

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

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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

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FOR US IN THAT
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WERE SINNERS
CHRIST DIED
FOR US.

ROMANS 5:8, NRSV

*Harvest Community
Church*

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

May 31, 2026

We are glad you are here!

“For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.”

Psalm 103:11-12

Morning Worship

Message: The Lavish Love of God (1)

Scripture: Various Passages

Children’s worship meets today. Children ages 3-6 are dismissed to go downstairs during the offering.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jesus gives us a prescription for our worrying and anxiety: Get to know God better and better! We are in the middle of filling that prescription, which ought be a life-long endeavor. This week we begin to look at another of God’s attributes that tends to be put front and center in considering His character: God’s Love.

Second Offerings for June:

- Next Sunday—The Benevolent Fund of Harvest Community Church
- June 21—Capital Improvement Fund of Harvest Church

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

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated as part of our time together next Sunday.

Women’s lunch— come for lunch this Tuesday at Michigan Farm-house Pizza in Clarksville at 12:45. All women invited.

Harvest Co-ed Softball—the first game of the season is scheduled for this Tuesday, June 2, 6:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church’s field on M43 in Hastings. There will be free hot dogs for everyone at 6:00 pm, supplied by First Presbyterian.

From the Fellowship Purpose Group: On Sunday evening, June 14th, 5:00, we will be hosting a “Fireside Chat” in the back of the church parking lot. Who doesn’t enjoy telling stories around a campfire? Come and share your stories of God’s faithfulness, love, goodness, etc. in your life! Let’s be an encouragement to each other! Bring your lawn chair and a snack to share. Also, the Fellowship Group is planning events for July 12 and August 9. Mark your calendars!

Community Vacation Bible School will be having a float in the Lake Odessa’s parade on June 24th. We will be handing out goody bags which will include information concerning the Vacation Bible School. Churches are being asked to help supply the candy for the goody bags. Just drop off any donation to the church kitchen and Pastor Ben will see that it gets to where it needs to go.

Summer Ministry Work Trip to Appalachia Reach Out: Dates are August 29th thru September 4th for ages 18 and above. The cost is \$450 per person (includes food, lodging and construction materials). Sign up on the back table or contact Mike or Lynnette Nagel-kirk if you need more information.

ARO Work Trip Donations. In the middle of the “official” fund-raising efforts, please feel free to make any cash donation at any time to help support those heading out later this summer!

Pastor’s Class: If there is anyone interested in knowing more about the Christian faith, especially the reformed expression of the Christian faith, Pastor Ben is willing to arrange a time for a class this summer. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table.

ReFrame Ministries. Groundwork: God Makes All Things New - The fourth major theme of the Bible is that of consummation, the time when God will complete his redemptive plan and make all creation new. Join Groundwork as we study Revelation 21:1-5, Matthew 19:28, Romans 8:18-21, and Ephesians 2:19-22 to see a future where God’s presence eradicates suffering and evil, and brings justice and eternal joy and to discuss what it means for us now. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner Devotions: Paul: God Changes Everything - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Paul: God Changes Everything” at www.kidscorner.net. What if your life suddenly made a huge U-turn and turned you into a God-helper on an exciting new mission? Discover how you can help others, serve God, and be part of an amazing adventure starting today! Check out the KC Summertime Collection with lots of puzzles, games, and fun activities. Good for road trips or quiet time at home.

Severe weather reminder. With Spring comes possible tornado weather in our area. Tune in to Wood TV channel 8 or *TV 8 weather closings* on your smart phone for any church service cancellations due to tornado warnings.

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/Communion 11:00 am—Adult Sunday School
Tuesday	12:45 pm—Women’s Lunch 6:30—Softball game at First Presbyterian in Hastings
Wednesday	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offerings Received

May 24 General Fund \$4,922.00

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 June 7 Wayne and Carrie Moak

Nursery Today Audrey Mason, Joshua Flohr
June 7 Mary Flohr, Erika Leazier
June 14 Jenny Reynolds, Jaelynn Duits

Coffee Time Today Cindi Green
June 7 Wayne Moak
June 14 Steve Werdon

Children’s Worship
Today Sue Hansbarger, Erika Leazier
June 7 No Children’s Worship until September

Prayer Ministry
Today Cindi Green
June 7 Marshann Ludema

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Jared and Theresa McConnon