

## 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 July 3, 2022

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

*"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age." Titus 2:11-12*

## Morning Worship

**Message: A Foot in Both Kingdoms**

**Scripture:** Esther 2:1-18

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Children's Worship **will not meet** during the summer months

*Please join us for coffee/fellowship time following the service this morning.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today we continue** our look at the story of Esther. In our passage we are introduced to her for the first time, and she doesn't come off as the lovely young maiden we might have envisioned her to be. The good news of the gospel is that the grace of God brings us from where we were to where He wants us to be. Along that journey are moments where we must cooperate with God's Spirit. Our passage is the beginning of that particular story line that will take us several more chapters to unfold.

**Adult Sunday School** meets today at 11:00 in the auditorium.

**Second offering** Schedule for July

- This morning: Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church
- July 17 Hang (Joshua) Jiang—Ministering to Chinese refugees in South Korea

**There will be NO** evening Bible Study today.

**Harvest's softball team** plays a double header this Tuesday at Hastings Baptist Church at 6:30 pm. If you have any questions, contact Seth Oosterhouse 269-729-6016.

**Harvest Book Readers** next book for discussion is *American Dirt* by Jeannine Cummins. Discussion will be on Thursday, July 21 at 6:30.

**Work Day** is being scheduled for Saturday, August 6. Talk to Richard Duits for items currently on the work list.

**Advanced notice—Praise in the Park.** Join us as several individuals and groups from various churches lead in a time of praise and worship at the Lake Odessa Park on July 16 from 6-8 pm.

**FYI:** The church parking lot (front and back) is scheduled for resurfacing and patching on July 7.

**Maranatha Summer Concert Series** will feature Point of Grace for their free concert this Saturday, July 9 at Maranatha Conference Center (4759 Lake Harbor Rd., Norton Shores, MI). Concert begins at 7:00 pm. Dinner is available before the concert for a charge, which includes early concert seating. For dinner tickets and more information visit [vacationwithpurpose.org](http://vacationwithpurpose.org).

**World Renew. Together we can help bring clean water!** - Over 2 billion people around the world don't have access to safe drinking water. Instead of walking a few feet to turn on a faucet, many people in rural villages spend entire days walking to get water, leaving little time for important work like farming and preparing meals. For more information or to download resources, go to [worldrenew.net/cleanwater](http://worldrenew.net/cleanwater). Harvest has scheduled a special offering later this year for World Renew.

**At-Home Faith Practice Reflection Tip**—Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Remembering: Read Deuteronomy 6:1-9 and ponder or discuss the following questions. If you come from a family that loves God, how did the adults in your family pass along their love of God to the children? If you don't come from a family where faith formation was important, how has that impacted your own faith formation? How might your church family help remind each other of all God has done? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit [bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject](http://bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject))

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service 5:00 pm—Dust to Glory Study
Tuesday	6:30 pm—Harvest ball games at Hastings Baptist Church
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Prayer meeting

**From the Deacons—Offerings received on June 26**

**General Fund** \$ 3,804.00

## 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 July 10 Royce and Joyce Wilcox

**Children's Worship** Children's Worship will not meet during the summer months.

**Nursery** Today Julie Kastanek, Jeremiah Flohr  
July 10 Kelly Duits, Erika Leazier  
July 17 Lisa Nurenberg, Gabe Flohr

**Coffee Time** Today Joyce Tuitman  
July 10 Teresa Renkema  
July 17 Noah Garn

**Prayer Ministry**  
Today July 3 Karilynn Ridder July 10 Sandy Stael

**Prayer Family:**  
Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.  
**This week:** Craig and Karen Keefer