

WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

January 27, 2019

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8:2–4a, 5–6, 8–10 † 1 Corinthians 12:12–30 † Luke 1:1–4; 4:14–21

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This Sunday's gospel offers another dimension of our Lord in synagogue teaching—this time not by parable but by reading from a scroll of scripture from the prophet Isaiah presaging His arrival, purpose on earth, death, and resurrection. Imagine your place in that situation announcing your arrival into the world. Some might exclaim, "That's about me!"

On one hand, it takes much humility—not restraint—by our Lord to proclaim aloud His greatness, divinity, resurrection and redemption for us. On the other hand, He is also gravely aware of the attendant duty to fulfill that proclamation. The scripture confirms in one moment how much God loves us by sending His Son.

Remember and rejoice why Jesus came—to bring the Good News of healing and restoration of our humanity. God bless.