

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42:1–9

<sup>1</sup> Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

<sup>2</sup> He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;

<sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.

<sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

<sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

<sup>6</sup> "I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations,

<sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

<sup>8</sup> I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.

<sup>9</sup> Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them."

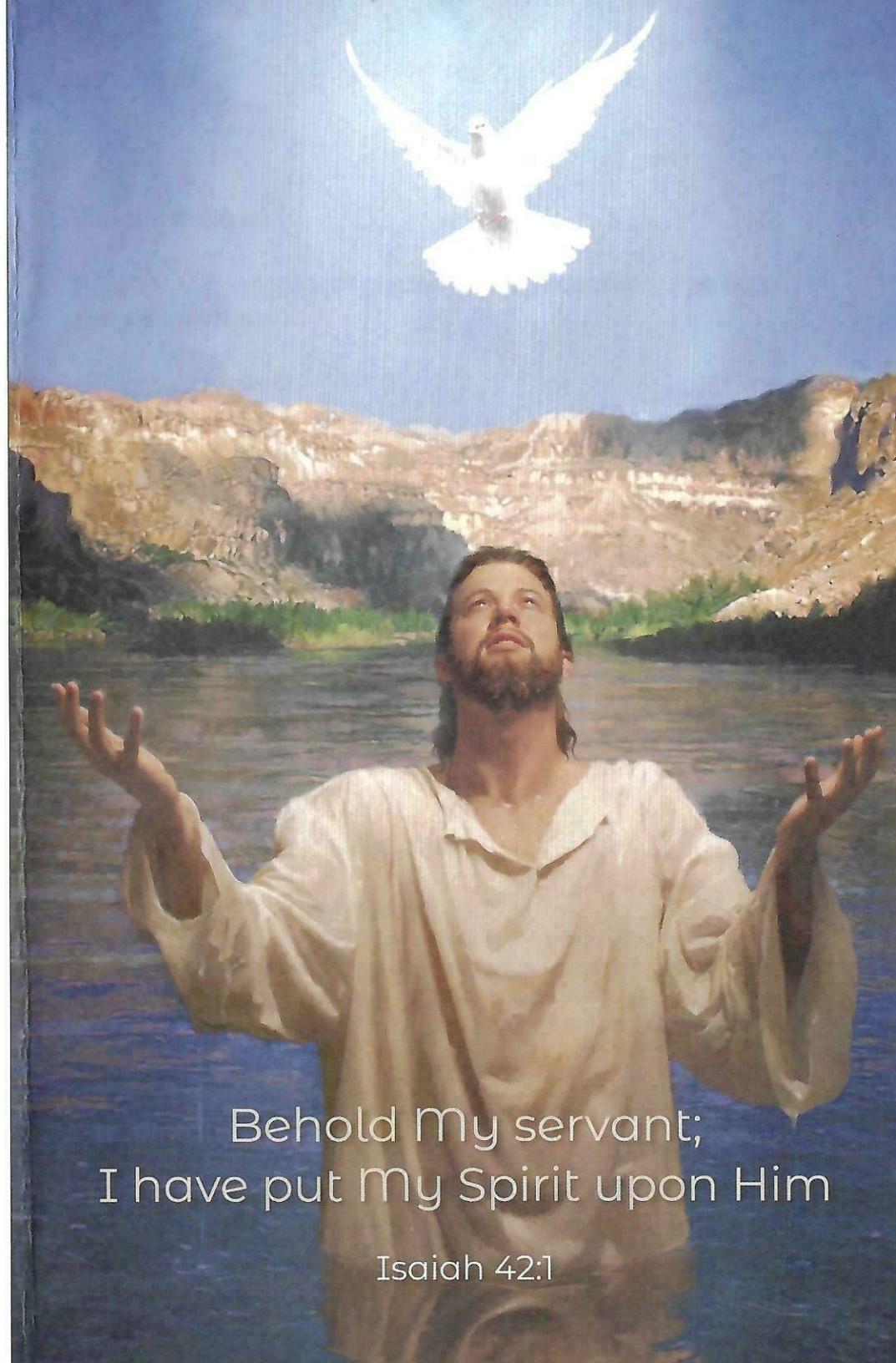
## Epistle: Romans 6:1–11

<sup>1</sup> What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup> Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:13–17

<sup>13</sup> Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; <sup>17</sup> and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."



