

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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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

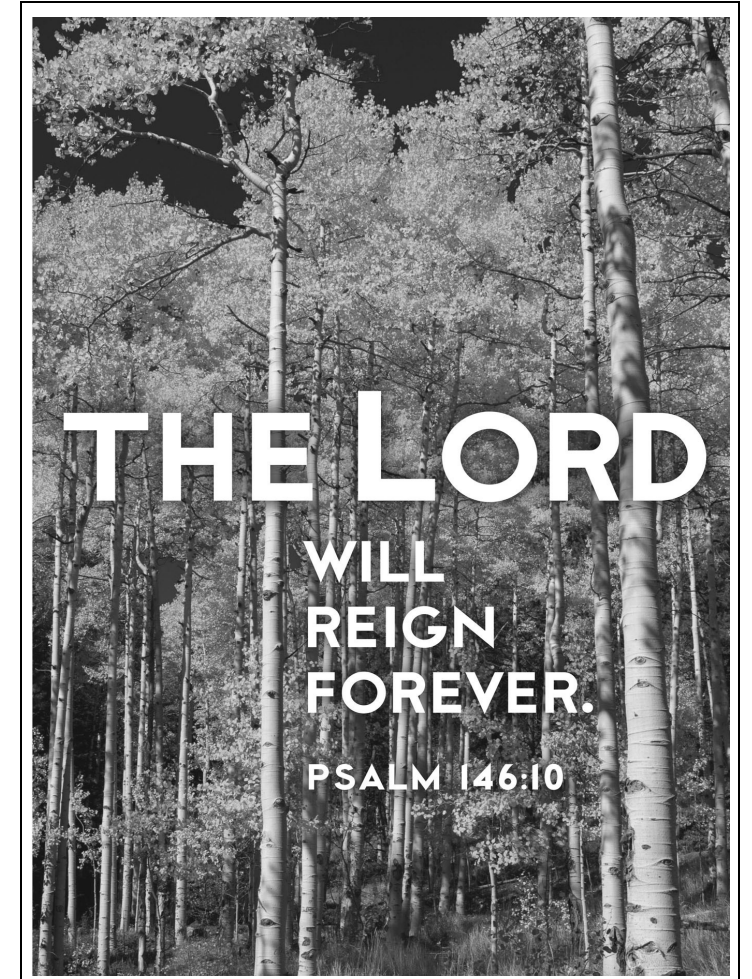
*CHEERS (Caring, Hope, Encouragement, Enlightenment, Respect, Support)

CONSISTORY:

Pastor Ben Ridder

Elders Dick Barnett—2026
Mike Nagelkirk—2027
Darl Redder—2028

Deacons Joe Leazier—2026
Ryan Oosterhouse—2027
Wayne Moak—2028



Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

July 5, 2026

We are glad you are here!

“Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore, I have set my face like flint, and know I will not be put to shame.” Isaiah 50:7

Morning Worship

Message: Our Sovereign LORD God (3)

Scripture: Job 1-2:10

Children’s worship will not meet today.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As we continue our closer look at the sovereignty of God, this morning we discover that sovereignty over Satan and evil. Even the bad things that happen and the main perpetrator of the bad things are not outside God’s sovereign control. They too are a part of that which God ordains, orders, and orchestrates in such a way that He is glorified and our good is accomplished. None of which is to say God is the author of or encourager of evil. We are thankful for the book of Job and a peek into the mystery God at work in the middle of tough circumstances.

Second Offerings for July

- This morning: The Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church—monies meant to help those with immediate financial needs.
- July 19: Hang (Joshua) Jiang, missionary to Chinese immigrants in South Korea. Joshua has recently been approved to head back to South Korea with the freedom to return to America when he so desires, having been declared an American citizen just a month ago!

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated 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 with

- the help of the Holy Spirit. Children who profess a faith in Jesus as Savior are also welcomed.

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

From the Council: The following men have been nominated to be the new officers of Harvest Community Church: for deacon—Bob Green, for elder—Jason Flohr. There will be a vote of affirmation of these two gentlemen by the congregation on Sunday, August 16th following the service.

Harvest Co-ed Softball team will play this week at Hastings Free Methodist Church on M-43 at 6:30 pm. Opponent will be Hastings FMC. Come out and support the team.

Community Wide Vacation Bible School. As the time draws closer (July 14th-16th) please keep this outreach in prayer. Currently there are over 50 volunteers from 6 different churches who have committed themselves to this ministry! Be in prayer for the volunteers and the children who will be in attendance.

VBS registration. Register kids grades Kindergarten thru 6th for the area-wide Vacation Bible School this summer by visiting <https://myvbs.org/lakewood-area-vacation-bible-school>. Sessions will be held from July 14-July 16 from 6:00 pm– 8:30 pm at the Lake Odessa Fairgrounds.

Church Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 23rd at the residence of Dick and Robin Barnett. Mark your calendars as more information will be coming.

Baptism. If you would like to be baptized on that Sunday (August 23rd) please see Pastor Ben.

Church Family. Keep Lyle Livingston in your prayers as he submits to heart bypass surgery this Tuesday. May the LORD be his strength and his ever-present help in times of trouble.

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 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@centrachurch-lakeo.org.

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—Morning Worship 11:00 am—Adult Sunday School
Tuesday	6:30—Softball game— Hastings Free Methodist Church
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offerings Received

June 28 General Fund \$7,421.00

ASSIGNMENTS

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

Greeters Today Lyle and Val Livingston
July 12 Jeff and Kay Lindsey

Nursery Today Joann Gerke, Erika Leazier
July 12 Harlene Westendorp, Jaelynn Duits
July 19 Audrey Mason, Jessica Kastanek

Coffee Time Today Tamara Reser
July 12 Mike and Lynnette Nagelkirk
July 19 Joann Gerke

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Prayer Ministry

Today Joel Pepper
July 12 Lynnette Nagelkirk

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Dick and Sue Nelson