

Order of Worship for October 25, 2026, 10:15
22nd 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 Tracie Folley

God is our dwelling place:
**God gathers us into community
with each other to love and work,
to support and heal.**

**with all people to bring justice and
hope, freedom and truth.**

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**God gathers us into community
with all creation to live in
harmony, to grow new gardens.**

Prayer of Invocation

Elder Tracie Folley

Almighty God, everything you have made
is good, and you have made everything.
Merciful Christ, resurrect our vision for
the world you see: death transformed
into life and hope born from despair.

Unifying Spirit, bind us together with all
the earth, that we might share grace and
forgiveness as one diverse human family.
Amen.

*Gathering Hymn

“Come and Find the Quiet Center”

see below

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

Prayer of Humility

Elder Tracie Folley

God watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish. We
have righteousness within us, but we also have wickedness. Therefore, let us confess.

**God of love, your commandments
are so simple: love God, love
neighbor, love self. Yet we cannot
always muster that love. Love for
you seems too abstract and distant.
Love for our neighbors seems too
impractical and draining. Love for
ourselves seems too impossible
and unimportant. But you are truly**

**the God of love; if there is anyone
who can help us love, it is you.
Shower us with your love so we
might have the greatest example,
and help us learn from you.**

(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

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

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

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him.

“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him,

“You shall love the Lord your God with

all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Message

“Three-Centered Love”

Rev. Garrett Anderson

*Hymn

“The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound”

see below

Blessing & Response

tune: “I’ll Fly Away”

We will rejoice with gladness. We will rejoice.

All our days we’ll sing to God in praise.

We will rejoice!

Postlude

Steve Uhl

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1 Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
2 Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,
3 In the Spirit it let us travel, open to each other's pain,

find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base,
let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:

clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see
making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,
there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,

all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.
raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith beyond gun.
in the Spirit it's living, scheming there is always room to spare!

WORDS: Shirley Erema Murray (1931-)
MUSIC: Arr. B. F. White (1800-1879), *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; arr. Ronald A. Nelson (1927-)
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The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound 347

1 The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone.
2 True faith will open up the door and step in - to the street.
3 True love will not sit idly by when justice is denied.
4 If what we have we freely share to meet our neighbor's need,

Where charity and love are found, there can the church be known.
True service will seek out the poor and ask to wash their feet.
True mercy hears the homeless cry and welcomes them in - side.
then we extend the Spirit - it's care through every self - less deed.

Words: Adam M. L. Tice, 1979-
Music: Negro spiritual; arr. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866-1949
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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 Garrett is available in-person at the church Mon, Tue and Thur
9:30 – 12:30 or by appointment

Pastor: Rev. Garrett Anderson
Treasurer: Tom Ogden
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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 Nzuh, Tom Ogden, Liz Wavle-Brown

Deacon Board: Karen Bloom, Linda Breckheimer, Debbie Cangemi, Ruth Crissman, Carol Jerose, 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 a Group!

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

2nd Sunday
1st & 3rd Mondays
Tuesdays
2nd & 4th Wednesdays
1st & 4th Thursdays
2nd Thursday
3rd Thursdays
Thursdays

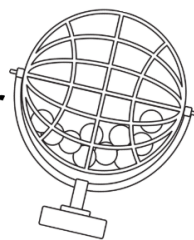
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Join the Deacons
November 1st, after worship for



drinks and snacks will be provided



Prayer Vigil

Prayer vigil
Sunday, November 1, 2026
5:00 pm

We gather in prayer for our community, our nation,
and our world, seeking God's guidance and grace.

Wisdom and
Discernment

Peace and
Community

Justice and
Compassion

Hope and
Faithfulness

Join in person or by livestream on You Tube
All are welcome



HUNGER KNOWS NO TIME

November 12 at 7 PM

St Paul's Lutheran Church
210 Hazel Street

Musical Concert to benefit
Blessings in a Backpack

Free will offering & food donations encouraged
\$10,000 goal for the night

stpaulsliverpool.org



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	LFPC Little Church Prayer Box Ready to eat items (pop-top cans or pouches Cereal, Pasta, Cereal bars, Bar soap, Hand sanitizer, The Message bibles
InterFaith Works Monetary donations can be sent to: 1010 James Street, Syracuse, NY 13203		

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/November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 10:15 <i>Worship</i> 11:30 <i>Cookie Crumble</i> <i>Rumble</i>	26 Newsletter articles due	27 6:30 <i>Enneagram</i>	28 6:30 <i>BFF</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	29 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i> 7:00 <i>Choir</i>	30 6:00 <i>Family</i> <i>Tapestry</i>	31
Nov 1 Communion 10:15 <i>Worship</i> 11:45 <i>Bingo</i> 5:00 <i>Prayer Vigil</i>	2 6:00 <i>Family</i> <i>Tapestry</i> 6:30 <i>Craft & Chat</i>	3	4 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	5 1:30 <i>Manuscript</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i> 7:00 <i>Choir</i>	6 6:00 <i>Family</i> <i>Tapestry</i>	7
8 <i>FBS Early Risers</i> 10:15 <i>Worship</i> <i>Youth Faith classes</i> 11:30 <i>Birthday Sunday</i>	9 Session/Deacons meetings	10	11 6:30 <i>BFF</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	12 12:30 <i>Elsie O'Neill</i> 2:00 <i>BIB Board</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i> 7:00 <i>Choir</i>	13	14 9:00-12:00 <i>CNY Knitting Guild</i>
15 10:15 <i>WE Worship</i>	16 6:30 <i>CNY Photo</i> 6:30 <i>Craft & Chat</i>	17	18 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i>	19 1:30 <i>Book Club</i> 7:00 <i>Al-Anon</i> 7:00 <i>Choir</i>	20 6:30 <i>Family</i> <i>Tapestry</i> Office Closed	21