

Order of Worship for October 18, 2026, 10:15
21st Sunday after Pentecost
Liverpool First Presbyterian Church
**Please rise in body or spirit*

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Welcome & Congregational Life

Prelude

Steve Uhl

a candle is lit reminding us that Christ is present

Call to Worship

Elder Bill Newell

In this place,
**friends and strangers meet,
the broken are mended,
and the weary welcomed.**
In this moment,
**the ordinary becomes miraculous,
and life is on pause.**
This is God's time.

In this sanctuary,
**God's goodness is revealed.
Our doors open with kindness.
Our lives join together.**

Prayer of Invocation

Elder Bill Newell

God of goodness, thank you for choosing
us so that we might let everyone else
know that they too are chosen. Teach us
your good news, that we might be

brought to life: every blessing we receive
and every kindness we encounter is your
Spirit whispering grace. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Hymn 292

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

Prayer of Humility

Elder Bill Newell

God has chosen us, but we frequently fail to choose God's will for our lives. Let us go
before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.

**God of justice and truth, you ask us
to give to you the things that are
yours. If we are honest, we know
we hold so much back. We have
promised you our obedience, but
we often fulfill our own desires
first. We have promised you our
worship, but we give our attention
to idols instead. We have promised
to do your work in the world, but**

**we put it last on the list of
priorities. Have mercy on us and
forgive us. Increase our generosity
that we might give freely, grateful
for all of the gifts you have given
us.**

(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

“Take My Hand 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

Philippians 1:1-14

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all God’s holy people in Christ Jesus at Philippi, together with the overseers and deacons:

²Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God every time I remember you.

⁴In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

⁷It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart and, whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God’s grace with me.

⁸God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

⁹And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, ¹⁰ so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

¹²Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. ¹³ As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ¹⁴ And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

Message

“Grace and Gratitude”

Rev. Garrett Anderson

*Hymn

“These Alone Are Enough”

see below

Blessing & Response

Amen, Amen, Amen.

Postlude

Steve Uhl



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THESE ALONE ARE ENOUGH

Dan Schutte

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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. Our "playground", in the back corner, is full of items to help children to attend worship with quiet play and art. 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 Thur 9:30 – 12:30
or by appointment

Join a Group!

Fathers • Brothers • Sons (Early Risers) – 8:00am
Craft & Chat – 6:30pm
Enneagram – 6:30pm
Becoming Faithful Followers (BFF) – 6:30pm
Manuscript Study – 1:15pm
Elsie O'Neil Circle – 12:30pm
Book Club – 1:30pm
Choir – 7:00pm

2nd Sunday
1st & 3rd Mondays
Tuesdays - 10/20 & 10/27
2nd & 4th Wednesdays
1st & 4th Thursdays
2nd Thursday
3rd Thursdays
Thursdays

*contact church office (office@liverpoolfirstpres.org) for more information

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, Tim Fay, Tracie Folley, Leigh Anne Herd (*clerk*), Linda Hook, Bill Newell, Pierre Nzuah, Tom Ogden, Liz Wavle-Brown

Deacon Board: Karen Bloom, Linda Breckheimer, Debbie Cangemi, Ruth Crissman, Carol Jerosse, Jessica Gorman, Brittany Holt, 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



Please join us downstairs for coffee and conversation after worship.
Sign up sheet to bring snacks is in Fellowship Hall.

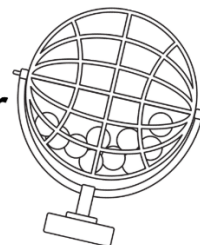
Hosted by the Fellowship Committee



Join the Deacons
November 1st, after worship for



drinks and snacks will be provided



TRUNK-r-TREAT is coming up Friday, October 23, from 6:00–8:00 pm, and we'd love to have you join in the fun! There are lots of ways to help - **host a trunk** or team up with friends; **donate candy or non-food items**; or, **lend a hand** wherever needed, welcome families, help with set-up and clean-up, or, guide cars and parking. **Sign-up sheets** are on the bulletin board at the rear of the sanctuary. Treat donations can be dropped off in Fellowship Hall by **Wednesday, October 21**. Come be part of a fun evening welcoming our neighbors. For more information, chat with Liz or Tracie.



Join fellowship committee for a cookie bake-off
October 25, 2026 following worship

Make your **BEST** cookie entry ,
bring it to fellowship hall before worship to be assigned a
number for you entry!



MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH – October 2026

 Pudding cups Fruit & Grain bars (NO NUTS) 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	 Feminine Hygiene Items
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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 October 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18 10:15 Worship Youth Faith classes	19 6:30 Craft & Chat 6:30 CNY Photo	20 6:30 Enneagram	21 7:00 Al-Anon	22 7:00 Al-Anon 7:00 Choir	23 6:00 Trunk or Treat	24
25 10:15 Worship 11:30 Cookie Rumble	26 Newsletter articles due	27 6:30 Enneagram	28 6:30 BFF 7:00 Al-Anon	29 7:00 Al-Anon 7:00 Choir	30 6:00 Family Tapestry	31

WANTED: Cooks, Bakers and Contributors



LFPC Mission Committee has offered to prepare a luncheon on Tuesday, November 3 for Interfaith volunteers who care and provide socialization for the homebound in the Syracuse community. There will be 65 hungry people for us to feed! Can you help cook, bake or contribute to salads? If so, please fill in the tear off for the collection plate or let Leigh Anne know!

_____ I can make a casserole for 12-18 people. **(10/18 need 2 more cooks)**

_____ I can bake a dessert or cookies for 18 people. **(10/18 we need 3 more bakers)**

_____ I can contribute lettuce and two other salad items for 24 people. **(10/18 we need 3 more people)**

_____ I can fill in where there is help needed with above.

Name: _____ Phone #: _____