

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 Dick Barnett—2026
 Mike Nagelkirk—2027
 Wayne Moak— 2028
- Deacons Joe Leazier—2026
 Ryan Oosterhouse—2027
 Darl Redder—2028

Create in me a
clean heart,



God,
and renew a
right spirit
within me.

Psalm 51:10, ESV

*Harvest Community
Church*

A Christian Reformed Ministry

620 Sixth Avenue

Lake Odessa, Michigan 48849

Welcome to Harvest Church

September 28, 2025

We are glad you are here!

“If we claim to be without sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:8-9

Morning Worship

Message: Confession

Scripture: Psalm 51

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As we continue our look at the subject of prayer, we move to the C of the acrostic ACTS. Last week we saw the place that Adoration must have in our prayer life. This morning, the importance of Confession of sin to find a regular place in our talking with God. As we adore God in light of His self-revelation, our own sin comes into clearer focus, and our need to ever be in humble sincere confession.

Second Offerings for the month of October

- October 5: Hermon House Orphanage in Myanmar
- October 19: Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church

Installation of New Officers will take place today during the worship service. Darl Redder will be installed as elder, and Wayne Moak as deacon. Please express thanks to those whose terms have ended this year: Jason Flohr as elder and Seth Oosterhouse as deacon.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is before us this morning. All are invited to partake 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.

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

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.

Coffee Break for women begins this Wednesday at 9:00 am. Our first study will be from the book entitled *Identity Theft* by various authors. There are books available today, see Marshann for yours.

Community Small Groups are forming for the coming season. 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.

A new prayer chain will be formulated in the next couple of weeks. If you would like to be included, please sign the sheet on the table by the mailboxes 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.

Dresses Needed. Marilyn DeJong is looking for dresses (all sizes), all styles (gently used prom, bridesmaids, mother of bride/groom, dresses for special occasions or not so fancy dresses), also accessories (necklace, bracelet, hair clips, barrettes). These 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. Please have them to Marilyn by September 30.

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.

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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

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| Today | 9:30 am—Morning Worship/Communion 11:00 am—Sunday School for all ages |
| Wednesday | 9:00 am —Coffee Break for women 11:30 am—Moms in Prayer 7:00 pm—Prayer Meeting |

From the Deacons—Offerings Received

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| September 21 | General Fund | \$ 3,331.00 |
| | Women at Risk | \$1,025.00 |

ASSIGNMENTS

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

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| <u>Greeters</u> | Today | Ken and Calien Richardson |
| | October 5 | Ken and Sandy Stoel |

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| <u>Nursery</u> | Today | Harlene Westendorp , Erika Leazier |
| | October 5 | Marshann Ludema, Jaelynn Duits |
| | October 12 | Audrey Mason, Joshua Flohr |

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| <u>Coffee Time</u> | Today | Mike and Lynnette Nagelkirk |
| | October 5 | Joann Gerke |
| | October 12 | Cindi Green |

Prayer Ministry

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| Today | Gail Pepper | October 5 | 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: Dick and Robin Barnett