

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

D. Barnett/J. Leazier—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

Community 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 Bob DeJong—2024

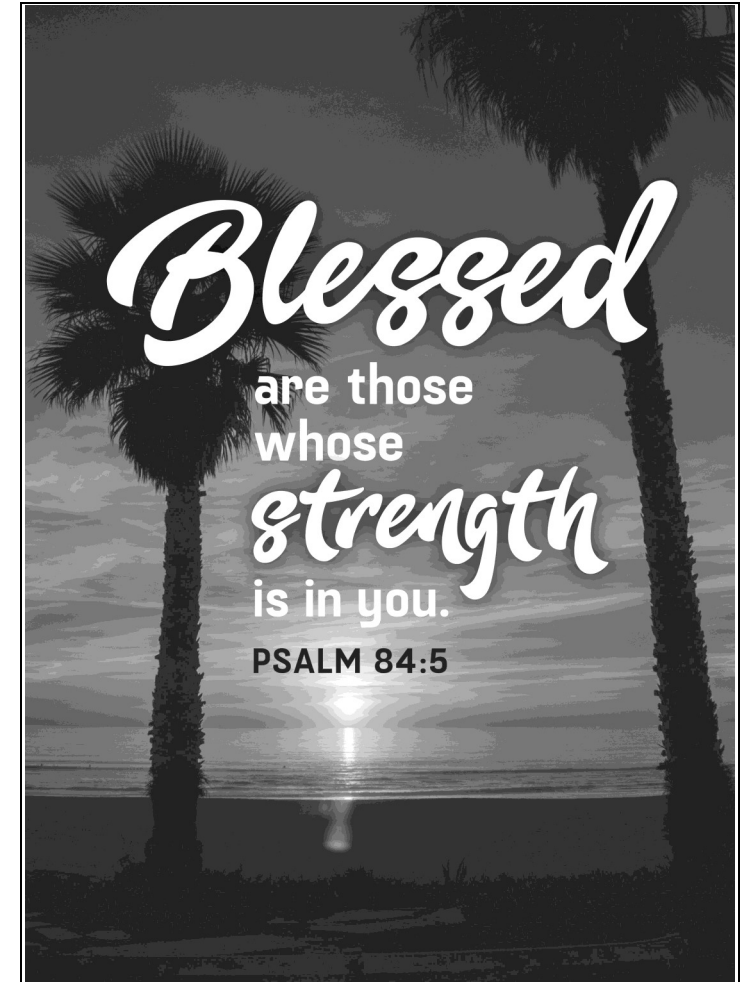
Jason Flohr—2025

Dick Barnett—2026

Deacons Richard Duits—2024

Seth Oosterhouse—2025

Joe Leazier—2026



Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024

It's a blessing to gather together today!

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ." Ephesians 1:3

Morning Worship

Message: Galatians 3:10-14

Scripture: Make a Curse

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Children's Worship meets today. Children ages 3-6 are dismissed to go downstairs during the offering. Parents, please accompany your child to the classroom.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we take a break from our series in the book of Acts to focus on one element of the atoning work of Jesus Christ on the cross. This morning, and then again at the Good Friday Service we will be looking at how Jesus frees us from the curse of God by becoming a curse for us. What does it mean to be under God's curse and how did the work of Jesus free us from that curse and bring upon us instead the blessing of God?

Romans 9-11 Bible Study will meet this evening at 5:00. Please read and consider Romans 10:14-21 in preparation for our time together.

Consistory meets this Wednesday at 7:00. Jason Flohr will be serving as host.

Community Good Friday Service will be held this Friday, 1:00, at Central United Methodist Church. The service is sponsored by the Lakewood Ministerial Association.

Good Friday Communion Service will be held here this Friday at 7:00. As part of our time together, the sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated. 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 with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Children who profess a faith in Jesus as their Savior are also welcomed

Sunday School Classes will not be meeting on Easter Sunday.

In our Coffee Break Women's Bible Study this Wednesday we will be looking at another of the twelve disciples -from Matthew 9:9-13. All women are always welcome to join us.

Moms in Prayer meets on Wednesday at 11:30 am. This meeting is a time of prayer for our area schools, their students and staff, school boards and activities. All moms, grandmas and any interested women are invited.

Colorado Challenge. Harvest's high school youth will be traveling to Woodland Park, Colorado to take part in the 'Colorado Challenge' camp (June 8-16). We still have a few open spots if you or someone you know would be interested in participating in camp or serving as an adult leader. Please see Brent Merritt with questions or to get your name on the list.

Harvest Book Readers have chosen the next book for reading and discussion: *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. Our discussion is scheduled for Thursday, April 18.

Church Lawn Care. We are looking for someone to take comprehensive care of the church and parsonage lawns this season. Duties include at least the following: mowing, edging, fertilizing and weed killing, trimming. Contact Richard Duits with any questions you may have.

Church Family: Aaron Russell has been transferred to Fountain View Assisted Living in Lowell to aid in his recovery from a fall which resulted in some broken bones. Please continue to pray for him, and you can send encouragements to him at: Aaron Russell, 11537 Fulton St. Se, Lowell, MI

Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2024 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit cena.org/survey/<<Church File Number (from Yearbook)>> to answer the survey questions by **March 31**.

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 at Wednesday evening prayer gathering.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Worship Service
	11:00 am— Sunday School for all ages
Wednesday	9:00 am—Coffee Break Bible Study
	11:30 am—Moms in Prayer
	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offerings received on March 17

General Fund \$4,251.00 **Celebration Fellowship** \$ 243.00

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 March 31 Nick and Emily Berens

Children's Worship Children ages 3-6 are dismissed to go downstairs during the offering.

Today Karilynn Ridder

March 31 No Children's Worship

April 7 Jeremiah Flohr, Maggie Moasher

Nursery Today Audrey Mason, Jeremiah Flohr, Maggie Mosher

March 31 Lisa Nurenberg, Erika Leazier

April 7 Mary Flohr, Joshua Flohr

Coffee Time Today Joyce Tuitman

March 31 Harlene Westendorp

April 7 Noah Garn

Prayer Ministry

Today Sandy Stoel

April 7 Karilynn Ridder

Prayer Family:

Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.

This week: Randy and Jamie Rabideau