

## 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

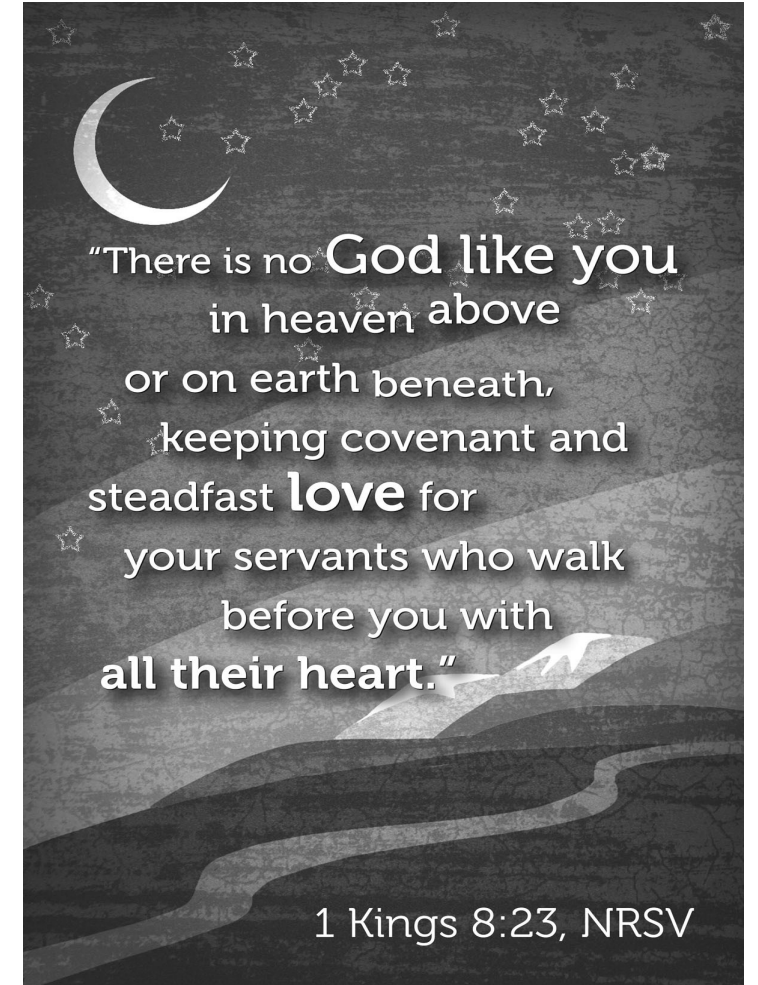
**Prayer Meeting**

Wednesdays—7:00 pm

\*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, September 25, 2022

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

*"But God demonstrated His love for us in this: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."* Romans 5:8

## Morning Worship

**Message: "How Have You Loved Us?"**

**Scripture:** Malachi 1:1-5

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Children's Worship will meet beginning next Sunday, October 2 for ages 3-6.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**As we began** our study in Malachi last Sunday, we marveled at God's declaration of love for His own. This week we are confronted by Israel's (and our?) questioning of that love. Even if we never say it out loud, many of us have heard "God loves you!" With more than a little doubt because of life's circumstances at the time. As God gives Israel plenty of reason to believe his love for them in our passage this morning, so too does He give us many, if not more!

**Next Sunday's Second Offering** will be for Hermon House orphanage in Myanmar.

**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

**Adult Sunday School** will not meet today.

**Shared Dinner/Information/Kick-Off Event.** Following the service today we will be sharing in a meal and fellowship and

some information about ministry opportunities. Even if you didn't bring any food to share, please join us!

**Sunday School** for ages preschool through adult begins next Sunday following the service. This year's Sunday School teachers include Anita Duits, Mary Flohr, Tina Leazier, Steve Werdon, Ryan Oosterhouse, and Ben Ridder. Keep them in your prayers please throughout the Sunday School year.

**Children's Worship** will begin next Sunday during the sermon time for children ages 3-6.

**Coffee Break meets** this Wednesday at 9:00 am. Our lesson this week is from Isaiah 54,55. All women are invited to join us at any time. Little Lambs and nursery are offered for pre-school age children.

### **From Kay Beach**

"Hi Everyone, I will be putting a new metal Roof on my house on Saturday October 1. I would be blessed if anyone could come and help either on the roof or the ground. A lunch will be provided. I am so blessed to have such a wonderful Church family. My address is. 10028 W St Joe Hwy, Vermontville, MI 49096 Thank you so much, Love Kay Beach"

**Operation Christmas Child** Shoebox collection is beginning! There are boxes available beneath the church mailboxes for you to take and begin filling with items. See the 'shoebox wall' for items requested for donations if you would rather do that (take the donation paper with you).

**From the Consistory: FOUR MONTH CHALLENGE!** From September thru December, be purposeful in getting to know someone of Harvest Church that you don't know well or at all! Invite them over for coffee or a meal; meet somewhere for coffee or a meal. Get out of your comfort zone to meet someone that God has placed in your orbit by virtue of being a part of the same local body of Christ. The goal is at least one such contact per month from now through December.

**The Lakewood Community Women's Group** is again hosting their **free** conference for women on Saturday, October 1 from 9 am to 1 pm at Outreach Christian Church, 7831 N. Jordan Lake Rd., Lake Odessa. The theme for this year's conference is 'Celebrate Friendship'. Speaker will be Jennie Afman Dimkoff. Pre-register by calling 517-281-3860. See Cindi Green with any questions you may have.

**Alpha Care Center** of Lake Odessa and Lowell is hosting their Annual Fundraising Banquet, a night of Wonder on October 10 at Hughe House at 7766 Velte Rd. Lake Odessa. RSVP by Thursday, September 29 at [alphacarecenter.org/get-involved/events-campaigns](http://alphacarecenter.org/get-involved/events-campaigns). Suggested donation is \$30.

**Prayer Help.** Are you or someone you know in need of extra focused prayer? There are prayer cards on the greeter table. Please fill them in and leave in the offering basket or in the Prayer Room bowl. The needs will be prayed for on Wednesday during the evening prayer gathering.

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service 11:30 am—Fellowship Dinner/Information Sharing 5:00 pm—
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

**From the Deacons—Offerings received on September 18**

**General Fund** \$ 1,583.00  
**W.A.R. International** \$578.00

## 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 2 Jason and Mary Flohr

**Children's Worship** Children's Worship will begin meeting next Sunday for the new season.

**Nursery** Today Lisa Nurenberg, Joe Kastanek  
**October 2** Audrey Mason, Peighton Reser  
**October 9** Joyce Mearns, Jessica Kastanek

**Coffee Time** Today Tamara Reser  
**October 2** Wayne Moak  
**October 9** Joann Gerke

### **Prayer Ministry**

**Today** Karilynn Ridder **October 2** 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 Lynette Nagelkirk family