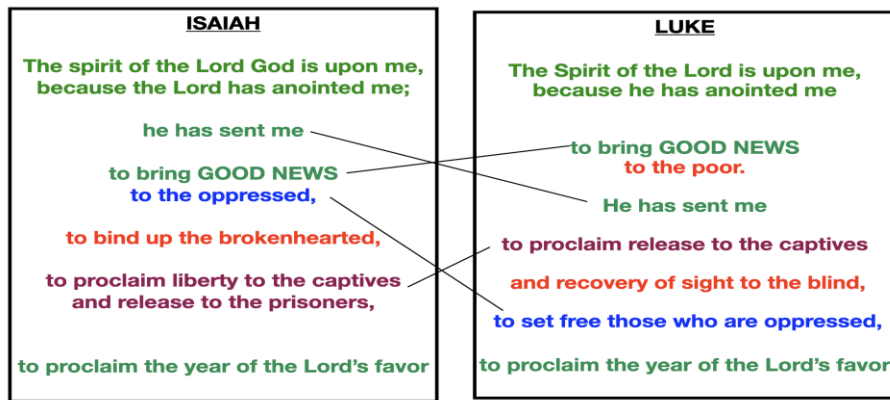


in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naam the Syrian.”

28 When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage.

29 They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. 30 But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

- **Sermon: ALL ARE WELCOME!** (*terms & conditions apply. void where prohibited. not available in all locations. limited time offer. results may vary. does not ship to Alaska.*)



- Hymn # 712 *The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy*

- Offering

- Doxology

- Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

- "How is it with your soul?"



- Hymn # 715 *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*
(vs. 1, 2 & 5)

- Benediction Choir: *God be With You Till We Meet Again*
Phil Schnering, guitar

- Postlude *Lift High the Cross* Orr



The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor"

Isaiah 61

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Presbyterian Church
Worship January 19, 2025
Welcome!

- **Prelude** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* Manz



- **Welcome, Announcements, and Invitations**

- **Handbells Introit:** *'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime*
Arr. By Cathy Moglebust

- **Call to Worship** (from Isaiah 61 and Luke 4) Jim Powell, Liturgist

Leader: The Spirit of the Lord is upon us!

All: God has anointed us to bring good news to the poor,

Leader: To proclaim freedom for the prisoners, and recovery of sight for the blind,

All: to set the oppressed free.

Leader: Let us worship the God of justice and peace!

All: Let us worship God, together!

- **Hymn # 670** *Rise Up, O Saints of God!*

- **Time for Reconciliation**

Leader: God, you bring justice to the oppressed and give bread to the hungry. You free the prisoner and restore sight to the blind.

All: Forgive us when we do not follow you.

Leader: You support the downtrodden and protect the stranger. You block evildoers and help orphans and widows.

All: Forgive us when we do not follow you.

Leader: You condemn those who seek their own interests, controlling and harming others. You bring about justice and true peace among people.

All: God, forgive us when we do not follow you.

Grant us your grace.

Embolden us, so that as your people, we may stand where you stand.

Leader: We pause for a moment of silence, to privately confess our sins to God, and to forgive those who have sinned against us.

Moment of Silent Confession

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ all is forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

- **Response: Gloria Patri**

Glorify be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be

World without end, amen, amen.

- **Passing of the peace**

- **Choir Anthem** *All Because of Him* by Shawna Edwards
By Shawna Edwards
Nina Geist, viola

- **Kids' Time**

- **Celebrate Baptisms!**

1. Nyakhan Bol Bilieu - Birthday 03-03 2008
2. Mieri Chuol Diet - Birthday 06-29-2009
3. Miracle Eliana Mahamuli - January 10th 2024
4. Mother: Gatwech chuols dit - 6/01/1989

- **Scripture Reading: Luke 4:14-30**

Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding region. 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 set free those who are oppressed,

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.” 22 All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is this not Joseph’s son?”

23 He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’ ” 24 And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown. 25 But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when he was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine all over the land, 26 yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. 27 There were also many with a skin disease in Israel

All Because of Him by Shawna Edwards
Nina Geist, viola

No other star gave more light before. No lullaby was so sweet.
No other corner so plain and poor ever sheltered a king.
No other night is remembered more, with verses written and
sung.
No other Babe ever born on earth would change everything for
us.

Now there is light for the darkness and healing for the pain.
Wrongs will be righted and tears wiped away.
There is strength for the battle and love that never dims.
Hope for a better world, all because of Him.

He left His throne for a pauper's bed, traded His crown for a
cross.
He lived to comfort, to heal and bless out of love for us.
We'll always have one more song to sing, and stories we tell
again.
About that night in Bethlehem and every night since then.

Now there is light for the darkness and healing for the pain.
Wrongs will be righted and tears wiped away.
There is strength for the battle and love that never dims.
Hope for a better world all because of him. All because of Him.