

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—Barnett 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

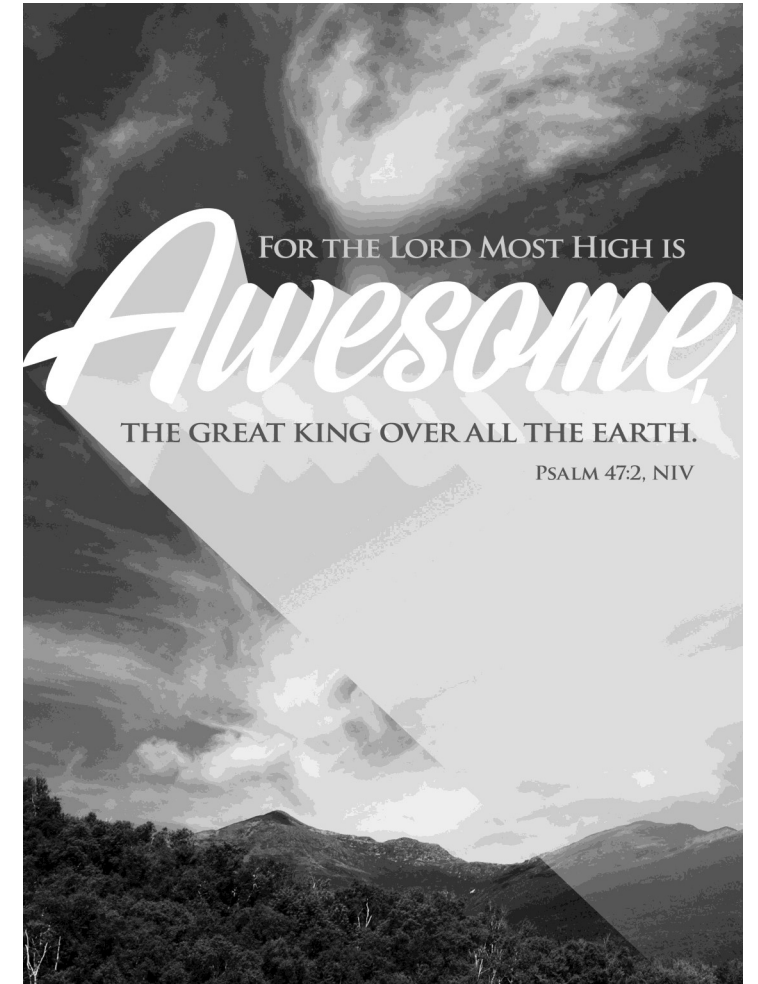
Moms in Touch Prayer

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

Sunday, April 25, 2021

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Who are you O man, to talk back to God? Shall what is formed say to him who formed it: 'Why did you make me like this? Does not the potter have the right to make out of the same lump of clay some pottery for noble purposes and some for common use?'"
Psalm 103:19

Morning Worship

Message: The Sovereignty of God (2)

Scripture: Psalm 103:19 and various other scripture

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Tonight at 5:00—Ecclesiastes Study

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we are taking a second look at the topic of God's Sovereignty. Last Sunday we looked at the establishment and the exercise of His sovereignty, this morning we will look at the extent of His sovereignty. When the psalmist declares "His kingdom rules over all" (Psalm 103:19), what is the force of the word 'all'? Is there is a single rogue molecule, a single independent atom, is God still sovereign?

From the Deacons: Most of you know about the partnership Harvest Community Church has formed with Appalachia Reach Out (ARO). We are looking to further express that partnership by purchasing our own trailer to be used to transport items down to Martin County on a monthly basis. Next Sunday's special offering will go towards that purchase, as well as any other monies you would be willing to donate toward the project.

Special Offering next week: towards the purchase of a trailer (see above).

Children's Worship today. 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.

Sunday Night Ecclesiastes Study meets this evening at 5:00. Please read Ecclesiastes 3 in preparation. Trivia question: Who wrote a song using the first part of this chapter and who performed it?

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study meets this week Wednesday at 9:00. Our discussion will center on Acts 16:16-40 and how Jesus is sufficient in the midst of injustice. All women are always welcome to join us.

Grief Session this Thursday evening at 7:00. Gwen Kapcia will be with us again to talk about grieving and ministering to those who grieve. In the session for this Thursday evening, she will speak on Grief 101, experiencing and dealing with the emotions of grief—anger, depression, guilt, etc. Upcoming meetings:

- May 6: Grieving as a Family
- May 13: How to help those who Grieve

Each meeting starts at 7:00. Check out Gwen's website at grief-guide.com for more information about her ministry.

ARO T-shirts. There are ARO (Appalachia Reach Out) shirts available to purchase on the back table for \$20 each. Money goes to the ARO Benevolent Fund to help disadvantaged people in the Inez, Kentucky area. If you don't find the specific shirt you want or the right size, please see Marilyn DeJong. Money can be given to Marilyn or put in her mailbox.

Outreach Purpose Group will be meeting on Monday, May 3rd, at 6:30. Come ready to share your thoughts on life skill sessions and opportunities for the children this summer.

Alpha Family Center of Lowell and Lake Odessa will be holding a LifeRun/Walk 5k on June 6 at 7:30 am at N. Grand River Riverfront Park in Lowell. For more information visit afelowell.org/life-run-walk-5k or call 616-987-9533.

Severe Spring weather information. Please tune in to TV-8 from Grand Rapids or TV-6 from Lansing to hear of any cancellations of church services and other events here at Harvest because of severe spring weather.

From ReFrame Ministries

JOY IN GOD—Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net Where does real joy come from? Joy does not depend on what happens to you. It is about what God is doing inside you. Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for all the new content.

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—Ecclesiastes Study
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm—Meet for prayer here at church
Thursday	7:00 pm—Grief 101—Gwen Kapcia, speaker

From the Deacons—Offering received April 18

General Fund \$1,305.00

Resonate Global Missions \$360.00

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 Vander Kooi
May 2 Joann Gerke
May 9 Karilynn Ridder
May 16 Rachel Ridder

Nursery **Today** Jamie Rabideau, Joann Gerke
May 2 Kelly Duits, Jeremiah Flohr
May 9 Audrey Mason, Jessica Mason
May 16 Joyce Mearns, Ainsley Reser

Coffee Time—please feel free to bring your own coffee

Prayer Ministry

Today Cindi Green **May 2** Marshann Ludema

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Ken and Nancy Oosterhouse family