# Sunday January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

## Call to Worship

-from 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

As followers of Christ, we are many parts, but we are one Body.

No matter who we are or where we come from, we are baptized by one Spirit.

Every part of the body is important; everyone matters here.

God has placed each part of the Body of Christ just where we belong.

So no one can say to another, "I don't need you."

In this body, we share in our mutual concern for one another.

If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it.

If one part gets the glory, all the parts celebrate with it.

Each of us brings a unique gift to this body.

We are the body of Christ, and part of each other.

**Anthem** 

"Hear My Cry, O God" Solo by Ethan Manlove

-Cesar Franck

Hear my cry, O God, attend unto my prayer;
From the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee,
When my heart is overwhelm'd, lead me to the Rock
that is higher than I, that is higher than I.
For Thou has been a shelter for me and a strong tower,
a strong tower from the enemy.
When I cry unto God then shall my enemies turn back;
this I know, for God is for me.
In God will I praise His word, In God I have put my trust,
In God will I praise His word.
Let my mouth be fill'd with praise,
and with Thy honor all the day. Amen.

# **Gospel Reading**

Luke 4:14-21

Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news about him spread throughout the whole countryside. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been raised. On the Sabbath he went to the synagogue as he normally did and stood up to read. 17 The synagogue assistant gave him the scroll from the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me. He has sent me to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the prisoners, and recovery of sight to the blind, to liberate the oppressed, and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the synagogue assistant, and sat down. Every eye in the synagogue was fixed on him. He began to explain to them, "Today, this scripture has been fulfilled just as you heard it."

## **Sermon** The Powers of Ten

# **Hymn** Arise, Your Light Is Come NCH 164

- 1. Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey; show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.
- 2. Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door; Proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.
- 3. Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born, bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.
- 4. Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

## Prayers; 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# Offering Invitation

### **Benediction**

This is our church.

We make it what it is.

Others will feel welcome

if I am welcoming.

It will do great work

if I work.

It will exemplify a life of abundant generosity

If I give generously of my time, talents, and treasure.

It will be a rallying place for social justice and peace

If I advocate for marginalized communities and practice peace in every setting of my life.

Now we go out to participate in the reconciling ministry of Jesus as an inclusive, justice-seeking community,

And I dedicate myself to being who I want our church to be. Amen.

### **Postlude**