



LIVERPOOL FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP
22nd Sunday After Pentecost
9 November 2025
10.15 a.m.

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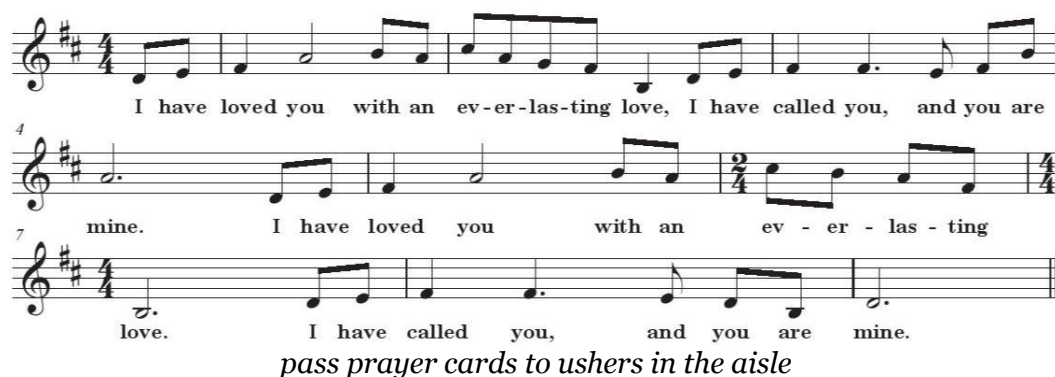
Those who are never accused
Do not realize how it changes you
Even if exonerated, you are never really excused ...
Jessica Romano

Prelude

Welcome and Congregational Life

Pastor

*Gathering Song: I Have Loved You



pass prayer cards to ushers in the aisle

Call to Worship (Responsively)

Elder Tracie Folley

Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise.

God's greatness no one can fathom.

One generation commends your works to another.

***They tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious
splendor of your majesty***

I will meditate on your wonderful works.

***The LORD is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he
does.***

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

***God fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears
their cry, and saves them.***

Invocation (Unison)

Psalm 17

Elder Tracie Folley

Listen, O Lord, to my plea for justice; pay attention to my cry for help! Listen to my honest prayer. You will judge in my favor, because you know what is right.

You know my heart. You have come to me at night; you have examined me completely and found no evil desire in me. I speak no evil, as others do; I have obeyed your command and have not followed paths of violence. I have walked in your way and have never strayed from it.

I pray to you, O God, because you answer me; so turn to me and listen to my words. Reveal your wonderful love and save me. Amen

*Hymn of Praise: O Worship the King

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An offering will be received at this time, use the QR code below as a giving option

A Call to Humility

Sometimes we are too smart for our own good. We create answers to questions no one is asking. We make decisions based on information that is neither true nor helpful. And then, all of a sudden, we look around to discover we are lost. We need help in finding our way back. That is the essence of confession, admitting we are lost and asking for help. Let us pray together:

Prayer of Humility (Unison)

O God, we have forgotten how to trust in you. Or perhaps we never really understood. When bad things happen to us, we view them as punishment and not an opportunity to grow.

We seek material goods we don't really need and then put them in storage to use later - perhaps.

We befriend people -- not always out of love -- people who sometimes prove unworthy of the trust we have given, and then we grow distrustful of everyone.

We ask questions of you like the Sadducees did of Jesus; questions that try only to prove our point, to justify what we have done or want to do, but not to grow in understanding of your desires for us or to enable us to be faithful to your leading.

Attend to us, Holy One, and show us that you are our salvation and our resting place. Help us to realize that you are the very source of our life.

Silent, Personal Prayer ...

Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Cupp

*Response: Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures, here below
Praise him above, you heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

Scripture

Elder Tracie Folley

Gospel: Luke 20.27-38

Some Sadducees, who say that people will not rise from death, came to Jesus and said, Teacher, Moses wrote this law for us: 'If a man dies and leaves a wife but no children, that man's brother must marry the widow so that they can have children who will be considered the dead man's children. Once there were seven brothers; the oldest got married and died without having children. Then the second one married the woman, and then the third. The same thing happened to all seven — they died without having children. Last of all, the woman died.

Now, on the day when the dead rise to life, whose wife will she be? All seven of them had married her."

