

## 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

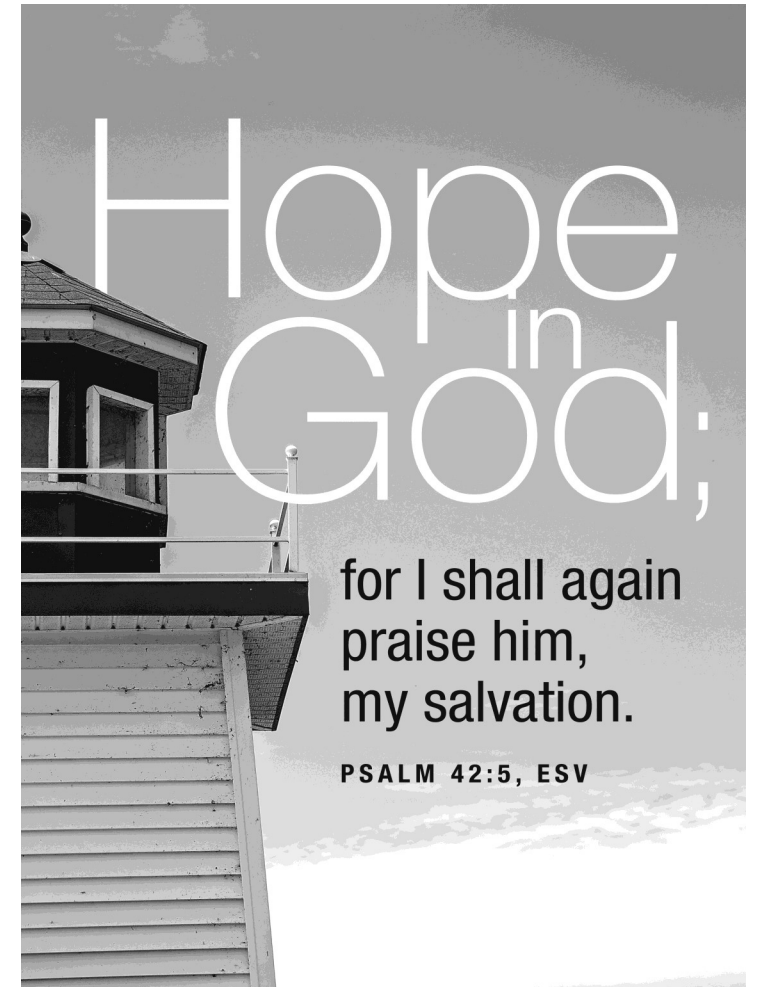
**Moms in Touch Prayer**

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, August 8, 2021

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

*"This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God." John 3:19-21*

## Morning Worship

**Message: The Impossible Made Possible**

**Scripture:** Mark 10: 23-31

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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.

*Please join us for coffee/fellowship time following the service this morning.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**As we continue** our walk with Jesus through the gospel of Mark, we listen in on a conversation between Jesus and his disciples following the sad departure of the rich and young synagogue ruler. The ruler left sad because Jesus insisted that he get rid of the one idol he was holding onto before he followed the Lord. With master precision, the Great Physician placed his finger on the disease. The man chose the temporary wealth of this life over the eternal riches of heaven. In the conversation with the disciples, Jesus seems to indicate that the conclusion of the previous meeting was a foregone conclusion. Will the rich person choose his own wealth every time over following Jesus? If not, what is preventing him from doing so?

**Ecclesiastes Study** will meet this evening at 5:00. Please read and think about chapter 6 in preparation for our time together.

**Second Offering** next week is for Starfish ministries in Haiti. Dr. Edmondson from Saranac (whom we have had here several times) heads that ministry, making several trips there annually.

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be celebrated together next Sunday as part of our worship gathering.

**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.

**Church Family.** Teresa Renkema underwent shoulder surgery this past Tuesday. If you'd like to send her a word of encouragement, her address is 846 Beech St., Lake Odessa.

**The Deacons are planning** for carpet replacement for both upstairs and downstairs here at church in the near future. Over the next several weeks, if you would like to help with the considerable cost for this project, please label your check or offering for Capital Improvement: carpet. Thank you for your faithful giving!

**Neighborhood Parties!** Get to know your neighbors better this summer by providing a neighborhood gathering complete with fun and food. The Outreach Purpose Group will help with the cost (up to \$200) and in whatever other way we can. Be the one who loves your neighbor as you love yourself!

**Outreach Purpose Group** meeting that was scheduled for tomorrow night has been postponed. Watch the bulletin for further information.

**Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, August 29 following the morning worship time. At this meeting we will be taking a vote of affirmation for the following men nominated for their respective offices: Bob DeJong for elder and Richard Duits for deacon.

**Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference**, located in Norton Shores, will be featuring The King's Brass in concert this Saturday, August 14. Doors open at 6:45 for the public. All concerts are free. If you wish to take part in the Italian Buffet before the concert (beginning at 5:00) you can purchase tickets at [VacationWithPurpose.org/Summerconcert](http://VacationWithPurpose.org/Summerconcert) and you will be given first seating at the concert.

**Groundwork: God's Perfect Peace.** How do we find the strength to say "it is well with our souls," even when our circumstances leave us feeling uncertain or anxious? Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Isaiah 26:3-4, Jeremiah 6:13-14, and Numbers 6:22-26 to better understand the truth of God's perfect peace and discover how we can experience it for ourselves, even when our lives aren't very peaceful. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://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—Adult Sunday School
	5:00 pm— Ecclesiastes Study
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

**From the Deacons—Offering received on August 1**

**General Fund** \$ 3,660.00

**Capital Improvement** \$ 270.00

## ASSIGNMENTS

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

**Greeters** Today and August 15 Joyce Mearns

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

Today Rachel Ridder

August 15 Karilynn Ridder

August 22 Chelsea Zook

**Nursery** Today Mary Flohr, Peighton Reser

August 15 Jamie Rabideau, Jessica Kastanek

August 22 Harlene Westendorp, Jeremiah Flohr

**Coffee Time** Today Noah Garn

August 15 Tamara Reser

**Prayer Ministry**

Today Sandy Stoel August 22 Gail Pepper

**Prayer Family:**

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

**This week:** Jim and Tamara Reser