

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

In humility
regard others
as better
than yourselves.

PHILIPPIANS 2:3, NRSV

*Harvest Community
Church*

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

February 28, 2021

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter into it."
Mark 10:14-15

Morning Worship

Message: Lessons in Humility (2)

Scripture: Mark 9:33-40

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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 Hebrews Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we continue our walk with Jesus following the gospel of Mark. One of the hardest lessons to learn and keep straight for the disciples of Jesus then and now, is that of humility. Pride rears its ugly head in the most obvious and the most subtle ways. That, plus the moment we think we have learned the lesson of humbleness, we lose it. In the passage before us today we find both an obvious and subtle rising of pride's ugliness, with the antidote to both given by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Special Offering next Sunday is for the Capital Improvement Fund of Harvest Church, money used to take care of major building improvement and maintenance. One such project was the blowing out of the duct work of the church building, which was done a couple weeks ago.

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 adult meets this morning at 11:00. Classrooms are marked downstairs. Adults meet in the auditorium.

Hebrews Bible Study meets tonight at 5:00. Please read and reflect on Hebrews 13:17-25 as we complete our look at this impres-

sive book tonight. Also, come with your ideas to what book of the Bible you would like to study next.

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. Our study this week is from John 16:16-28. All women are always welcome to join us.

Thank you! to all who donated food, blankets and money to help the people of Appalachia through Appalachia Reach Out in Kentucky. A few folks from Harvest delivered the goods on Friday and stayed on for a few days to help with construction and other tasks.

Thank You Card—"Thank you for your generous donation (Valentines) for our residents! Your gifts brought so many smiles! And our staff loved the cookies!" Thornapple Manor

Alpha Family Center of Lowell and Lake Odessa will be hosting a Ladies Luncheon on March 18 at 11:30 am. At First Baptist Church of Lowell. All women are invited to attend. Register by March 12 at www.afclowell.org/ladies-luncheon or call 616-987-9533. The church is located at 2275 W. Main St., Lowell. Cost \$15

Winsome Women. Registration is now open for the Spring Winsome Women Conference which will be held at Bay Harbor Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor, Michigan. Three separate but identical content sessions will be held from May 18-21. Speakers will be Shaunti Feldhaun, Carol Kent and Sheila Walsh with music provided by Selah. Check out the details at <https://wswretreats.org/events/627/spring-wsw-retreat>.

Church address. If you are sending anything to the church please do not use the P.O. box number as we no longer pick up mail at the post office. Our address is 620 Sixth Avenue, Lake Odessa.

Join our Team! Volunteers In Service has 2 part-time positions open. 1) Accounting 2)Referral Intake Coordinator. For more information and a job description visit the VIS website at visgr.org. For questions email Bernita at btuinenga@visgr.org

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.

At-Home Faith Formation Tip - The Practice of Justice and Mercy: Cornel West said, "Justice is what love looks like in public." How might you share the love of Jesus by practicing justice in public this week in your workplace, your neighborhood, or your city? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit crena.org/FaithFormation/Practices.)

Please pray for _____

-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—Hebrews Study
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break 7:00 pm—Meet for Prayer here at church

From the Deacons: Offerings received February 21

General Fund \$2,355.00

Barry County Christian School \$297.00

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: Anita Duits

March 7: Felicia Vanderkooi

March 14: Karilynn Ridder

March 21: Joann Gerke

Nursery Today: Harlene Westendorp, Peighton Reser

March 7: Joyce Mearns, Ainsley Reser

March 14: Marshann Ludema, Jeremiah Flohr

March 21: Jaimie Rabideau, Peighton Reser

Coffee Time—please feel free to bring your own coffee

Prayer Ministry

Today: Gail Pepper

March 7: Joel Pepper

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Lyle and Val Livingston