

## 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

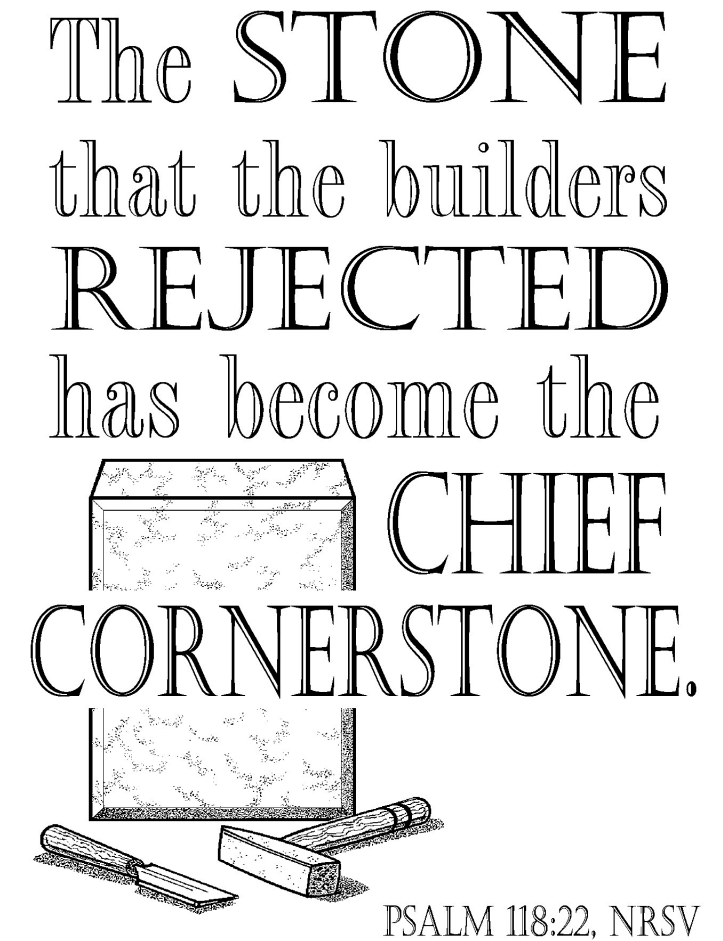
**Moms in Touch Prayer**

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, September 19, 2021

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

*"So this is what the Sovereign Lord says: 'See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who trusts will never be dismayed.'" Isaiah 28:16*

## Morning Worship

**Message: God's Vineyard**

**Scripture:** Mark 12:1-12

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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

**We continue** our walk with Jesus this morning through the gospel of Mark. It's Wednesday, two days before the crucifixion. Jesus reverses roles and goes on the offensive as He speaks to the religious leaders on His terms. He tells a story about a vineyard, an owner, and tenant farmers. In a few verses He sums up the history of God's people in such a way that the religious leaders are left with an increased desire to put Him to death. In the meantime, we find a wonderful revelation about ourselves, some two thousand years later.

**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** today is for Women at Risk (WAR) International. This is a ministry which looks to help women coming out of the sex-trafficking industry to regain a sense of dignity and personal worth.

**Dust to Glory study meets** this evening at 5:00. Tonight's study will focus on the prophesy of Isaiah, including the difference between the so-called major and minor prophets.

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** is before us this morning. All are invited to participate who:

- Humble themselves in repentance before God, considering their own sin.
- Trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, believing their sins are forgiven wholly by grace for the sake of our Lord's sacrifice on the cross.
- Resolve to live in faith and obedience with his neighbor.

Children who profess a faith in Jesus as their Savior are also welcomed.

**Sunday School** for ages PreK through Adult will begin next Sunday. The following folks are teachers:

- Pre-K thru Kindergarten—Anita Duits
- First thru Third grade—Audrey Mason
- Fourth and Fifth grade—Mary Flohr
- Sixth thru Eighth grade—Tina Leazier
- High School—Ryan and Sarah Oosterhouse
- Adults—Ben Ridder

**Women's Coffee Break** begins this Wednesday at 9:00 am. We will be finishing up our study of *Depending on Jesus* with the lesson 9, Empathy Within Faltering from Hebrews 4:14-5:10. All women are invited to attend. We also offer Little Lambs for preschool age children and nursery for up to age 2.

**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@harvesterc.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.

**WinSome Women Retreat** will be held at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts in Bay Harbor, Michigan on October 19-22. Speakers this year will be Sandi Patty, Ruth Graham, Michael Card, and Sarah Schieber. Register at [www.wswretreats.org](http://www.wswretreats.org).

**ReFrame Ministries** Doing My Father's Word- Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). How was the twelve-year-old Jesus like us? We are also God's children, and God has some important plans for each of us. Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://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—Dust to Glory Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Season begins 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

**From the Deacons—Offering received on September 12**

**General Fund** \$ 2,825.00

**Capital Improvement** \$ 50.00

## 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 26 Steve and Pat Werdon

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

**Today** Audrey Mason

**September 26** Kelly Duits

**October 3** Felicia Vander Kooi

**Nursery** Today Jenny Reynolds, Peighton Reser

**September 26** Harlene Westendorp, Jessica Mason

**October 3** Joyce Mearns, Peighton Reser

**Coffee Time** Today Steve Werdon Sept. 19 Joyce Tuitman

**Prayer Ministry**

**Today** Sandy Stoel

**September 26** Gail Pepper

**Prayer Family:**

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

**This week:** Eric and Amanda Stoel