

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.)

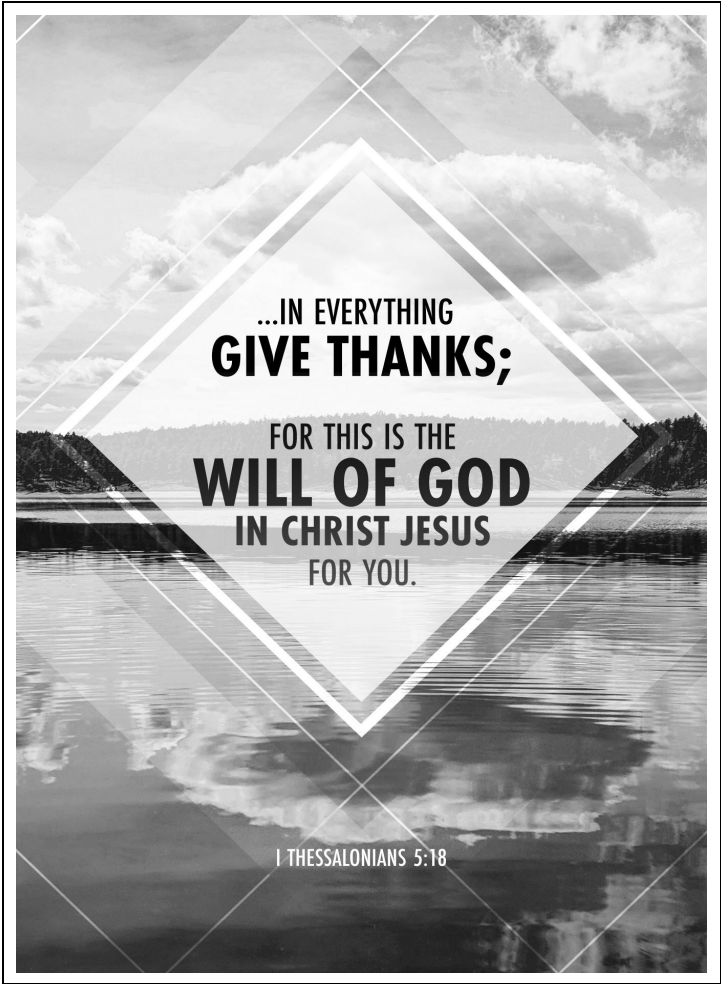
Weekday Ministries

- 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



...IN EVERYTHING
GIVE THANKS;

FOR THIS IS THE
WILL OF GOD
IN CHRIST JESUS
FOR YOU.

I THESSALONIANS 5:18

Harvest Community Church

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

November 23, 2025

We are glad you are here!

“For everything in the world-the cravings of sinful man, the lust of the eyes and the boasting of what he has and does-comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever.”
1 John 2:16-17

Morning Worship

Message: “Your Will Be Done” (2)

Scripture: Luke 22:39-46

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we continue our study of the prayer we know as the The Lord’s Prayer with a second look at the third petition: **Your Will Be Done.** We are asking that God’s purpose for His world come to pass, especially as they pertain to us, even as we pray that prayer. But it’s more than that. It is also a recognition that as part of His will for us, certain burdens have to be carried that we would very much not want to carry. Our greatest example of this is Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is before us this morning. With Christ as our host, grace is presented to all of our senses. 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.

Community Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for this evening at 6:00 at the Congregational Church here in Lake Odessa.

1 Thessalonians Study will not be held this evening as Pastor Ridder will be a participant in the community service.

Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be prayed over this morning as we send them off around the world. A reminder: there is a gospel presentation included in every box along with an opportunity for entering into a Bible study suitable for the age of the child receiving the box. Thanks again to all who made this year’s efforts once again a success!

Coffee Break for women and Wednesday night prayer will not meet this week.

Lakewood Community Council Christmas Basket Program.

Thank you to all who signed up to provide an age-specific gift for a child in our community. There is also an opportunity to help with this ministry by donations of new hats, warm winter mittens/gloves and socks of all sizes. Donations can be brought here to Harvest by Sunday, December 7. All gifts and donations will be delivered to Living Gospel Church for distribution.

Church Family:

- Gail Pepper thanks you for the cards and prayers. She is recovering well at home after her recent surgery.
- Joy Baum no longer has her home phone. Please use her cell phone - 616-577-0651 when trying to reach her.

Needed: Male volunteers to supervise in the church basement from right after the worship service until Sunday School begins. There is a sign up sheet on the back table or contact Karilynn.

Harvest book readers have chosen *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese for the next book for discussion on December 18.

The 2026 Proposed Budget has been placed in your mailboxes, with a few extra on the back table. There will be a congregational meeting following the service of Sunday, December 7th for the purpose of voting on the proposal. Any questions you have can be directed toward any of our current deacons.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - International Caregivers Day - Caregivers know what it’s like to live out Philippians 2:3–4: “In humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.” How can you support the caregivers in your church or community? Could you offer a break to someone caring for an aging family member or a family member with a disability? If you are a caregiver, think of one tangible way to ask for help this week from someone who can support you. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

From ReFrame Ministries -Kids Corner Devotions: Advent: The Season of Waiting - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Advent: The Season of Waiting” at www.kidscorner.net. Advent

starts next week—it’s the four weeks before Christmas, a time to get our hearts ready for Jesus. We remember that He was born for us and that one day He will come again, so we can trust God while we wait. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the KC video series, “Kids in Action”, telling stories of kids who serve God right now!

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—Sunday School for all ages 6:00 pm—Community Thanksgiving Service at Congregational Church
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From the Deacons—Offerings Received

November 16	General Fund \$ 1,350.00 Benevolent Fund \$746.00
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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!

<u>Greeters</u>	Today Royce and Joyce Wilcox November 30 Wayne and Carrie Moak
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<u>Nursery</u>	Today Julie Kastanek, Jessica Kastanek November 30 Lisa Nurenberg, Joshua Flohr December 7 Harlene Westendorp Erika Leazier
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<u>Coffee Time</u>	Today Marshann Ludema November 30 Mike and Lynnette Nagelkirk December 7 Joann Gerke
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<u>Prayer Ministry</u>	Today Gail Pepper November 30 Joel Pepper
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Prayer Family:
Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.
This week: Cameron and Sydney Doane