Jesus answered them, "The men and women of this age marry, but the men and women who are worthy to rise from death and live in the age to come will not marry. They will be like angels and cannot die. They are the children of God because they have risen from death.

And Moses clearly proves that the dead are raised to life. In the passage about the burning bush, he speaks of the Lord as 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 'He is the God of the living, not of the dead, for to him all are alive."

Anthem Jesus is my Song of Grace

Choir

A time with young disciples

Dr. Cupp

Morning Lesson

Wisdom: Job 19.23-27

Job said, "How long will you torture me with your words? Isn't ten times enough for you to accuse me? Aren't you ashamed? Even if I have sinned, you haven't been harmed. You boast of your goodness, claiming I am suffering because I am guilty. But God is the one at fault for finding fault with me.

Though I pray to be rescued from this torment, no whisper of justice answers. God has me trapped with a wall of darkness and stripped of respect. God rips me apart, uproots my hopes, and attacks with fierce anger, as though I were his enemy. His entire army advances, then surrounds my tent.

God has turned relatives and friends against me, and I am forgotten. My guests and my servants consider me a stranger, and when I call my servants, they pay no attention. My breath disgusts my wife; everyone in my family turns away. Young children can't stand me, and when I come near, they make fun of me. My best friends and loved ones have turned from me. I am skin and bones— just barely alive. My friends, I beg you for pity! God has made me his target. Hasn't he already done enough? Why do you join the attack?

I wish that my words could be written down or chiseled into rock. I know that my Protector lives, and at the end, he will stand on this earth. My flesh may be destroyed, yet from this body I will see God. Yes, I will see him for myself, and I long for that moment.

My friends, you think up ways to blame and torment me, saying I brought it on myself. But watch out for the judgment, when God will punish you!

Sermon: Faith through hard times

Dr. Cupp

Prayer of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father in Heaven, your name is Holy. Your kingdom come, and your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us what we need for today and forgive us our sins in the same way we forgive others.

Do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn of Commitment: I Know My Redeemer Lives

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Benediction & *Response Amen, amen, amen

Postlude

Steve Uhl

*Please stand if you are able

And feel free to sit when you can no longer do so comfortably.



Use your mobile phone camera with this QR (quick response) code to open the secure website eservicepayments.com to give an on-going or one-time donation to LFPC. Or go to our website at: www.liverpoolfirstpres.org/give.

Wifi access: network LiverpoolFirstPres Guest; password: godsgrace

Welcome to our guests!

- Complete a Connection Card to stay in touch with us.
- Hearing devices are available from an usher.
- Restrooms located through the left-hand door at the front of the sanctuary and at the bottom of the stairs at the rear of the sanctuary.

LFPC welcomes **families with young children** to worship. Children are invited to stay with their adults in the sanctuary. Age-appropriate children's bulletins are available from an usher. Diaper changing stations are located downstairs and in the nursery. Every Sunday the nursery is open and staffed for infants through age 6. The nursery is through the right-hand door at the front of the sanctuary.

For the safety of our worshippers and friends **all entrances are locked on Sunday once the service has begun**. For admittance, please text the phone number on the worship entrance door

Pastor: Rev. Garrett Anderson
Treasurer: Tom Ogden
Financial Secretary: Mike Herd
Organist/Pianist: Steve Uhl
Preschool Director: Tracie Folley

Admin Assistant: Lisa Bricault
Bookkeeper: Tim Fay
Sexton: Ken Pfeiffer
Choir Director: Dr. David Rudari
Christian Formation Coordinator: Ashley Gouger



Ruling Elders (in session): Tim Bricault, Lynda Fauler, Tom Ogden, Ashley Gouger, Tracie Folley, Tim Fay, Leigh Anne Herd (clerk *pro tem*), Linda Hook, Bill Newell

Deacon Board: Karen Bloom, Linda Breckheimer, Ruth Crissman, Jessica Gorman, Brittany Holt, Diana Marocco, Pierre Nzuah, Bonnie Santos, Fletcher Smith, Marianne VanHoute, Jon Woodworth, Sue Woodworth

Salt of the earth, light of the world, ministers of God's grace: entire congregation



LFPC Choir

Rehearsal will be on **November 19th**
at 7:00 pm **next week**

A Time for Giving

Our congregation is always generous and seeking ways to give. During this coming Advent season, the Mission Committee has provided two missions for us to share our blessings with. All gifts are asked to be brought in by December 7 to be organized during the Hanging of the Greens.

