

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

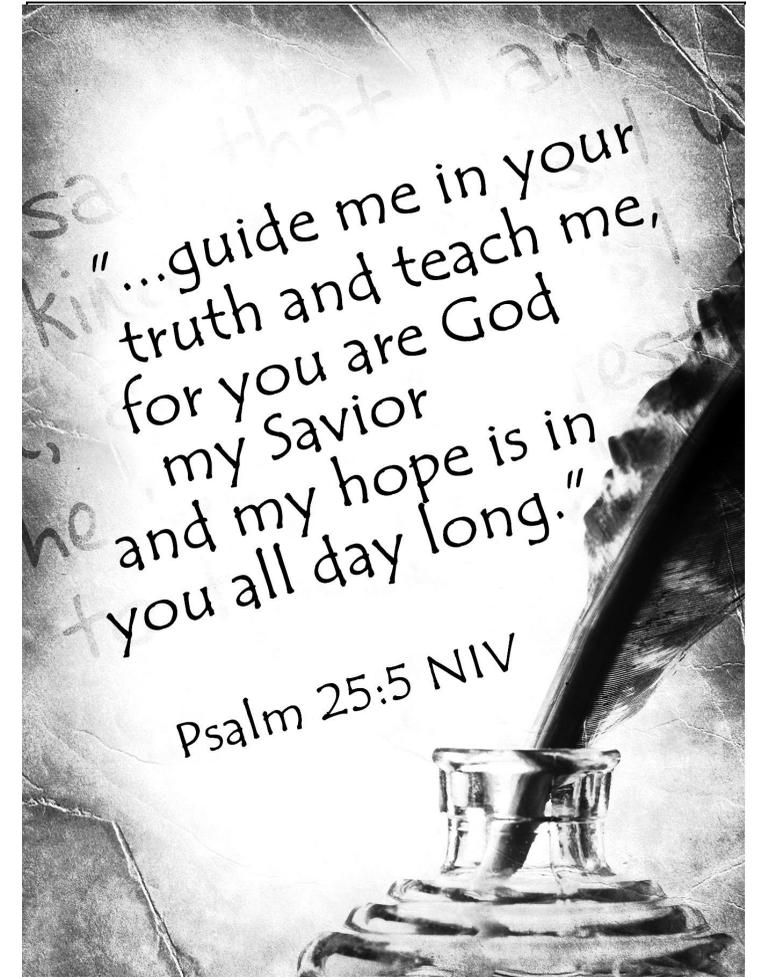
Moms in Touch Prayer

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



Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

Sunday, April 24, 2022

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into Him who is the Head, that is, Christ. From Him, the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."
Ephesians 4:11-16

Morning Worship

Message: Time to Grow Up

Scripture: Acts 19:8-11; 20:25-32; Ephesians 4:15-16

Pages 786 and 828 in the blue Bibles

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

This morning we look at the pastoral advice to a specific congregation as given by the Apostle Paul. He had been in Ephesus for three years, and in his departure speech he warns the elders to keep watch as shepherds over the flock that has been purchased by the blood of Christ. What he warned them must have come to fruition, as he writes a letter to them wherein, he bemoans the fact that they are like infants, "being tossed back and forth by the waves and blown here and there by every wind of teaching... (Ephesians 4:14). The evangelical church seems to be in a similar throes these days. What can the church do to escape the spirit of the age? That is what we will be talking about today.

Second offering next Sunday will be for the Capital Improvement Fund of Harvest Church, funds used to update and maintain our facility.

Sunday School meets today at 11:00 am for all ages.

Exodus Bible Study will meet this evening at 5:00. Please ready chapter 3 in preparation for the study.

Lies Girls Believe and the Truth that Sets Them Free meets

tomorrow evening at 6:30 pm.

Women's Coffee Break meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. Please read Isaiah 43:1-44:5 for our discussion. All women are always welcome to join us. Little Lambs/Nursery is available for children of preschool age.

Harvest Softball Team. A Softball Team is forming now for playing with other churches again this season. Men and women, young and old are welcome to play. Contact Seth Oosterhouse – seth@m43autobody.com with any questions you may have.

Church Family: This was missed last week...we extend our Christian sympathy to the Richard Duits family in the loss of Richard's dad, E. Wayne Duits on April 8. May God's continued comfort enfold the Duits family in the days to come.

Baptisms will be witnessed next Sunday morning, May 1st, during the worship service, as Jared and Theresa McConnon will present their infant son Grant Christopher, and Randy and Jamie Rabideau will present their infant son Logan Jay to receive the sign and seal of the covenant of grace from the Triune God.

Harvest Book Readers Club has chosen our next book—*House Rules* by Jodi Picoult for our next discussion on Thursday, May 19 at 6:30 pm. Anyone is welcome to read the book and come for the discussion.

Put these dates on your calendar!

—**Grand Rapids Whitecaps baseball game.** Plans are being made to take a Harvest group to an evening game in Grand Rapids on July 15. There is a sign up sheet on the back table. Tickets are \$13.50 each. Fellowship committee needs to know by **June 1** so that tickets can be ordered.

—**Saturday, June 11 (note date correction).** We have been invited to a guy only fishing/grilling event at Great Lakes Gravel pit, by Pier Church of Grand Rapids. Some of you may remember the same event a few years ago. There will also be a speaker to present us with an encouraging word from our Lord. Who is invited? The male species of all ages!

—**Sunday, June 26.** We will be having a hamburger/hotdog grilled lunch together following the worship service, here at church. Bring a dish to share!

ARO needs (Appalachia Reach Out): Towels, blankets, linens, furniture, tested and working appliances, doors and windows, cabinets, puzzles, jewelry, carpet and rugs. **Please don't send at this time:** clothes, desks, tables, end tables, TV's, books, Christmas items (sleds, skis), suitcases, VHS tapes, cassettes or records, pianos, organs, sprinklers, race or train tracks. Drop off your donations at the church garage or church office.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service 11:00 am—Sunday School for all ages 5:00 pm—Exodus Study
Monday	6:30 pm—Lies Girls Believe
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Women's Bible Study and Little Lambs 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offering received on April 17

General Fund \$1,520.00

Resonate Global \$687.00

ASSIGNMENTS

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

Greeters Today Darl and Diane Redder
May 1 Jason and Mary Flohr

Children's Worship Children ages 4-6 are dismissed to go downstairs following the worship time.
Today Audrey Mason
May 1 Kelly Duits
May 8 Felicia Vanderkooi

Nursery Today Joyce Mearns, Peighton Reser
May 1 Mary Flohr, Will Kastanek
May 8 Kelly Duits, Joe Kastanek

Coffee Time Today Steve Werdon
May 1 Joyce Tuitman
May 8 Teresa Renkema

Prayer Ministry
Today Gail Pepper May 1 Joel Pepper

Prayer Family:
Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.
This week: Noah Garn