

Order of Worship for May 24, 2026, 10:15
Day of Pentecost
Liverpool First Presbyterian Church
**Please rise in body or spirit*

Welcome & Congregational Life

Prelude

Steve Uhl

Call to Worship

from Psalm 104

Elder Bill Newell

God sent forth the Spirit, and all creation rejoiced. God's breath filled the skies, the sea, the land, and all creatures.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever!

Let us sing to the Lord as long as we have breath.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Invocation

Elder Bill Newell

God of all creation, we come at last to be united in the Spirit, your gleaming fire among us, setting our hearts ablaze. We praise you with our whole being. Live in us, that we may love with your love,

Speak with your truth, and serve with your mercy. Keep us faithful until the very end, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

"There's a Spirit in the Air"

see below

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

Prayer of Humility

Elder Bill Newell

God pours out the Spirit upon us, but we do not always welcome God's gifts. Let us confess our doubts and fears, that we might find forgiveness and newness of life.

Infinite God, you come to us in many colors, shapes, and languages. You speak to each of us in the way we can understand. You reach out to us and meet us where we are. But we are quick to limit you to what we can understand and what we prefer. Forgive us, and set your Spirit loose among us.

Challenge us, surprise us, and open us to your power, that we might know you and your many children more deeply. Grant us the Spirit to follow you more faithfully, and love more fully.

(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

Anthem "Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones" 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 Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our

own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

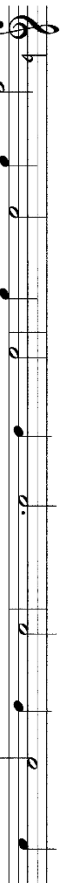
Message "Diversity" Rev. Garrett Anderson

*Hymn "Send Down the Fire" see below

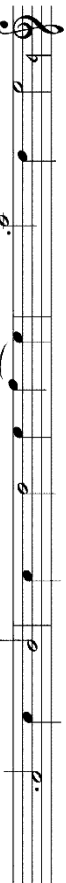
Blessing & Response "Spirit of the Living God" #247

Postlude Steve Uhl

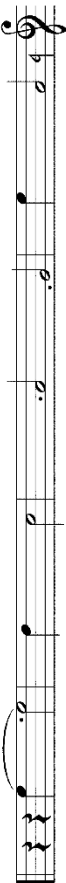
There's a Spirit in the Air



1. There's a Spir - it in the air, Tell - ing Chris - tians
 2. Lose your shy - ness, find your tongue; Tell the world what
 3. When be - liev - ers break the bread, When a hun - gry
 4. Still his Spir - it leads the fight, See - ing wrong and
 5. When a stran - ger's not a - lone, Where the home - less



ev - 'ry - where, "Praise the love that Christ re - vealed,
 God has done: God in Christ has come to stay,
 child is fed: Praise the love that Christ re - vealed,
 set - ting right: God in Christ has come to stay,
 find a home, Praise the love that Christ re - vealed,



Liv - ing, work - ing in our world."
 We can see his pow'r to - day,
 Liv - ing, work - ing in our world,
 We can see his pow'r to - day,
 Liv - ing, work - ing in our world.

6. May his Spirit fill our praise,
 Guide our thoughts and change our ways.
 God in Christ has come to stay,
 We can see his pow'r today.

7. There's a Spirit in the air,
 Calling people ev'rywhere;
 Praise the love that Christ revealed;
 Living, working in our world.

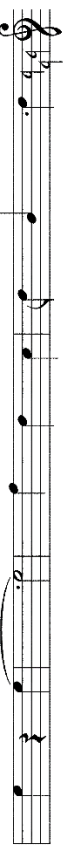
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Send Down the Fire

Refrain



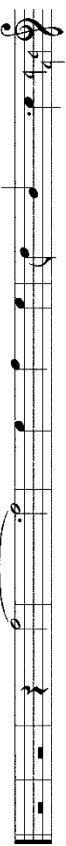
Send down the fire of your jus - tice,



Send down the rains of your love; Come,

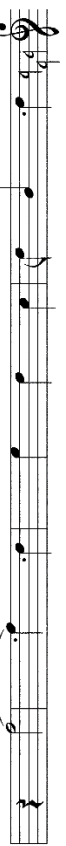


send down the Spir - it, breathe life in your peo - ple, and



we shall be peo - ple of God.

Verses

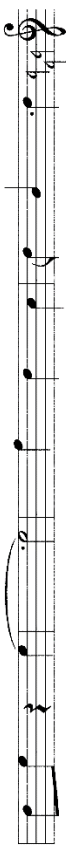


1. Call us to be your com - pas - sion,

2. Call us to learn of your mer - cy,

3. Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion,

4. Call us to wit - ness your King - dom,



Teach us the song of your love; Give us

Teach us the way of your peace; Give us

Teach us the fire of your truth; Give us

Give us the pres - ence of Christ; May your



hearts that sing, Give us deeds that ring, Make us

hearts that feel, Give us hands that heal, Make us

right - eous souls, "Till your jus - tice rolls, Make us

ho - ly light Keep us shin - ing bright, Ev - er



ring walk with the song of your love. peace.

burn in the way of your truth.

shine with the fire of your Christ.

D.C.

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The geraniums in the sanctuary today are in honor of all service members



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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'S
SCHEDULE**

Pastor Garrett is available in-person at the church Mon, Tue and Wed 9:30 – 12:30 or by appointment

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, 1st & 4th Thursdays
 Choir – 7:00pm
 Elsie O'Neil Circle – 12:30pm

1st & 3rd Mondays
 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
 2nd & 4th Wednesdays
 resumes in the fall
 Thursdays
 2nd 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



The Liverpool Community Chorus

June 6, 2026

7:00 PM

doors open at 6:30

Liverpool High School Auditorium

Adults - \$12 ~ Seniors & Students - &10 ~ 5 & under – free

Karen Bloom, Coleen Clapper, Betsy Payer and Bonnie Santos



The choir will be on Summer Hiatus starting June 21. Anyone interested in sharing a solo or ensemble piece during the summer worship, please see Steve Uhl.

MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH – May 2026



**Pudding cups (any brand/variety)
Donations go to Liverpool
Elementary Schools**

Monetary donations 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**

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:
Isaiah’s Table



Baby Items:
Diapers (all sizes needed,
esp. size 6)
Baby wipes

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 Sundays before worship service

**Planning Ahead
May/June 2026**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24 10:15 Worship 11:45 Adult Class	25 Office Closed	26 Newsletter articles due	27 6:30 BFF 7:00 Al-Anon	28 7:00 Choir 7:00 Al-Anon	29	30
31 10:15 Worship Youth Faith classes 11:45 Adult Class	June 1 6:00 Family Tapestry 6:30 Craft & Chat	2 6:30 Fathers/Brothers/Sons	3 7:00 Al-Anon	4 7:00 Choir 7:00 Al-Anon	5 6:00 Family Tapestry	6