The Giving Tree - fill the tree in the Fellowship Hall with hats, scarves and gloves/mittens to go to the Samaritan Center.



Interfaith Baskets – take a tag to fill our five baskets with items needed for the New Americans that came in last January *or* create your own basket! All items may not reflect a religious theme, image or writing.



You are invited to a beautiful afternoon of sacred music! The Diocese of Syracuse presents Ludwig van Beethoven Mass in C Major, Op. 86 featuring a festival choir of over 120 singers from around the diocese, soloists Julia Ebner, Katherine Weber, Daniel Fields, and David Rudari, accompanied by a Festival Orchestra all under the direction of Peter Ciarelli. 2 pm Sunday November 23 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Syracuse 259 Onondaga Street Syracuse. The concert is free and open to the public. Voluntary donations will be accepted at each entrance to benefit Music for the Mission to help feed the homeless and hungry in our community.

Mission & Social Justice Committee suggested donations for the month of Nov:



Starkist lunch to go tuna packs

Donations go to Liverpool Elementary Schools

Those wishing to make monetary donations to support the program can write a check to "Blessings in a Backpack" and write "**Liverpool NY Chapter 1854**" on the memo line. Checks should be sent to Blessings in a Backpack Liverpool NY Chapter 1854, PO Box 52, Liverpool, NY 13088

**Isaiah's Table
Little Pantry**

Needs include ready to eat items (pop-top cans or pouches), cereal, pasta, cereal bars, bar soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, or a monetary donation made out to: "Isaiah's Table".

Urgent needs: women's deodorant, sunscreen, hand sanitizer, nail clippers



These items are being accepted for ongoing need for families: (*most needed items)

Hygiene Items: soap, shampoo & conditioner, children's toothbrushes, toothpaste*, anti-perspirant/deodorant*, feminine pads*, shaving cream

Cleaning/Paper products: All-purpose cleaner*, dishwashing liquid, paper towels, tall kitchen trash bags, laundry detergent (no pods), sponges, ideally with scrubby side

Any questions, contact the church office (315) 457-3161 or office@liverpoolfirstpres.org

Donations can be dropped off in the foyer during office hours and on Sunday before worship services.

CHRISTMAS WREATH FUNDRAISER

Support the **Friends in Faith Preschool**

while decorating your front door for the holiday season.



Order for beautiful, fresh, local standard size door wreaths with red bows.

Each wreath is \$27.00

25% of the proceeds will go towards supporting the preschool.



Order by **November 19th** with payment mailed to:

Friends in Faith 603 Tulip St Liverpool, NY 13088 or dropped off at church office

If you have any questions, please contact Tracie Folley at (315) 457-4090

*make checks out to: **Friends in Faith Preschool**

Wreaths will be available for pick-up after November 24th
at LFPC during office hours (Mon-Fri 9-1pm) or Sunday Nov 30

Thank you for your support!

Friends in Faith Wreath Order

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Number of wreaths ordered: _____

Please make checks payable to: **Friends in Faith**

*may place order form along with payment in offering basket

Planning Ahead November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 10:15 <i>Worship</i> <i>Youth Faith</i> <i>classes</i> 11:30 <i>Birthday Sunday</i> 11:30 <i>Soup Potluck</i>	10 Session/ Deacons meetings	11	12 6:30 <i>BFF</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	13 12:30 <i>Elsie O'Neil</i> 7:00 <i>Choir</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	14	15
16 10:15 <i>WE Worship</i>	17 6:30 <i>Craft & Chat</i> 6:30 <i>CNY Photo</i>	18 6:30 <i>Fathers/Brothers/ Sons</i>	19 7:00 <i>Choir</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	20 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	21 6:00 <i>Family Tapestry</i>	22
23 10:15 <i>Worship</i> <i>Youth Faith</i> <i>classes</i> 11:30 <i>Celebration Sunday</i>	24 Newsletter articles due	25 6:30 <i>Fellowship Committee meeting</i> 7:00 <i>Choir</i>	26 6:30 <i>BFF</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	27 Thanksgiving Office Closed	28 Office Closed	29