

**Order of Worship for March 8, 2026, 10:15**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

*Liverpool First Presbyterian Church*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

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Welcome & Congregational Life

Prelude

“If Ye Love Me”

Choir

Call to Worship

*from Psalm 95*

Elder Tom Ogden

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**We have come to give thanks and to sing songs of praise!**

We are the people of God’s pasture; we trust that God will bring us through the wilderness.

**We seek God’s living water and praise God’s holy name!**

Prayer of Invocation

Elder Tom Ogden

God of living water, amid all that parches our souls and drains our hearts of joy, we pray for refreshment and renewal. Fill us with your Holy Spirit until our delight overflows into praise and we cannot

contain ourselves, running to tell your good news, alive with the presence of Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Hymn 2

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

Prayer of Humility

Elder Tom Ogden

God does not wait for us to be righteous, or pure, or perfect. Christ died for us while we were still sinners. We do not have to hide our sin from God, but can face it with Jesus, who heals us, teaches us, and leads us to new life.

**Jesus, friend of all, once again, we come to you knowing our words have stung, our actions have harmed, and our indifference has let evil have its day. Our hearts yearn for you, our souls thirst for you, yet we do not imitate you in our lives. We scorn those who are**

**different from us, and relish our own comfort. Once again, forgive us, O God. Give us your living water, that we might tell the world all you have done for us.**

*(pause for silent prayer)*

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

\*Response

**Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;  
Incline Thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace.**

Hymn 614

Words of Assurance

Rev. Garrett Anderson

# Sacrament of Baptism for Eleanor Jane Zhang

Anthem

“Jesus is My Lord”

Choir

Time for Young Disciples

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.**

Scripture

John 4:21-26

Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as

these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

Message

“Holy Water”

Rev. Garrett Anderson

\*Hymn

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

see below

Blessing & Response

“Lord, Let Us Now Depart in Peace”

Hymn 609

Postlude

Steve Uhl

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## 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.

1. rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.  
 2. soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
 3. life I'll walk till he trav - 'ling days are done.

1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, 'Come un - to me - and  
 2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, 'Be - hold, I free - ly  
 3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, 'I am this dark - world's

1. on my breast, Je - sus, as I was, wea -  
 2. drink, and live, came to Je - sus, and I drank of  
 3. day be bright, looked to Je - sus, and I found in

1. I and worn and sad, I found in him a  
 2. that life - giv - ing stream, my thirst was quenched, my  
 3. him my star, my sun, and in that light

**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 (*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

### Join a Group!

Craft & Chat – 6:30pm  
 Fathers • Brothers • Sons – 6:30pm  
 Becoming Faithful Followers (BFF) – 6:30pm  
 Manuscript Study – 1:15pm  
 Choir – 7:00pm  
 Elsie O'Neil Circle – 12:30pm

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays  
 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays  
 Thursdays  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

\*contact church office ([office@liverpoolfirstpres.org](mailto:office@liverpoolfirstpres.org)) for more information



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



### One Great Hour of Sharing

Take your fish bank today and start collecting your change! Link to more information:  
<https://pcusa.org/special-offerings/one-great-hour-sharing>

\*fish banks will be collected on March 29<sup>th</sup>



### Breakfast at Isaiah's Table

March 14

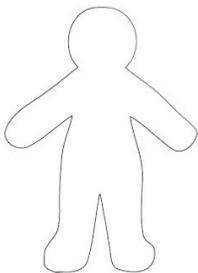
Our church is providing breakfast for attendees of Isaiah's Table on March 14<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for donations of bananas, muffins and 12 oz juice bottles. A sign-up sheet is posted in the back of the church sanctuary. We ask that donations be brought in between March 8 and March 13 and left in the church office or kitchen. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Karen Fay at [fimtay@gmail.com](mailto:fimtay@gmail.com).

Thank you in advance for your support!



**Join the Deacons**  
**For some trivia fun and snacks!**  
**March 15, 2026 after worship!**

### Paper Doll Campaign



Across the country, ICE is ripping children away from their communities and detaining them alongside their parents. In March of 2025, the administration reopened the South Texas Family Residential Center (also known as "Killey") in rural Dilley, TX. This is the center where 5-year-old Liam Ramos was detained after ICE agents took him and his father from their home in Minnesota 1,200 miles away. Conditions in Dilley are horrific. Families lack access to clean drinking water, nutritious food, and basic medical care, all posing serious health risks. Children's chronic medical conditions, acute illnesses, and injuries are being overlooked or ignored. Studies have consistently shown that placing children in detention, under any conditions, is traumatic and creates long-lasting harm, such as developmental delays, anxiety, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, and suicidal thoughts.

