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 be Grafted to one another through HolySpirit 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
J. Flohr/R.Green – P-Z

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Pastor's email – ben@harvestcrc.com
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Church Activities

Sunday Services

Worship Service – 9:30 am (Children's Worship during service)

Sunday School – 11:00 am Sept-May

Community Group Ministry – Sunday evenings Sept-May

*(CHEERS in the home 1st and 3rd Sundays)

Bible Study at church 2nd and 4th Sundays)

Weekday Ministries

Coffee Break – Wednesdays 9:00-11:00 am Sept-May

Moms in Prayer – Wednesdays – 11:30 am Sept-May

Prayer Meeting – Wednesdays – 4:15 pm

*CHEERS (Caring, Hope, Encouragement, Enlightenment, Respect, Support)

Consistory:

Pastor Ben Ridder

Elders Mike Nagelkirk – 2027
Darl Redder – 2028
Jason Flohr - 2029

Deacons Ryan Oosterhouse – 2027
Wayne Moak – 2028
Bob Green – 2029

"Look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting."

JOHN 4:35, NRSV



Harvest Community Church

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

Welcome to Harvest Church

November 8, 2026

We are glad you are here!

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you, and His glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn." Isaiah 60:1-3

Morning Worship
Message: From Failure to Success
Scripture: Luke 5:1-11
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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

This morning we welcome to bring us God's Word Roland Rizallaraj. Roland was born in Albania and currently heads up Albanian Christian Ministry located here in West Michigan. He ministers both in West Michigan and the Detroit area, bringing the gospel to Muslim populations. Roland will be leading the adult Sunday School hour as well. As a dedicated follower of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are very glad to have him with us this morning.

Call to Worship this morning (as we continue to memorize Psalm 103 together): "Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits-who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases; who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion."

Second Offering next Sunday will be for the afore mentioned Albanian Christian Ministry.

Ezra Bible Study will meet this evening at 5:00. Please read chapter 2 in preparation for our study.

Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child: You have until next Sunday to bring your donated items to church, as boxes will be packed that day during the Sunday School hour. Again, thanks to all who have been a part of this annual ministry.

Lakewood Area Ministerial Association will again be sponsoring an area-wide Thanksgiving Worship service. This years' service is scheduled for Sunday evening, November 22, 6:00 at the Congregational Church, downtown Lake Odessa.

Coffee Break for Women meets this Wednesday at 9:00. We will be looking at Lesson 7 'Strength in Suffering' in our study guide on Timothy and Titus, by Max Lucado. All women are welcome to join us at any time.

Church Family: New address for Judy Hilley is 874 Third Avenue, Lake Odessa, MI 48849

ARO (Appalachia Reach Out) is in need of new or gently used blankets, quilts, and comforters for twin, double, or queen-sized beds. Also needed are plastic grocery bags. Please have your donations here by Thanksgiving.

There is a sign-up sheet in the back for volunteers to help at the Lakewood Area Community Dinner, held every Thursday night from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Central United Methodist Church in downtown Lake Odessa. Rob Piercefield from Swede's provides the main meal, while the host church is responsible for desserts, hosting, and cleanup. Our service opportunity for Harvest comes once every six weeks. Whether you can help in the kitchen or drop off dessert, your support would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your interest in this outreach ministry! See Cindi Green if you have questions.

Christmas Gifts. Lakewood Community Council has asked that Harvest Church folks supply gifts for certain age groups for their Christmas Basket Program, as we have in the past. Three gifts are needed for 5-year-old boys and six gifts for 16-year-old girls. Sign up on the back table. There is also a special need for new children's water-resistant gloves this year. Gifts are due here at church by Sunday, December 6. If you would like to help deliver the gift boxes on Saturday, December 12, meet at Living Gospel church at 9:00 am. Financial gifts used to purchase meat certificates are also greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to Lakewood Community Council, c/o Buffy Meyers, PO Box 35, Sunfield, MI 48890. Thank you for your participation in this annual collection which benefits members of our community.

From ReFrame Minstries. **Groundwork: Prayer and Repentance** - Most of us feel uncomfortable admitting our shame and our guilt when we make mistakes, but for Christians, it's an important and valuable part of our faith life. Join our Groundwork conversation as we dig into Luke 11:4, John 1:8-10, Psalm 51, Mark 2:1-7, Daniel 9:4-19, and 1 John 5:13-15 to learn about prayers of repentance and why honest prayers of confession matter. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am – Morning Worship
	11:00 am –Sunday School for all ages
	5:00 – Ezra Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 am – Coffee Break for Women
	11:30 am – Moms in Prayer

From the Deacons – Offerings Received

November 1	General Fund $4,615.00
	Open Doors $609.00
	Shoebox Postage $100.00

ASSIGNMENTS

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

Greeters Today: Darl and Diane Redder
November 15: Nick and Emily Berens

Nursery Today: Marshann Ludema, Jaelynn Duits
November 15: Audrey Mason, Joshua Flohr
November 22: Mary Flohr, Erika Leazier

Coffee Time Today: Joann Gerke
November 15: Cindi Green
November 22: Marshann Ludema

Children's Worship (ages 3-6)
Today: Open

Prayer Ministry Today: Karilynn Ridder
November 15: Gail Pepper

Prayer Family:
Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule.
This week: Marcus and Felicia Vanderkooi