

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
B. DeJong/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 Jason Flohr—2022
Ryan Oosterhouse—2023
Bob DeJong—2024
Deacons Joe Leazier—2022
Bob Green—2023
Richard Duits—2024

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the Lord your God
with all your
HEART
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*Harvest Community
Church*

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

Sunday, October 10, 2021

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the LORD is one, Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength." Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Morning Worship

Message: Loving God

Scripture: Mark 12:28-34

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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 to walk with Jesus through the use of the Gospel of Mark, we hear Jesus give what He declares to be the most important thing about living a Christian life: Loving God with all our heart, and with all our soul, and with all our mind, and with all our strength. So how are we doing with that? What role does loving God play in our daily lives?

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, by the old basement entrance.

Second Offering next Sunday will be for the Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church, monies used to help folks with immediate material needs.

Ecclesiastes Bible Study will meet tonight at 5:00. Please read Ecclesiastes 9:11-10:20 in preparation for our time together.

Sunday School from Pre-K through adults meets this morning. Pre-K through 8th grade will meet in the big room downstairs for a time of singing and offering before going to their individual classes. The high school class will go directly to their classroom, the church library. Adults meet in the auditorium.

Women's Coffee Break meets this Wednesday at 9:00 am. This week's lesson is from Matthew 14:22-36, Comfort in Times of Fear. Women, join us! We also offer Little Lambs and Nursery for preschool aged children. If you would like a lesson emailed to you, contact marshann@harvestcrc.com.

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. This year the Outreach Group has set a goal of 125 shoeboxes filled. There are donation requests on the side wall of the sanctuary where you can choose something you would like to donate. Or you can pack your own box—there are empty shoeboxes (with labels and instructions inside) under the mailboxes in the sanctuary or on the table in the downstairs hallway. These filled boxes will be sent all over the world to children who would not otherwise receive a Christmas gift this year. Thank you for your generous participation in this ministry!

Please make checks for your packed Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes out to **Harvest Community Church** rather than the address on the information included with the shoeboxes. We will be sending one check to cover the cost of postage for all the boxes from Harvest.

New Prayer Chain. If you would like to be included please sign the sheet on the table near the mailboxes even if you are on the current chain. As requests come up you will be contacted via email or telephone depending on the urgency of the request. Please provide both email and telephone number if available.

New Address: Kay Beach , 10028 W. St. Joe Highway, Vermontville, MI 49096

Broken crayons needed. They will be melted together and molded into new crayons for packing with the Christmas Child shoeboxes. Please leave your donations in the church office. Thank you.

Marilyn DeJong will be setting up Women at Risk Christmas ornament trees in various businesses for this Christmas season. If you have a business or know of a business that would like to participate in this effort to benefit those who are being rescued from human trafficking, please contact her at 616-292-3671 or loghome1981@gmail.com

Faith Formation Ministries. At-home Faith Practice Reflection Tip - Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Gratitude: Read Luke 17:11-19 and ponder or discuss the following questions. How have you experienced healing in your life, whether physical, mental, emotional, or spiritual? How did you, or how might you, express your gratitude to God? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)

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 and Little Lambs 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offering received on October 3

General Fund \$ 3,107.00

Hermon House Children's Home in Myanmar \$632.00

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 October 17 Royce and Joyce Wilcox

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

Today Karilynn Ridder

October 17 Chelsea Zook

October 24 Anita Duits

Nursery Today Mary Flohr, Jessica Kastanek

October 17 Harlene Westendorp, Kelly Duits

October 24 Marshann Ludema, Jeremiah Flohr

Coffee Time Today Tamara Reser

October 17 Joann Gerke

Prayer Ministry

Today Cindi Green **October 17** Marshann Ludema

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Joyce Tuitman