

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.)

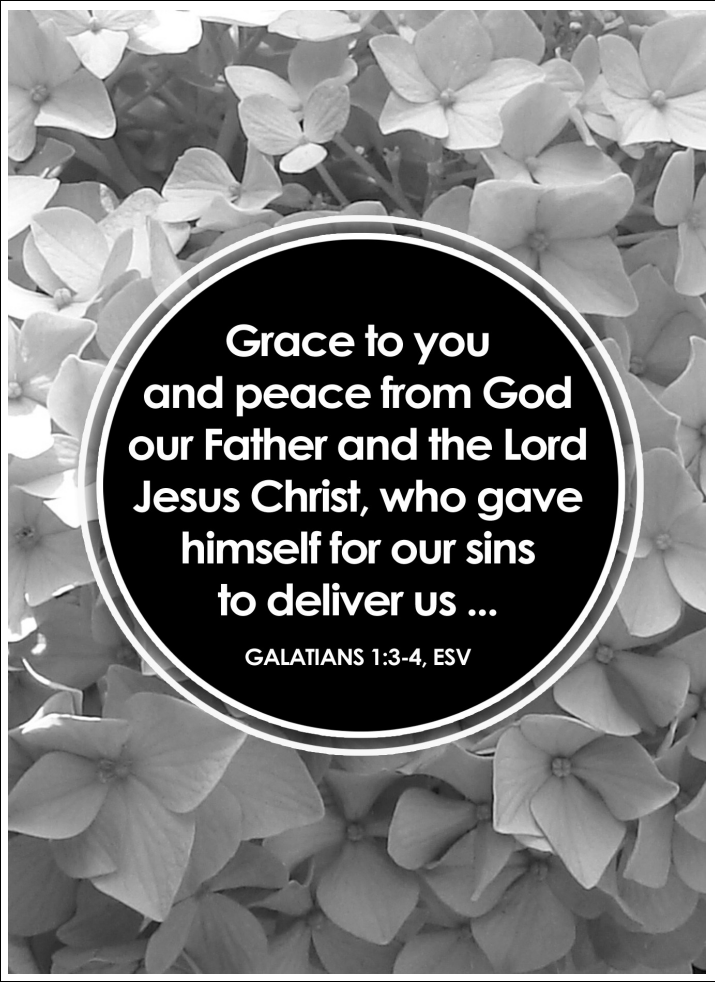
Weekday Ministries

- 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

October 12, 2025

We are glad you are here!

“Grace and peace to you from God our father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself up for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever!” Galatians 1:3-5

Morning Worship

Message: God Our Father

Scripture: Matthew 6:5-13

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning as we continue in our prayer series, we move to what has historically been called The Lord’s Prayer. What we sometimes take for granted in being able to call Almighty God our Father was something radically new and different for the disciples to even consider. Jesus gives us the unspeakable privilege of addressing God in the same terms of family familiarity that He Himself used.

Second Offering next Sunday is for the Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church. Be reminded that half of what we collect here gets donated to the Community Benevolent Fund administered by the Lakewood Ministerial Association.

Sunday School for all ages follows the service this morning at 11:00. Adults meet in the auditorium. All other classrooms are marked downstairs.

2nd and 4th Sunday Night Bible Study resumes this evening at 5:00. We will pick up where we left off last Spring in our study of I Thessalonians. Please read and consider I Thessalonians 4:13-18 in preparation for tonight’s study.

From the Consistory: Having appeared before representatives of consistory to declare their faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, Susan Hansbarger and Kris Dubuque will publicly profess their faith during our worship service next Sunday, October 19. At the same time Kris’s son Easton will be baptized.

Coffee Break for women meets this Wednesday at 9:00 am. We will be looking at chapter 3 from the book entitled *Identity Theft* by various authors. All women are welcomed! If you need a book, see Marshann.

Sign up today! A new prayer chain is being formed. If you would like to be included, please sign the sheet on the table by the mail-boxes today with your name, email and phone number. You must sign up even if you have previously been on our prayer chain. When a specific request comes in to Pastor Ben or to the church office, the chain will be activated.

The Harvest Book Readers group will be meeting this Thursday at 6:30 pm to discuss the book *Beneath a Scarlet Sky* by Mark Sullivan.

Church Family: Nancy Oosterhouse was transferred to Mary Free Ben this past week. Continue praying for renewed strength. Jeff Lindsey continues battling with several health issues. Keep him in your prayers as well.

The Lakewood Soccer Moms group is hosting a benefit dinner for the Brent Merritt family this Friday, October 17th, 5-8 pm at Kilpatrick Church. Taco bar and MooVille sundae bar are on the menu, with some fun raffle prizes. Come join us for some fun and fellowship.

Dresses. Marilyn DeJong will be collecting all sizes of prom, bridesmaid, mother of the bride/groom, special occasion or not so fancy dresses until October 20. Also accessories (necklace, bracelet, hair clips, barrettes), which will be used by women ages 18-83 for a prom night for ladies in the recovery journey at White Oak Hill, an addiction recovery center that Bob and Marilyn partner with in Kentucky.

From the Outreach Purpose Group

- On the evening of October 31st, we will be handing out candy, New Testaments, and other Christian booklets. If you would be willing to help set up or help with the candy and/or hot chocolate, contact Joe or Tina Leazier, or Karilynn Ridder. Also, candy contributions are also welcomed.
- Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child is right around the corner. Opportunity to help in this ministry is displayed on the west wall of the auditorium.

Festival of Tables. Lakewood Community Women will present Festival of Tables *Harvest of Blessings* on Saturday, November 8 at the Clarksville Bible Church Grace Center from 9am to 12 pm. Doors open at 8:30. Brunch will be served. This is a free event. No childcare available. Guest speakers will be Barbara Bosworth and Jessi Trierweiler. Sign up on the back table or by calling Bonnie Rush at 517-281-3860.

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—Sunday School for ages
Wednesday	9:00 am —Coffee Break for women 11:30 am—Moms in Prayer 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting
Thursday	6:30 pm—Harvest Book Readers
Friday	5-8 pm—Taco Bar Benefit Dinner for Merritts at Kilpatrick Church

From the Deacons—Offerings Received

October 5 General Fund \$ 6,760.00
Herman House Children’s Home \$497.00

ASSIGNMENTS

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

Greeters Today Ken and Sandy Stoel
October 19 Darl and Diane Redder

Nursery Today Audrey Mason, Joshua Flohr
October 19 Marshann Ludema, Jessica Kastanek
October 26 Mary Flohr, Joshua Flohr

Coffee Time Today Cindi Green
October 19 Wayne Moak
October 26 Steve Werdon

Prayer Ministry
Today Cindi Green October 19 Marshann Ludema

Prayer Family:
Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.
This week: Nick and Emily Berens