe and Tina Leazier