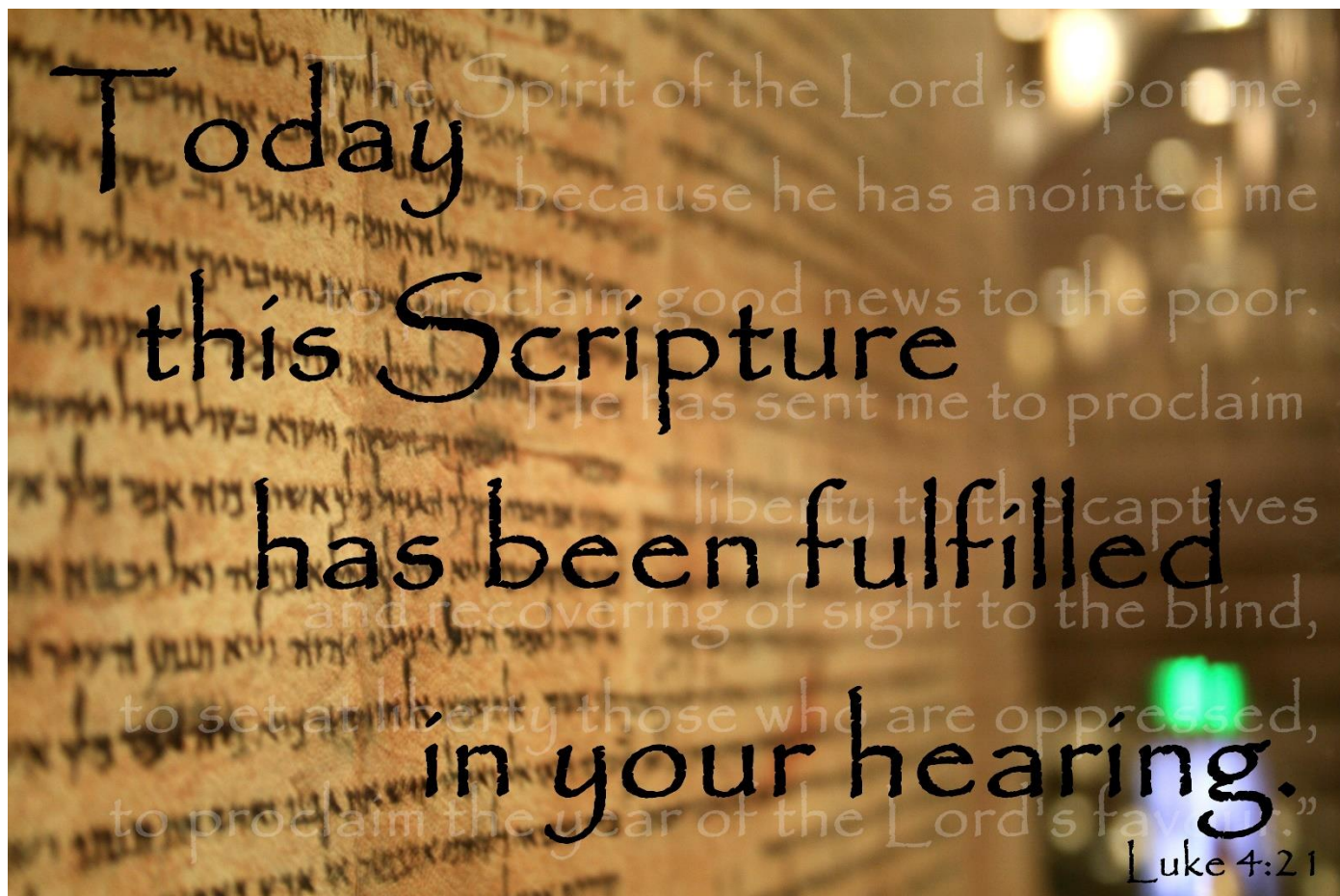


**Community Congregational Church of Chula Vista
United Church of Christ**



Third Sunday After Epiphany

**Worship On-Line
Sunday, January 23, 2022**

Welcome & Prayer

Rev. Liz Aguilar

Call To Worship: (from Psalm 27)

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

People: **The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

Leader: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; I will be confident.

People: **One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.**

All: **I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord.**

Hymn of Praise: (NCH) #451

“Be Now My Vision”

Verse 1:

Be now my vision,
O God of my heart;
nothing surpasses the love you impart
You my best thought, by day or by
night, waking or sleeping,
your presence my light.

Verse 2:

Be now my wisdom,
and be my true word;
ever within me,
my soul is assured;
Mother and Father,
you are both to me,
now and forever your child I will be.

Prayer of Invocation:

Prayer of Invocation: Gracious God who summons us from around the city and country we thank you that in Jesus your Word was fulfilled. As we reflect on the beginning of Jesus's ministry speak to us, Holy Spirit. Instruct us on how we too can further Christ's mission, to bring good news to the poor, and work for peace with justice. Banish away fear and doubt and, instead, fill us with your joy and peace. This we pray in Jesus's name. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Luke 4: 14-21 (New Revised Version)

The Beginning of the Galilean Ministry

¹⁴ Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

The Rejection of Jesus at Nazareth

¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Sermon:

Fulfilled Scripture

Closing Hymn: (RED) #486

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

Verse 1:

Open my eyes,
that I may see Glimpses of truth
You have for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unlock and set me free.
Silently now I wait for You,
Ready, my God,
Your will to do;
Open my eyes, Illumine me, Spirit divine!

Verse 2:

Open my ears,
that I may hear Voices of truth so sharp and clear;
And while the message sounds in my ear,
Everything else will disappear.
Silently now I wait for You,
Ready, my God,
Your will to do;
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Benediction:

Pastor Liz

Postlude:

Lionel Jasmin



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