

## 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)



...loving the LORD your God,  
obeying him, and holding  
fast to him; for that  
means life to you and  
length of days...

Deuteronomy 30:20, NRSV

### 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, May 22, 2022

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

*“Jesus replied, ‘If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.’”* John 14:23-24

## Morning Worship

**Message: The Essential Nature of Obedience**

**Scripture:** Matthew 28:16-20

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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

**Today we continue** our look at what we know to be the Great Commission. It is the mandate of Christ that His church go to the ends of the earth making disciples for Him. How is the church to go about that? What is involved? Well, our Lord lays the first two elements out there for us: Baptizing and teaching to obey all that he has commanded. Having looked at the baptizing part for a couple of weeks, this morning we move to the element of obedience, and being taught to obey what our Lord has commanded us. So what's the big deal about obedience?

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be received this morning from the hands and heart of our host, the Lord Jesus. 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 Classes:** With the exception of the adult class, today is the final meeting of the Sunday Classes until next September. A big thank you to all the teachers who served so faithfully in this ministry over the last season!

**Exodus Bible Study** will meet this evening at 5:00. Please study Exodus chapter 4 in preparation for our time together.

**Baccalaureate for Lakewood High School** takes place today at 6:00 pm in the Lakewood High School auditorium. You are encouraged to attend in support of our area students even if you don't have a senior graduating. Anita Duits, Baccalaureate Coordinator, is requesting donations of finger snacks and people to help serve after the service. Contact her today if you can help.

**Church Family:** Congratulations to Jessica Mason and Reed Hoffman who were united in marriage this past Friday! May they grow in their union one with each other, and together in their union with their heavenly Father.

**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.

**Fishing Outing for Men and Boys:** Saturday, June 11 at Great Lakes Gravel. We are joining a group of men and boys from The Pier, a Christian Reformed church plant in Grand Rapids. The schedule is as follows: 7:30 am, devotions to start the day together, followed by fishing until about 11:30. Fishing will be followed by an inspirational message directed especially to the male gender, which will be followed by a grilled burger lunch prepared by grill-master Phil Burke. **There is a sign up sheet on the back table to help us determine amount of food. Included is space to provide t-shirt sizes as each participant will receive a complimentary t-shirt to commemorate the day.**

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Communion Worship Service
	11:00 am—Sunday School for all ages
	5:00 pm—Exodus Study
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

**From the Deacons—Offering received on May 15**

**General Fund** \$2,780.00

**Starlight Ministries** \$723.00

## 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 May 29 Joyce Mearns

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

**Today** Anita Duits

**May 29** Rachel Ridder

**Nursery** Today Harlene Westendorp, Jonathan Kastanek

**May 29** Lisa Nurenberg, Erika Leazier

**June 5** Jenny Reynolds, Peighton Reser

**Coffee Time** Today Tamara Reser

**May 29** Joann Gerke

**June 5** Wayne Moak

**Prayer Ministry**

**Today** Karilynn Ridder **June 5** Sandy Stoel

**Prayer Family:**

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

**This week:** Mike and Karie Hilley