

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

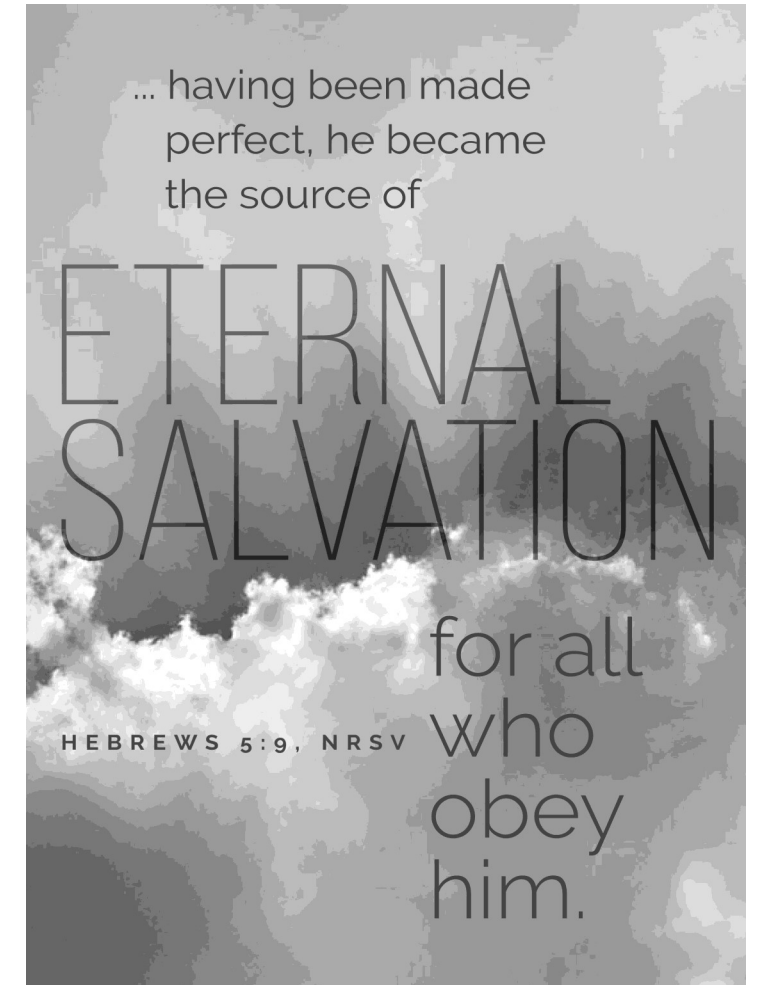
Jason Flohr—2022

Ryan Oosterhouse—2023

Deacons Richard Duits—2021

Joe Leazier—2022

Bob Green—2023



Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

March 7, 2021

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Because I love your commands more than gold, more than pure gold, and because I consider all your precepts right, I hate every wrong path."
Psalm 119:127-128

Morning Worship

Message: "Where the Worm Does Not Die and the Fire is Not Quenched"

Scripture: Mark 9:42-48

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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

As we continue our walk with Jesus through the gospel of Mark, this morning we come to some difficult sayings, which when put together, emphasize the importance of living rightly before our Holy Lord God who takes sin very seriously. An eternal existence awaits each one of us. One is an eternity of unimaginable misery, and the other one of unimaginable joy. Jesus spoke more about the one than the other. Would it surprise us to know He said more about hell than heaven? One possible reason for that is that if HE wasn't the one to do so, we wouldn't believe it.

Special Offering this morning is for the Capital Improvement Fund of Harvest Church. These are monies used for larger purchases or more intensive maintenance jobs. For example, we recently had the duct work of the building cleaned out. Thank you for your ongoing faithful contributions to the work of God's kingdom!

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

From Dust to Glory overview Bible Study meets tonight at 5:00.

This evening we will consider "Joshua and the Conquest of Canaan." One of the issues we will discuss is God's commanding Israel to wipe the Canaanites off the face of the earth, a command that has troubled Christians since the church has been created.

Ecclesiastes Bible Study. Beginning next Sunday evening, we will be having a study on the book of Ecclesiastes every 2nd and 4th Sunday evenings here at church at 5:00. During a time in our country's history when despair seems to rule the day and people are searching for meaning and the purpose of life, Ecclesiastes speaks powerful truth and gives wonderful direction.

Outreach Purpose Group meets tomorrow evening at 6:30. Group members, remember our assignment to bring summer children ministry ideas to the meeting.

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. We will take a look at our final study in the lessons on Faith - 2 Timothy 4-18. Next week we will begin a new study entitled *Depending on Jesus: Discovering the Sufficiency of Christ*. All women are invited to join us.

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>.

Thank you card. "To my Harvest Family, Thanks so much for the prayers, cards, calls and visits after my surgery. Once again we could clearly see God's presence, His protection, and His ongoing healing. The goodness and faithfulness of God is amazing! Love to you all, Cindi Green"

FYI: The Synod of the Christian Reformed Church will NOT be meeting this summer due to the many restrictions that are anticipated still being in place this June, among them being no crossing the Canadian border into the United States.

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.

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—Dust to Glory Study
Monday	6:30 pm—Outreach Purpose Group
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Women's Bible Study
	7:00 pm—Meet for Prayer here at church

From the Deacons: Offering received February 28

General Fund \$6,331.00

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: Felicia Vanderkooi
March 14: Karilynn Ridder
March 21: Joann Gerke
March 28: Rachel Ridder

Nursery **Today:** Joyce Mearns, Ainsley Reser
March 14: Marshann Ludema, Jeremiah Flohr
March 21: Jaimie Rabideau, Peighton Reser
March 28: Marilyn DeJong, Bob DeJong

Coffee Time—please feel free to bring your own coffee

Prayer Ministry

Today: Joel Pepper March 14: Cindi Green

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Joe Ludema