

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 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
- J. Flohr/R.Green – P-Z

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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

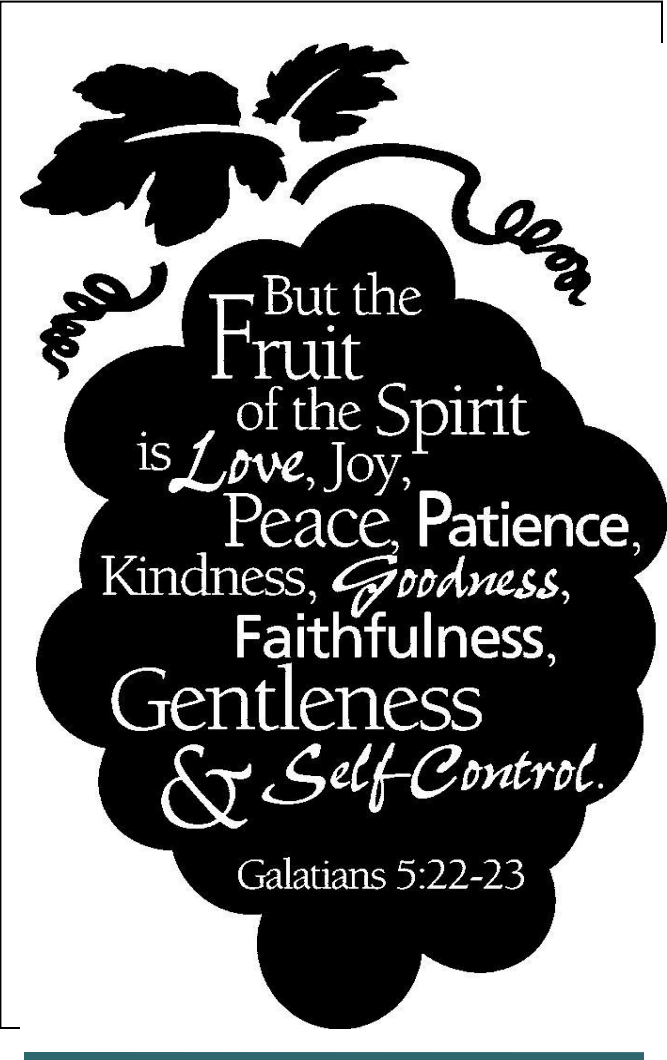
Moms in Prayer – Wednesdays – 11:30 am Sept-May

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



Harvest Community Church

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

Welcome to Harvest Church

October 11, 2026

We are glad you are here!

“You were taught in regards to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.”
The Apostle Paul to the church in Ephesus (4:22-24)

Morning Worship

Scripture: Galatians 5:16-22

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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

Today we begin a two-part look at the final element of Holy Spirit fruit being produced in us by God: Self-Control. When we put this fruit next to all the other ones listed, we discover that the need for this fruit is present in the display of every other fruit. Even as the Holy Spirit is giving us His desire for our character in every situation, the old man/woman in us is giving us its desires. Self-control is needed to say “no” to the one and “yes” to the other.

Call to Worship this Morning (to be said in unison): “Praise the Lord O my soul, and all my inmost being, praise His holy name. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.”

Second Offering next Sunday is for the Benevolent Fund of Harvest Church. This fund is to help those with immediate financial and material needs

Bible Study Tonight at Church: Tonight we begin our 2nd and 4th Sunday evening study here at church, 5:00. We will be studying the Old Testament book of Ezra to get this season started. Please read Ezra 1:1-4 in preparation for this evening.

Most of our time will be spent in introducing the book.

Outreach Purpose Group meets tomorrow evening at 6:30.

Coffee Break for Women meets this Wednesday at 9:00. We will be discussing lesson 3 in our study guides, I and II Timothy and Titus. All women are always welcome to join us.

Consistory will be meeting this Wednesday at 7:00. Pastor Ben will be serving as host. Please read and review Articles 27-28 of the Belgic Confession in preparation.

From the Outreach Purpose Group:

- We will be handing out Bibles and candy and hot chocolate in front of church on the evening of October 31st. If you would be willing to donate some candy, please leave it in the church kitchen. If you would like to help that evening, see Karilynn.
- We will once again be a part of the Operation Christmas Child Ministry of the Samaritan’s Purse. There are items listed on the west wall of the auditorium that we need to be packed in boxes. We will be looking to pack boxes in the first week of November. You may also pack a box or two on your own! Any questions can be directed to Pastor or Karilynn Ridder.

College Care Packages. We will be sending care packages to college students again this school year. If you know of a student who could use some encouragement, please submit their name by **October 31st** to add them to our mailing list! See Tamara Reser if you have any questions.

Prayer Chain Update. It is time to revisit our prayer chain list during the month of October as we do each year. Please sign the sheet on the back table if you would like to be included. Note: you must sign up even if you are on the current prayer chain.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Thankfulness is an important faith practice. Each day between now and Thanksgiving, notice the things in your life that you can give thanks for. Write those things on slips of paper and collect them in a jar or box to read during your Thanksgiving celebration. Visit crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/gratitude for other ways to respond with thankfulness for God’s goodness, love, provision, and grace. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

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 them in the offering basket or in the Prayer Room bowl. The needs are prayed for at the Wednesday evening prayer gathering.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Today	9:30 am – Morning Worship 11:00 am – Sunday School for all ages 5:00 pm – Ezra Bible Study
Monday	6:30 pm – Outreach Purpose Group meeting
Wednesday	9:00 am – Coffee Break for Women 11:30 am – Moms in Prayer 4:15 pm – Prayer Meeting

From the Deacons – Offerings Received

October 4 General Fund \$7,023.00
Herman House Orphanage in Myanmar \$891.00

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 Stoen
October 18: Mike and Lynnette Nagelkirk

Nursery Today: Julie Kastanek, Jaelynn Duit
October 18: Lisa Nurenberg, Erika Leazier
October 25: Joann Gerke, Joshua Flohr

Coffee Time Today: Steve Weldon
October 11 Wayne Moak
October 18: Noah Garn

Children’s Worship (ages 3-6): Karilynn Ridder

Prayer Ministry Today: Joel Pepper
October 18 Lynnette Nagelkirk

Prayer Family:

Please be praying for this household over the next week. Each Harvest household is rotated through the schedule. **This week:** Grant and Norma Russell