

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 email—info@harvestcrc.com
Pastor's email—ben@harvestcrc.com
Church website: www.harvestcrc.com

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

*“All
authority
in heaven
and on earth
has been given
to me.”*
Matthew 28:18

Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

Sunday, September 12, 2021

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"That power is like the working of His mighty strength, which he exerted when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come." Ephesians 1:19-21

Morning Worship

Message: "Who Made You the Boss?"

Scripture: Mark 11: 27-33

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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 journey with Christ Jesus through the book of Mark, we come across an incident which gives us the single greatest reason the religious leaders wanted Jesus dead: He challenged their authority and therefore interfered in their lives in the worst way they could imagine. Jesus comes on to the earth not only to seek and save that which is lost, but also to "stick his nose" where we're not always sure it belongs. After all, who likes to be told what to do? What does Jesus mean when he tells the disciples "all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me" and what are the implications for us today?

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.

Special offering next Sunday will be for Women at Risk (WAR) International, a ministry which seeks to help women out of trafficking lifestyles and into a life of dignity and purpose.

Ecclesiastes Bible Study will meet this evening at 5:00. Please read chapter 8 in preparation and think about the church's and the Christian's relationship and responsibility to the government. If the

government should mandate certain actions (like mask wearing and/or vaccinations), what should our response be?

Installment of our new elder Bob DeJong will take place during the service this morning.

Sunday School Teachers meeting will take place this morning in the Library downstairs following the worship service.

Sunday School classes for preschool thru High School will begin on Sunday, September 26th.

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

Consistory meets this Wednesday at 7:00. Joe Leazier will be serving as host.

The Women's Coffee Break season is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, September 22 at 9:00 am.

Our church directory is being updated. If you have not done so, please take a look at your information in the directory and email any corrections or changes to marshann@harvestcrc.com or leave in the church office. If you would like to change your current picture, please provide a digital one or contact Evie David, our directory photographer.

ARO (Appalachia Reach Out) is in need of plastic grocery bags. There is a box in the downstairs entryway to collect your donations.

It's Operation Christmas Child shoebox time again! There are donation slips on the side wall of the sanctuary. Please consider taking one or two and shopping for the items that will be used to fill shoeboxes for kids around the world who would otherwise not be receiving a Christmas gift this year. Our goal this year is 125 boxes filled. See today's bulletin insert for more information.

Do you have rubber stamps at home that you no longer use? These are the stamps that are used in making greeting cards and other craft items. Starlight Ministries in Grand Rapids can use them in their ministry to grieving children. Bring your donations to church and Micah Ridder will take them to Starlight. Contact Micah with any questions you may have.

Lakewood Community Women's Annual Conference will be held on Saturday, September 18 from 9 am to 3 pm at the Lakewood United Methodist Church, 10254 Brown Rd. This year's theme is *Real Faith for Real Life*. Guest Speaker will be Robyn Dykstra. Conference and lunch are free but pre-registration is required. Call the church to register: 269.367.4800

Please pray for _____

-Place in offering plate-

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service
	10:45 am—Sunday School Teachers Meeting in Library
	11:00 am—Adult Sunday School
	5:00 pm—Ecclesiastes Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting
	7:00 pm—Consistory Meeting

From the Deacons—Offering received on September 5

General Fund \$ 4,043.00

Capital Improvement \$340.00

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 September 19 Steve and Pat Werdon

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

Today Joann Gerke

September 19 Audrey Mason

September 26 Kelly Duits

Nursery Today Marilyn and Bob DeJong

September 19 Jenny Reynolds, Peighton Reser

September 26 Harlene Westendorp, Jessica Mason

Coffee Time Today Steve Werdon Sept. 19 Joyce Tuitman

Prayer Ministry

Today Marshann Ludema

September 19 Sandy Stoel

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Aaron Russell, Grant and Norma Russell