The LFPC Mission and Social Justice committee has joined churches in our presbytery in a national Paper Doll Campaign to address these inhumane conditions for children and families. During the Fellowship Hour, paper dolls will be available for you to write a message on of your hope for children in our country, your desire for family detainment to end, or the future you would like to see for children in our country, your desire for family detainment to end, or the future you would like to see for children. The paper dolls will be collected on March 22 and sent to our congressional representative.



**Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast  
March 29th after worship**

Egg hunt for children 13 yrs old and younger  
Suggested donation: \$5 per person will support Isaiah's Table

Hosted by the Fellowship Committee and the Deacons

**MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH – March 2026**

<p>LIVERPOOL, NEW YORK <b>BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK</b> <i>Who will feed the kids this weekend?</i></p>	<p><b>Isaiah's Table Little Pantry</b></p>	<p>InterFaith works <i>Affirm Dignity</i></p>
<p><b>Oatmeal (individual packets)</b> <b>Donations go to Liverpool Elementary Schools</b> Monetary donations, write a check to "Blessings in a Backpack" and write "<b>Liverpool NY Chapter 1854</b>" on the memo line. Send to Blessings in a Backpack Liverpool NY Chapter 1854, PO Box 52, Liverpool, NY 13088</p>	<p>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><u>Baby Items:</u> Diapers (all sizes needed, esp. size 6) Baby wipes</p>

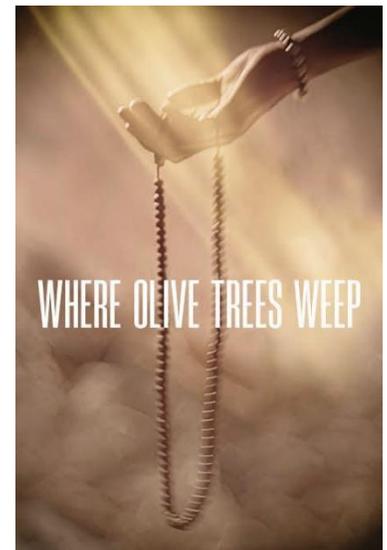
Any questions, contact the church office (315) 457-3161 or [office@liverpoolfirstpres.org](mailto:office@liverpoolfirstpres.org)  
Donations can be dropped off in the foyer during office hours and on Sundays before worship service

**The Cayuga-Syracuse Presbytery's Social Justice Committee**  
invites you to a viewing of

***"Where Olive Trees Weep"***

a film that depicts the struggles and resilience of the Palestinian people under Israeli occupation

When: Sunday, March 22,  
4:00 p.m. Film  
6:00 p.m. Light supper with Q&A  
Where: Liverpool First Presbyterian Church  
603 Tulip Street  
Liverpool, NY 13088



To help us to prepare accordingly, please RSVP to Lisa at LFPC (315) 457-3161 by March 16th

## Planning Ahead March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>8</b> <b>10:15</b> <i>Worship</i> <i>Youth Faith classes</i> <b>11:30</b> <i>Birthday Sunday</i> <b>12</b> <i>Missions meeting</i>	<b>9</b> <b>Session/ Deacons meetings</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'Neil</i> <b>5:00l</b> <i>FIF Art Show</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Choir</i>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>9:00</b> <i>CNY Knitting Guild</i>
<b>15</b> <b>10:15</b> <i>Worship</i> <b>11:30</b> <i>Trivia games</i>	<b>16</b> <b>6:30</b> <i>Craft &amp; Chat</i> <b>6:30</b> <i>CNY Photo</i>	<b>17</b> <b>6:30</b> <i>Fathers/Brothers /Sons</i>	<b>18</b> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i>	<b>19</b> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Choir</i>	<b>20</b> <b>6:00</b> <i>Family Tapestry</i>	<b>21</b> <b>10:00</b> <i>Northern Comfort</i>
<b>22</b> <b>10:15</b> <i>Worship</i> <i>Youth Faith classes</i> <b>4:00</b> <i>Where Olive Trees Weep movie &amp; dinner</i>	<b>23</b> <b>Newsletter articles due</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>6:30</b> <i>BFF</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i>	<b>26</b> <b>1:30</b> <i>Manuscript</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Al-Anon</i> <b>7:00</b> <i>Choir</i>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>

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### It's time to Order Spring Flowers



**Order Spring Flowers to decorate our sanctuary for Easter,**

place this form in the offering plate along with the payment.

The cost is **\$15.00 per plant** Orders must be placed by **3/29**

Please don't take your flowers home until after the Easter service on **4/5**



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Total ordered: Lilly \_\_\_\_\_ Hyacinth \_\_\_\_\_ Tulip \_\_\_\_\_ Daffodil \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of:

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In Honor of:

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