

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—Baum thru T. Hilley
K. Oosterhouse/R. Duits—Jackson thru Reynolds
D. Beach/S. Oosterhouse—B. Ridder thru T. Zook

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Pastor's email—ben@harvestcrc.com
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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

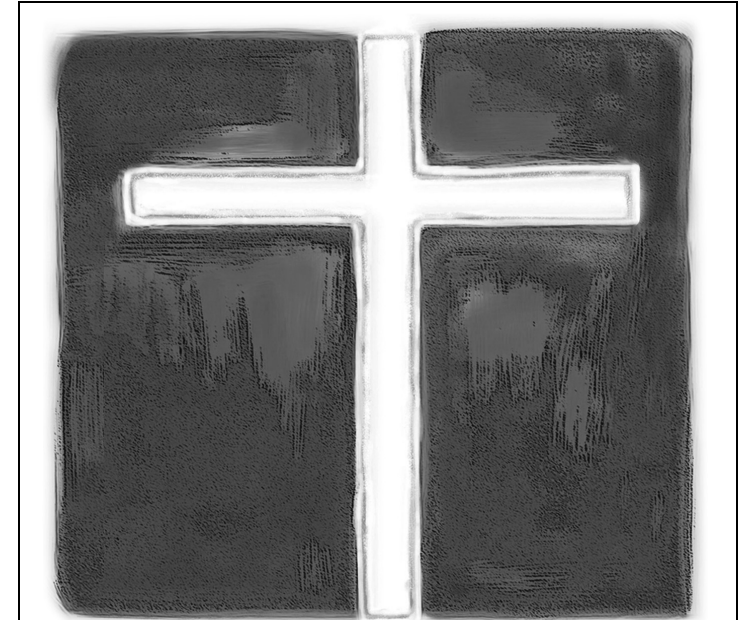
*CHEERS (Caring, Hope, Encouragement, Enlightenment, Respect, Support)

Consistory-

Pastor Ben Ridder

Elders David Beach—2020
Ken Oosterhouse—2021
Jason Flohr—2022

Deacons Seth Oosterhouse—2020
Richard Duits—2021
Joe Leazier—2022



Christ Jesus came
into the world to
save sinners...

1 Timothy 1:15, NRSV

*Harvest Community
Church*

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

December 15, 2019

We are happy you are here!

“And you my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins.”
Luke 1:76-77

Morning Worship

Message: The Song of Zechariah

Scripture: Luke 1:67-80

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Sunday School Classes for all ages—11:00 am

Tonight: 5:00 pm—Dust to Glory Study

CHEERS Small Groups

Children’s Worship meets this morning for ages 3-6. Children are dismissed to go downstairs (accompanied by a parent) during the offering.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we continue in our series on The Songs of Christmas. Having looked at Mary’s Song last Sunday, this morning we turn our attention to the song of Zechariah, the father of John. As a Jewish priest stepped in the knowledge of the Old Testament, his song is a celebration of the coming fulfillment of what has been promised and hoped for the previous 2000 years.

Children’s worship for ages 3-6 meets this morning. Please accompany your child(ren) downstairs during the offering.

Second Offering this morning is for Guiding Light Mission, a ministry geared towards the homeless in the Grand Rapids area. Looking to do more for them than a place to sleep and a meal to eat, Guiding Light has as it’s vision to get them integrated back into society with a renewed sense of dignity.

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.

Christmas Choir Rehearsal is this afternoon at 4:00.

From Dust to Glory Bible Overview course will meet tonight at 6:00. Because of its format, one can jump into this study at any point. Join us as we consider major themes which help us see the Bible as one wonderful story, God’s gift of special revelation.

Coffee Break Community-wide Bible Study for women meets this Wednesday at 9:00 pm. Our discussion will be on Learning to Persevere from Luke 22 and 24.

Church Family

- The baby basket for any gifts you would like to give for Levi Albin, new infant son of Randy and Jamie Rabideau will be out for two more weeks.
- Also, the basket for gifts for new baby girl, Grace Renee, daughter of Jared and Teresa McConnon, will be available for one more week

Thank you note—“Kay and I wanted to thank God and everyone for all the prayers, love, food and support for Kay and I during her sickness and hospitalization in the past 3 months. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful church family. God is an awesome God.”
Love, Dave and Kay Beach

Advent Schedule Items

- ◇ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7:00.
- ◇ No Sunday School classes on December 22 and 29.

Fellowship need—We are looking for an individual or couple to fill in on the regular rotation for making coffee on Sunday mornings for fellowship time. If you are interested, please contact church office 616-374-8697 or email marshann@harvesterc.com for more details.

Advance Notice: Mark your calendars on Thursday, January 23, 6:30 pm for a special gathering. That is all for now. Put a note on your calendars, in your computers, save the evening of Thursday, January 23.



“Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him for he cares for you.” I Peter 5:6,7

Please pray for _____

Date _____ (tear off and place in offering or prayer room bowl.)

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service 11:00 am—Sunday School classes 4:00 pm—Christmas Choir rehearsal 6:00 pm—Dust to Glory Study Cheers Small Groups
Monday	7:00 pm—Worship Team
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break/Little Lambs 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons: Offerings Received

December 8: General Fund \$ 4,325.00

Sunday School offering for shoeboxes \$19.00

ASSIGNMENTS

Nursery

Today: Joann Gerke, Jenny Reynolds, Erika Leazier

Dec. 22: Harlene Westendorp, Bonnie Frost, Anna Zook

Greeters

Today and Dec. 22: Terri Cappon and Joyce Tuitman

Prayer Family this week

Keep in your prayers this week: Pastor Ben Ridder Family

Prayer Ministry

Today: Marshann Ludema

Dec. 22: Karilynn Ridder

Children’s Worship

Today: Val Livingston, Jessica Kastanek, Jeremiah Flohr

Dec. 22: Mark and Lisa Nurenberg, Peighton Reser

Coffee Host/Hostess:

Today: Noah Garn

Dec. 22 Lee and Carol Jackson

*Sign up sheet to provide snacks is on the back table