

## 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—11:00 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

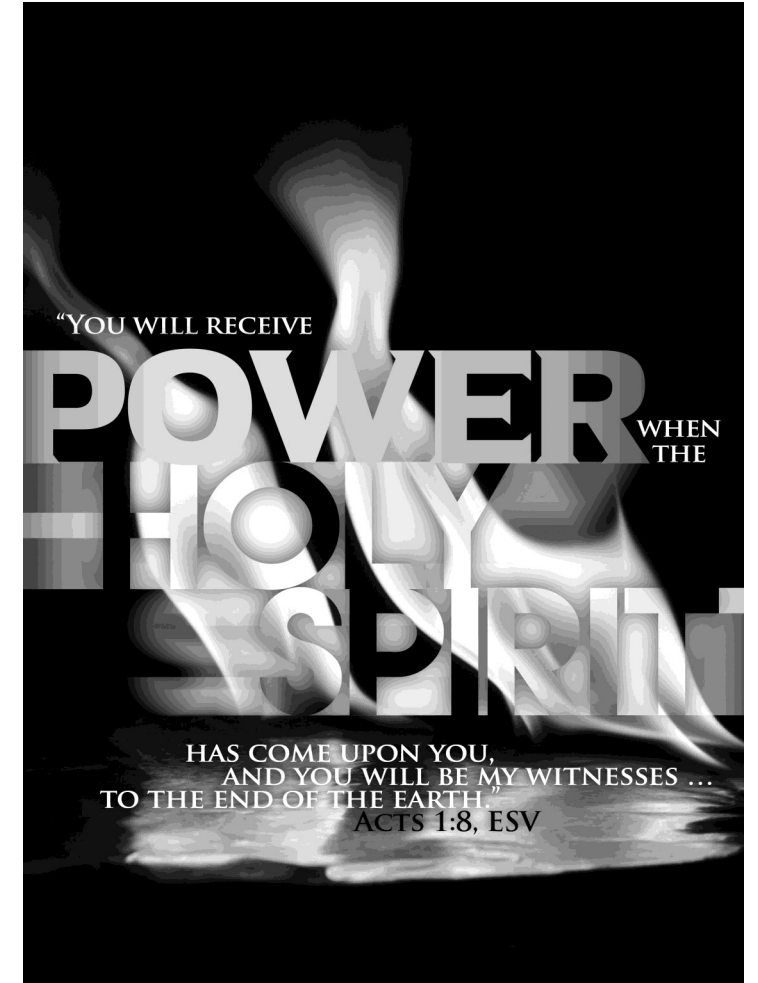
Bob DeJong—2024

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

Sunday, May 14, 2023

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

*"Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." By this he meant the Holy Spirit, whom those who believe in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified." John 7:38-39*

## Morning Worship

**Message: The Day of Pentecost**

**Scripture:** Acts 2:1-13

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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.*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**As we move on** in the book of Acts, we come to a major event in the history of God's redemption: The pouring out of His Holy Spirit. Prior to this time the Holy Spirit would make the occasional appearance on earth to empower an individual for certain tasks; now the Holy Spirit comes to earth to dwell with and in God's people permanently. Hear the apostle Paul's word with wonder and awe: "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you received from God? (I Corinthians 6:19).

**Second Offering next Sunday:** Starlight Ministries, a group ministering to those who are suffering grief from the death of a loved one. This morning, Mycah Ridder, who works for Starlight will give us more information as to where our offering will be going.

**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 welcomed.

**The Sunday School classes** from Preschool thru High School will meet for the final time for the summer next Sunday. The adult Sunday School class will continue through the summer months.

**No Exodus Study** this evening due to today being Mother's Day.

**Women's Coffee Break** meets on Wednesday at 9:00 am. This week (our last one for the season) we'll be taking a close look at Priscilla from Acts 18. All women are welcome to join us! We also offer Little Lambs for children below school age.

**QPR Suicide Prevention Training.** QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) is an international organization which provides training for suicide prevention. The training will be offered here at Harvest this Wednesday, May 17 at 7:00 pm through Starlight Ministries. Instructors will be Mycah Ridder and Stephanie Hogan. Training points for the session include recognizing the warning signs of suicide, knowing how to offer hope and how to get help for those threatening suicide. There is a sign up sheet on the back table for this training.

**There will be no** prayer meeting this week because of the QPR Training.

**Harvest Book Readers** will meet this Thursday, May 18 at 6:30 pm in the church library. We'll discuss the book "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah.

**Professions of Faith.** Having appeared before consistory to profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, Jessica Kastanek and Jeremiah Flohr will stand up next Sunday to publicly profess their faith before our God and the body of Christ.

**Lakewood High School** will hold a Baccalaureate service on Sunday, May 21 at 6:00 pm in the high school auditorium. Come and support the LHS seniors in this service designed to show them support and blessings from the area churches. We encourage you to attend even if you don't have a senior of your own. There will be no evening Bible study here that evening.

**Needed— Snacks and help** setting up for the fellowship time following the Baccalaureate service at Lakewood High School. Please sign up on the sheet on the table by the mailboxes. Contact Anita Duits with any questions you have.

**Water Baptism:** On Sunday, August 20, Harvest Church will be holding its annual church picnic at the home of the Barnett's. As part of our time together, we will also be baptizing those who desire to be baptized. Please contact Pastor Ridder at least a month prior if that is your desire.

**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
Wednesday	9:00 am— Coffee Break Bible Study
	7:00 pm— QPR Suicide Prevention Training
Thursday	6:30 pm—Harvest Book Readers

**From the Deacons—Offering received on May 7**

**General Fund** \$4,120.00  
**Capital Improvement** \$476.00

## 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 21 Joyce Mearns

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

**Today** Val Livingston  
**May 21** Felicia Vanderkooi  
**May 28** Audrey Mason

**Nursery** Today Harlene Westendorp, Erika Leazier  
**May 21** Audrey Mason, Jeremiah Flohr  
**May 28** Joyce Mearns, Gabe Flohr

**Coffee Time** Today Joyce Tuitman  
**May 21** Teresa Renkema  
**May 28** Noah Garn

**Prayer Ministry**  
**Today** Gail Pepper **May 21** Joel Pepper

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