

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:

- J. Flohr/S. Oosterhouse—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.)

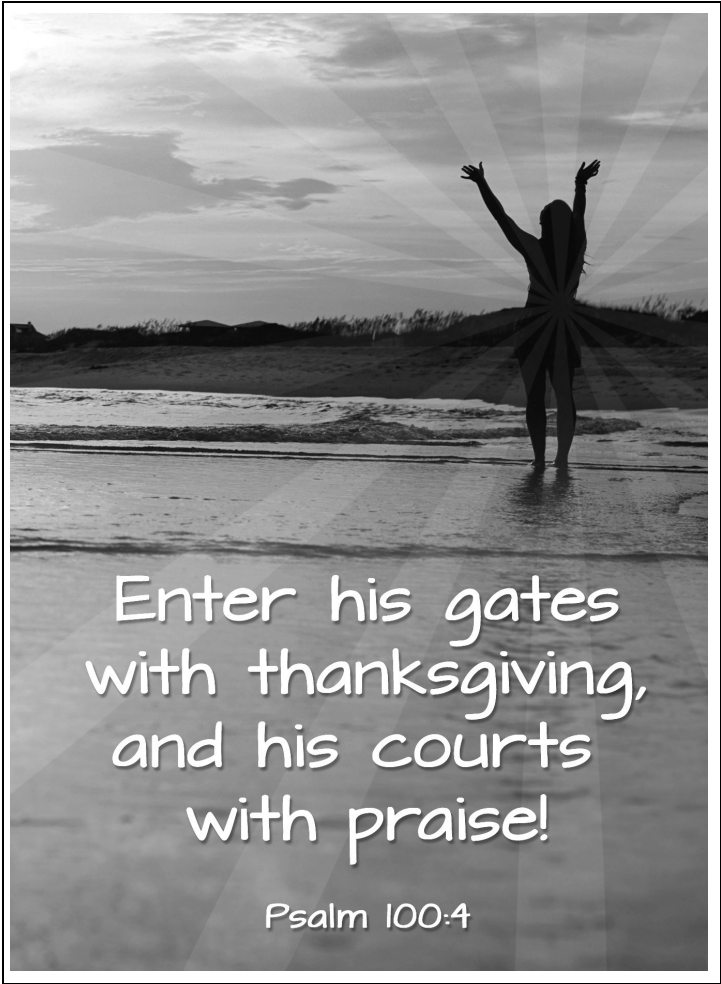
Weekday Ministries

- 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 Jason Flohr—2025
Dick Barnett—2026
Mike Nagelkirk—2027
- Deacons Seth Oosterhouse—2025
Joe Leazier—2026
Ryan Oosterhouse—2027



Harvest Community Church

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

Welcome to Harvest Church

September 21, 2025

We are glad you are here!

“Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out! Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has ever been His counselor? Who has ever given to God that God should repay Him? For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amen.” Romans 12:33-36

Morning Worship

Message: Adoration in Prayer

Scripture: I Chronicles 29:1-20

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we will continue to look at the subject of prayer by introducing to some of us ,while reminding others of us of a childhood acronym: **ACTS:** Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplications (requests). Today we will focus on the Adoration aspect of prayer. Our tendency is to want to go quickly to our wish list while praying: together let us understand the importance of worship before asking.

Second Offering this morning will be for Women for Risk International (WAR). This ministry is aimed towards helping those previously and currently enslaved by human trafficking.

Sunday School for all ages begins today. The children will meet for songs and prayer before going to their individual classrooms. The ages and teachers for each classroom are found outside the classrooms.

Congregational Meeting is scheduled for after the service this morning for the purpose of taking votes of affirmation for the following men nominated for their respective church offices: Darl Redder for elder and Wayne Moak for deacon. All communicant members 18 years and older are eligible to vote.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated together

next Sunday during our service of worship.

From the Outreach Purpose Group

- This Tuesday at 6:00, representatives from Starlight Ministry (including Mycah Ridder) will be here to present a suicide prevention training entitled QPR (question, persuade, refer). To register please contact mycah@starlightmin.org.
- 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 contribution is 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.

Christian Book Give Away: There are tables outside on the east side of the building filled with Christian books. They are there for the taking! Peruse the wide variety of subject matter and help yourself.

Coffee Break for women resumes in October. Pray about who you could invite to this outreach focused time to gather around God’s Word. More information will be coming.

Community Small Groups will be starting the new season soon. If you are not currently involved in a small group ministry and would like more information, please contact Pastor Ben.

Prayer Volunteers. This involves spending some time in prayer for our Sunday morning service either before or during the service. Contact the church office if you want to be included on a rotation for this important ministry at Harvest.

Alpha Care Center, with locations in both Lowell and Lake Odesa, will be hosting a Vision of Life Fundraising Dinner on Tuesday, October 7th at Thornapple Pointe Golf Club, 7211 48th St., Grand Rapids. Please RSVP by September 30 if you would like to attend at <https://givebutter.com/RYyVlt>.

Finding Freedom Ranch - Finding Freedom Ranch, a Christian ministry designed to bring healing and restoration to those battling eating disorders, is celebrating the opening of The Lodge. With the space now open, we are thrilled to announce the launch of support groups and community events. Our very first event will be held on Monday, September 29, 2025, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. Licensed Master Social Worker and Certified Eating Disorder Specialist Kelly BoPrie will be sharing on The Signs of Eating Disorders, equipping parents with knowledge and tools to better support their child-

dren. Visit FindingFreedomRanch.org to register for this free event.

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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 and Communion
	11:00 am—Sunday School for all ages
Tuesday	6:00 pm—QPR Suicide Prevention
Wednesday	10:00 am—Moms in Prayer
	7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons—Offerings Received

September 14 General Fund \$ 2,925.00

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Postage \$150.00

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 September 28 Ken and Calien Richardson

Nursery Today Julie Kastanek, Joshua Flohr
September 28 Marshann Ludema , Erika Leazier
October 5 Harlene Westendorp, Jaelynn Duits

Coffee Time Today Marshann Ludema
September 28 Mike and Lynnette Nagelkirk
October 5 Joann Gerke

Prayer Ministry

Today Karilynn Ridder **September 28** Gail Pepper

Prayer Family:

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

This week: Tim and Tammie Zook