

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:

- D. Redder/W. Moak—A-I
- M. Nagelkirk/R.Oosterhouse—J-O
- D. Barnett/J. Leazier—P-Z

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Pastor’s email—ben@harvesterc.com
Church website: www.harvesterc.com

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 Dick Barnett—2026
 Mike Nagelkirk—2027
 Darl Redder—2028
- Deacons Joe Leazier—2026
 Ryan Oosterhouse—2027
 Wayne Moak—2028

**CAST ALL YOUR
ANXIETY
ON HIM,
BECAUSE HE
CARES FOR YOU.**

1 PETER 5:7, NRSV

*Harvest Community
Church*

*A Christian Reformed Ministry
620 Sixth Avenue
Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849*

Welcome to Harvest Church

July 19, 2026

We are glad you are here!

“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.” 1 Peter 5:6-7

Morning Worship

Message: God’s Sovereign Care (2)

Scripture: Romans 8:28-30

Children’s worship will not meet today.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we take a second look at Paul’s amazing statements in Romans 8:28-31, where he exhibits an assurance of and wonder over the sovereign care of our heavenly Father. Last week we saw the certainty, the comprehensiveness, and the cohesiveness of God’s sovereign care, this morning three more adjectives take us deeper into the understanding and with that, the glory of God.

Second Offering this morning is for Hang (Joshua) Jiang, our missionary to immigrant Chinese in South Korea. Joshua and Emily are looking forward to returning to that mission work in the very near future.

Adult Sunday School meets this morning at 11:00. All other classes have recessed for the summer.

Community Vacation Bible School was a wonderful time in this community. Although we were cut short one day because of air warnings, many children got to hear and see the Word of God in action. Again, many thanks for the Harvest folks who helped in this ministry!

Our Annual Church Picnic is scheduled for August 23rd following the service at the residence of Dick and Robin Barnett. Bring a dish or two to pass, with meat and beverages provided.

Baptism: If anyone would like to publicly identify oneself with

Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior through the sacrament of baptism on the morning of August 23rd, please contact Pastor Ben.

From the Consistory: The following men have been nominated for the respective offices—Bob Green for the office of deacon, and Jason Flohr for the office of elder. There will be a congregational meeting following the service of August 16th for the purpose of receiving a vote of affirmation.

Harvest Co-ed Softball games will be played this Tuesday on Freeport field # 2 at 6:30. This week’s opponent is Green Street Church.

Love of the Lamb crochet/knitting group will meet on Friday, July 24 here at church at 6:30 pm. To date we have collected 13 baby blankets, 3 lap blankets and 2 prayer shawls. The group is requesting donations of blank journals, stickers, and cream/white colored tote bags, and fabric paint for an ARO project, anticipated to be completed in August, more details to come.

Church Directory Changes. Please make these changes to your church directory at home: Connie Johnson telephone #: 517-719-1474, Judy Hilley address: 178-A Aldon Lane, Ionia, MI 48846.

Winsome Women Christian Retreats have announced their Fall Retreat dates of October 21-22, and October 22-23 (identical programs) on Mackinaw Island. This year’s theme is ‘Created for a Purpose’. Guest speakers scheduled are Jennifer Rothchild and David Nassar with music provided by Aaron Shust. Registration opens on July 25. For more information on cost and other details, please visit www.wswretreats.org.

Women’s Salad Luncheon: Sponsored by Central United Women in Faith is scheduled for August 5, 12:00. Program will feature Jody Pratt, who has led mission teams to partner with local Peruvians to provide women’s healthcare in the Amazon River basin. There is no charge, but any free will offering donations will go to support the mission projects of the Central United Women in Faith. RSVP by July 31 at 616-374-8861 or info@centratchurch-lakeo.org.

Haven of Hope ministry will be hosting an Open House Celebration of their new mentoring facility at 9650 Thompson Rd., Lake Odessa on August 29 from 3-7 pm. The event is free but you must register to reserve your meal. Visit <https://www.havenofhopes.com/event-openhouse-2026> to register.

From ReFrame Ministry. Kids Corner Devotions: Prayer: God Hears It All - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Prayer: God Hears It All” at www.kidscorner.net. Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me.” One way that can happen is through prayer. God

loves your prayers. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like Family Practices for Family Collection.

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 our Wednesday evening prayer gathering.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am—Morning Worship 11:00 am—Adult Sunday School
Tuesday	6:30 pm—Softball game— Freeport Field #2
Wednesday	7:-00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offerings Received

July 12	General Fund \$10,416.00 ARO Work Trip—\$450.00
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ASSIGNMENTS

Thank you to all our volunteers who care for the children, and help with other ministries during the worship service today!

Greeters Today Jeff and Kay Lindsey
July 26 Bob and Cindi Green

Nursery Today Audrey Mason, Jessica Kastanek
July 26 Marshann Ludema, Joshua Flohr
August 2 Mary Flohr, Erika Leazier

Coffee Time Today Joann Gerke
July 26 Cindi Green
August 2 Wayne Moak

Children’s Worship has recessed for the summer

Prayer Ministry Today Calien Richardson
July 26 Karilynn Ridder

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Ken and Nancy Oosterhouse