

**Order of Worship for February 1, 2026, 10:15**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
*Liverpool First Presbyterian Church*  
*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

We are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning no matter where we have gathered. Those at home may join us in celebrating with the bread and juice available to you.
---

Welcome & Congregational Life

Prelude

Steve Uhl

Call to Worship

*1 Corinthians 1:18*

Elder Leigh Anne Herd

In a world that rewards selfishness,  
**it is wise to hoard resources,  
foolish to share.**

In a world built on violence,  
**it is wise to be suspicious,  
foolish to risk compassion.**

But God's wisdom is not the wisdom of  
the world:

**Greed will not serve us in heaven.  
Self-preservation will not save us  
in the end**

**So, we will choose to be foolish; we  
will choose the way of love.**

Let us worship God.

Prayer of Invocation

*Micah 6:8*

Elder Leigh Anne Herd

Mysterious God, you whose wisdom  
baffles kings, make us foolhardy enough  
to dare to live in the peace of Christ, here  
and now. Grant us the audacity to seek  
justice. Give us courage to risk kindness

and love recklessly so that, in Jesus'  
footsteps, and through your Spirit's  
surprising blessings, we can journey  
humbly with you all our days. Amen.

\*Hymn

"Arise, Your Light Is Come"

see below

*ushers will gather prayer cards and offerings, please use the QR code below as a giving option*

Prayer of Humility

Elder Leigh Anne Herd

God has told us what is good, what is required: Do justice. Love kindness. Walk humbly  
with God. These commands are so simple, but not easy. With that knowledge, we confess.

**Merciful God, we fail to do what is  
right. Instead, we pursue evil and  
do not speak the truth. Even when  
we try our best to be faithful, still  
we turn away from you. Forgive us,**

**accept us, and redeem us, that we  
may seek to do what you call good.**

*(pause for silent prayer)*

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.  
Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Rev. Garrett Anderson

\*Response

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymn 623

\*Hymn

“What Gift Can We Bring That Will Please You, O God?”

see below

Scripture

Micah 6:1-8, Matthew 5:1-3

Listen to what the LORD says: “Stand up, plead my case before the mountains; let the hills hear what you have to say. Hear, you mountains, the LORD’S accusation; listen, you everlasting foundations of the earth. For the LORD has a case against his people; he is lodging a charge against Israel. My people, what have I done to you? How have I burdened you? Answer me. I brought you up out of Egypt and redeemed you from the land of slavery. I sent Moses to lead you, Aaron and Miriam also.” . . .

With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year

old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of olive oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. He said: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Message

“Poor in Spirit”

Rev. Garrett Anderson

Anthem

“Now the Table is Set”

Choir

*Jay Althouse*

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*We serve non-alcoholic grape juice; gluten free crackers are available*

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Blessing & Response

“Amen, Amen, Amen”

Postlude

Steve Uhl

+++++



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

## Arise, Your Light Is Come!

635

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey; show  
2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door; pro -  
3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born, bind  
4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song! Rise

forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.  
up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
up like ea - gles on the wing, God's power will make us strong.

# WHAT GIFT CAN WE BRING THAT WILL PLEASE YOU, O GOD?

Chris Shelton

FOUNDATION  
Funk's Genuine Church Music, 1832

Words Copyright © 2021 GIA Publications, Inc. • All rights reserved

Score

## Holy

Mass of Christ the Savior

Dan Schutte

**Introduction**

Score

## Acclamation

Mass of Christ the Savior

Dan Schutte

**Introduction**



When we eat this — Bread and drink this —  
Cup we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, — un til you come a - gain.



Please join us downstairs for coffee and conversation after worship.  
Sponsored by the Fellowship Committee



The Mission and Social Justice Committee invites you to bring a can of ready-to-serve soup and to vote for your AFC or NFC teams by placing your soup donations on the Souper Bowl table set-up in Fellowship Hall by **Sunday, February 8**. Soup collected will be donated to **Mary & Joseph's Pantry at Epiphany Parish** on Tulip Street.

The Mission Committee will be providing **Tailgate Snacks** in Fellowship Hall following worship on **Souper Bowl Sunday**.

If you have any questions, please contact Liz Wavle-Brown at [ewavlebrown@proton.me](mailto:ewavlebrown@proton.me) Together we can tackle food insecurity and help neighbors in need in our community! **Go LFPC!**



**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
**February 8, 2026**  
11:30 am

Printed copies of the report will be available February 1, 2026



### “Jump for Jesus”

Who: Friends in Faith students.

What: A fundraiser for Friends in Faith.

When: February 12, 2026

How can you help: Sponsor a preschooler by signing up and pledging an amount for their participation in the event. You can pledge a dollar amount per jump or a flat rate. Please make all checks to **Friends in Faith** as we have a separate bank account from the church. We appreciate your support!



**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual LFPC Chili Cook-Off**  
**February 22, 2026**  
**11:30 am**

- Sign up in the sanctuary to enter the Chili Cook-Off
- Bring your entry chili to the kitchen prior to Worship
- Your chili will then be sampled by everyone
- Vote on your favorite for the winner of the Chili Cook-off!

*Brought to you by LFPC Fellowship Committee*

## MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH

<p><b>Fruit Cups (any brand &amp; variety)</b>  <b>Donations go to Liverpool Elementary Schools</b>          Those wishing to make monetary donations to support the program can write a check to “Blessings in a Backpack” and write “<b>Liverpool NY Chapter 1854</b>” on the memo line. Checks should be sent to Blessings in a Backpack Liverpool NY Chapter 1854, PO Box 52, Liverpool, NY 13088</p>	<p align="center"><b>Isaiah’s Table Little Pantry</b></p> <p align="center"><u>Needs include:</u>          Ready to eat items          (pop-top cans or pouches          Cereal, Pasta, Cereal bars,          Bar soap, Deodorant,          Hand sanitizer, Feminine hygiene products, nail clippers, or a monetary donation made out to:  <b>Isaiah’s Table</b></p>	<p align="center"><u>Hygiene Items:</u>          Soap, Shampoo &amp; conditioner, childrens toothbrushes, toothpaste, anti-perspirant/deodorant, feminine pads, shaving cream  <u>Cleaning/Paper products:</u>          All purpose cleaner, dishwashing liquid, paper towels, tall kitchen trash bags, laundry detergent (no pods), sponges ideally with scrubby side.</p>
---	--	---

Any questions, contact the church office (315) 457-3161 or [office@liverpoolfirstpres.org](mailto:office@liverpoolfirstpres.org)  
 Donations can be dropped off in the foyer during office hours and on Sundays before worship service

\*\*\*\*\*

### Planning Ahead February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Communion 1</b> <b>10:15</b> <i>Worship</i>	<b>2</b> <b>6:00</b> <i>Family Tapestry</i> <b>6:30</b> <i>Craft &amp; Chat</i>	<b>3</b> <b>6:30</b> <i>Fathers/Brothers/Sons</i>	<b>4</b> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i>	<b>5</b> <b>1:30</b> <i>Manuscript</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Choir</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i>	<b>6</b> <b>6:00</b> <i>Family Tapestry</i>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>10:15</b> <i>Worship</i> <i>Youth Faith classes</i> <b>11:30</b> <i>Annual meeting</i> <b>11:45</b> <i>Birthday Sunday</i>	<b>9</b> <b>Session/Deacons meeting</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>6:30</b> <i>BFF</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i>	<b>12</b> <b>12:30</b> <i>Elsie O'Neill</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Choir</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>9:00</b> <i>CNY Knitting Guild</i>