Behold My servant;  
I have put My Spirit upon Him

Isaiah 42:1



Epiphany

**About the Cover:** When the Spirit descended upon Jesus at His Baptism in the Jordan, it marked the beginning of His public ministry and His mission to head to the cross to fulfill God's plan. Jesus is the servant mentioned in Isaiah. He followed the Father's will perfectly, even suffering for our sake. By our Baptism into Jesus, we have received all that Jesus accomplished in His mission because the same Spirit, through the Word, brings us to believe in Him.

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**THE 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
JANUARY 11, 2026

**Hymn . . . [INSERT] – “O JESUS, KING OF GLORY” (Tune #442)**

**Invocation**

**EPIPHANY RESPONSIVE**

Arise, shine, for your light has come!

**The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

Lift up your eyes and look around:

**All gather together to proclaim the praise of the Lord.**

Your sun will never set again.

**The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

Your moon will wane no more.

**The Lord is our light and our salvation!**

Your days of sorrow will end.

**The Lord is the strength of our life; whom shall we fear?**

**Confession & Forgiveness**

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God the Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**Who made heaven and earth.**

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**And You will forgive the iniquity of my sin.**

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Psalm of the Day . . . PSALM 29**  
**Collect of the Day**

**Hymn . . . [Insert] – When Christ’s Appearing Was Made Known” (Tune #344).**

**The Lessons**

**The Gospel**

**The Apostles Creed . . . . . [Back inside cover of the hymnal]**

**Hymn . . . “Songs of Thankfulness & Praise” LSB #394 (1-4)**

**Sermon**

**Offering**

**Prayers of God’s People**  
**The Lord’s Prayer**

**The Benediction**

**Hymn . . . . . “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” LSB #918**

**Announcements**

## O Jesus, King of Glory

1 O Je - sus, King of glo - ry, Both Da - vid's Lord and son!  
 2 The east - ern sa - ges, kneel - ing, Their rich - est trib - utes bring,  
 3 You are a might - y mon - arch, As by your Word is told,  
 4 Yet you are decked with beau - ty, With rays of glo - rious light;

Your realm en - dures for - ev - er, In heav - en is your throne.  
 Where wit - ness - ing your glo - ry, They wor - ship you, their King.  
 Yet you care ver - y lit - tle For earth - ly goods or gold;  
 Your works pro - claim your good - ness, And all your ways are right.

Help that in earth's do - min - ions, From pole to earth - est pole,  
 To you the star is point - ing, The sure pro - phet - ic Word;  
 You come not proud - ly rid - ing, You seek no great re - noun,  
 O Lord, pro - tect your peo - ple With your al - might - y arm

Your reign may spread sal - va - tion To each be - night - ed soul.  
 So joy - ous - ly we hail you: Our Sav - ior and our Lord!  
 You dwell in no high cas - tle, You wear no jew - eled crown.  
 That they may dwell in safe - ty From those who mean them harm.

# When Christ Appearing Was Made Known

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1 When Christ's ap - pear - ing was made known, King Her - od  
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far And fol - lowed  
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood The heav'n - ly  
4 And oh, what mir - a - cle di - vine, When wa - ter

trem - bled for his throne; But he who of - fers heav'n - ly  
on his guid - ing star; By light their way to light they  
Lamb in meek - ness stood That he, of whom no sin was  
red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and forth it

birth Seeks not the king - doms of this earth.  
trod, And by their gifts con - fessed their God.  
known, Might cleanse his peo - ple from their own.  
flowed In streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed

5 For this his glad epiphany  
All glory unto Jesus be,  
Whom with the Father we adore,  
And Holy Ghost forevermore.

## SERMON NOTES

Sermon Title \_\_\_\_\_

Texts \_\_\_\_\_

Main Ideas / Thoughts \_\_\_\_\_

I Want to Remember \_\_\_\_\_

What Response Does God Want? \_\_\_\_\_