

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

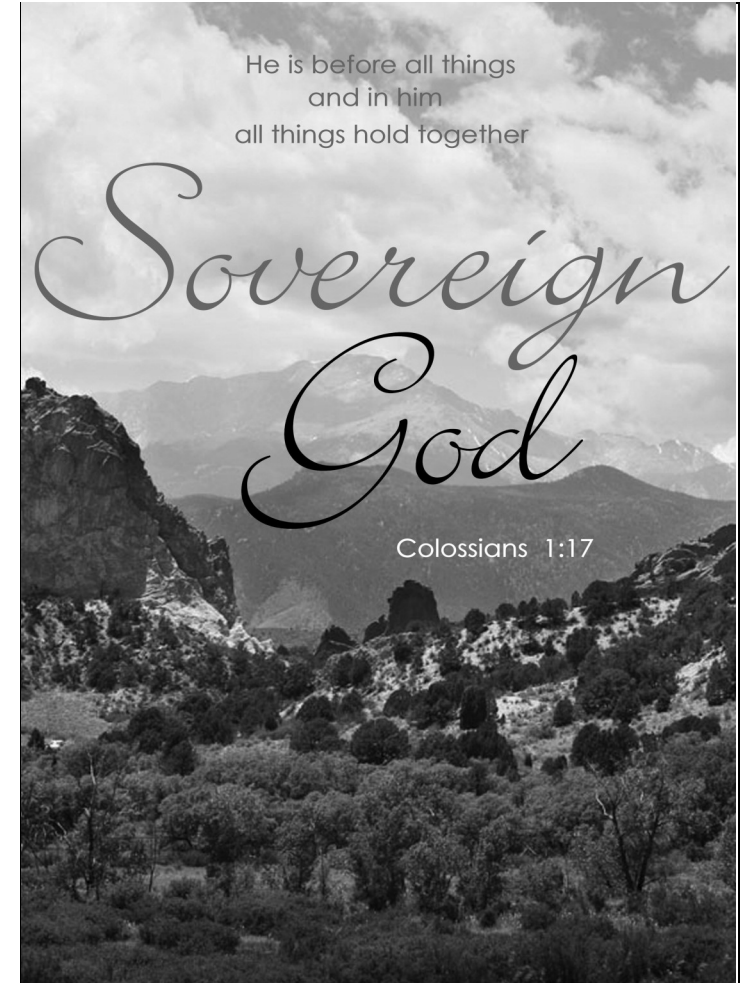
Moms in Touch Prayer

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, May 2, 2021

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men put him to death by nailing him to a cross." The Apostle Peter in Acts 2:22-23

Morning Worship

Message: When Intentions Collide

Scripture: Genesis 50:15-21

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Tonight at 5:00—Dust to Glory 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 tackle the question of if God is Sovereign (and he is!), are people actually free and can they be held accountable for the sin that they commit? As it turns out, the answer isn't as difficult as folks have made it out to be. The story of Joseph and the treachery of his brothers against him provides the answer in the midst of unfolding drama.

Special Offering this morning is going towards the purchase of a trailer for the main purpose of bringing items down to the thrift store in Martin County, Kentucky and the ministry of Appalachia Reach Out (ARO). Several members of Harvest Church have already been down there, and several trailer loads have left here over the last couple of months. The goal is to bring a trailer full of goods down there at least every other month.

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.

From Dust to Glory Bible Study will meet this evening at 5:00. This is a study giving an overview of major themes in biblical chronological order. Tonight's study will be on the arising monarchy in the life of the Jewish nation.

Outreach Purpose Group will be meeting this Monday evening at 6:30. Please come with your ideas for summer activities/life skills for a summer program for the kids.

Coffee Break Women's Bible Study meets this week Wednesday at 9:00. Our lesson on Restoration Within Ruin is taken from Mark 5:1-20. All women are always welcome to join us.

National Day of Prayer is this Thursday, May 6th. The Congregational Church of Lake Odessa is inviting the community to come together for a time of prayer on that day, 12:00, in the church parking lot. There are also prayer guides included with this bulletin for you to use this week as you pray for our nation and other areas.

Grief Seminar number three is scheduled here at Harvest this Thursday evening at 7:00. Gwen will be talking about grief and family dynamics during times of grief.

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 the envelope in her mailbox.

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 afclowell.org/life-run-walk-5k or call 616-987-9533. Our Harvest Church office has registration and pledge forms for your use.

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.

ReFrame Ministries. GROUNDWORK: LEAN INTO GOD'S GRACE - When the challenges feel insurmountable, the loneliness and temptation to give up creep in. Join Groundwork as we study what Ezra and Nehemiah do in Nehemiah 8-9 and Nehemiah 13:22,31 and discover how leaning into God's grace and love is the antidote we need to carry us through. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm—Meet for prayer here at church
Thursday	7:00 pm—Grieving as a Family—Gwen Kapcia, speaker

From the Deacons—Offering received April 25

General Fund \$3,396.00

Church Trailer Purchase \$2,325.00

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 Joann Gerke
May 9 Karilynn Ridder
May 16 Rachel Ridder
May 23 Chelsea Booth Zook

Nursery **Today** Kelly Duits, Jeremiah Flohr
May 9 Audrey Mason, Jessica Mason
May 16 Joyce Mearns, Ainsley Reser
May 23 Marilyn and Bob DeJong

Coffee Time—please feel free to bring your own coffee

Prayer Ministry

Today Marshann Ludema **May 9** Sandy Stoel

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Ryan and Sarah Oosterhouse family