

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/S. Oosterhouse—A-I

B. DeJong/R. Duits—J-O

R. Oosterhouse/B. Green—P-Z

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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 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 Ryan Oosterhouse—2023

Bob DeJong—2024

Jason Flohr—2025

Deacons Bob Green—2023

Richard Duits—2024

Seth Oosterhouse—2025



Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

February 19, 2023

We are happy you are here!

“Remember your word to your servant, for you have given me hope. My comfort in my suffering is this: Your promise preserves my life.”
Psalm 119:49-50

Morning Worship

Message: Comfort One Another (1)

Scripture: II Corinthians 1:3-7

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Children’s Worship meets this morning. Children ages 3-6 are dismissed to go downstairs during the offering.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As we continue our One Another series this morning, we turn to the subject of comforting one another. It turns out comfort has less to do with comfortableness and more to do with strength; less to do with swinging hammocks in a summer breeze and more to do with courage to continue the battle.

The Second Offering this morning is for Barry County Christian School.

Dust to Glory study meets this evening at 5:00. Join us as we watch and discuss R.C. Sproul’s presentation on the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper 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

Pastor’s Class continues this morning following the service, meeting in the prayer room at 11:00 am. Elder Bob DeJong will be leading the adult Sunday School class in the auditorium during Pastor’s absence.

Coffee Break Bible Study meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. Our study and discussion will be on James 3:1-12-*Controlling the Tongue*. We also offer nursery/Little Lambs for preschool age children. All women are always welcome.

Moms in Prayer meets on Wednesday at 11:30 am. This is a time when moms and grandmas join together to pray for our children/grandchildren and their schools.

Consistory meets Wednesday evening at 7:00. Bob Green will host the meeting.

A Pizza/Game Night for everyone is planned for Friday, February 24 from 6-9 pm. Bring any games you enjoy playing with others. Please sign the sheet on the back table so we’ll know how many pizzas to order.

A Fund Raising Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner for Mark and Lisa Nurenberg is scheduled for Saturday, March 11, from 4:00-8:00, at the Central United Methodist Church fellowship hall. There will also be a prize raffle and Take Out will be available. Mark your calendars.

Appalachia Reach Out needs your used plastic bags, the ones that you get when you shop for groceries, etc. Also on the wish list: Exterior and interior doors, kitchen cabinets, couches, living room chairs, dressers, working appliances—stoves, fridges, washers and dryers. Contact Marilyn DeJong: loghome1981@gmail.com or 616-292-3671 with any questions that you have.

WinSome Women Spring Retreat will hold two identical sessions on May 4 & 5 and May 5 & 6 at the Great Lakes Center for the Arts. Musical guest will be Aaron Shust; Speakers are Karen Abercrombie, Karen Ehman, and Carol Weaver. The theme for the retreat is “Victory in Jesus”. To register go to www.wswretreats.org.

Cards for Others. On the table by the coat room there is a box of greeting cards for several different occasions. Please take a card to send to someone you would like to encourage, in church or otherwise. Church directory with addresses and stamps are also found there. Let’s use this as a way of responding to Christ’s command to love one another!

Groundwork: Learning from the Seven Churches of Revelation - Every believer must discern what it looks like to live out their Christian faith in the midst of a secular culture. Join Groundwork as Dr. Jeff Weima joins us to study Revelation 2-3 and discuss the sermons Jesus told John to write down for seven of the early Christian churches and what they might have to say to the Church also yet today. Listen now at Groundworkonline.com.

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 are prayed for on Wednesday during evening prayer gathering.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Communion Worship Service 11:00 am—Sunday School for all ages 5:00 pm—Dust to Glory Study
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Bible Study 11:30 am—Moms in Prayer 7:00 pm- Consistory Meeting 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offerings received on February 12
General Fund \$ 4,213.00

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 February 26 Bob and Cindi Green

Children’s Worship Today Karilynn Ridder
February 26 Felicia Vanderkooi

Nursery Today Julie Kastanek, Jeremiah Flohr
February 26 Joann Gerke, Gabe Flohr
March 5 Lisa Nurenberg, Mark Nurenberg

Coffee Time Today Cindi Green
February 26 Harlene Westendorp
March 5 Steve Werdon

Prayer Ministry
Today Gail Pepper February 26 Joel Pepper

Prayer Family:
Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.
This week: Ken and Sandy Stoel