

## CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 2022

9:30 a.m.

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*"For nothing is impossible with God." Luke 1:37*

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### WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

ORGAN PRELUDE

Mary Mackie

*Angels We Have Heard On High...* Michael Higgins

(Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. George Swanson

\* HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 22

*Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lou Pennebaker

**Loving God, as we ponder the angels who appeared to Mary and to the shepherds, we wonder if such angels still appear today. We feel Your presence among us, but most of us have not experienced such visions. Open our eyes, O God, so that we may recognize Your Spirit in our midst. Hear us now as we silently confess our sins.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\* GLORIA PATRI

No. 579

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* Those who wish may stand.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Leland and Linda Morine

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

*On this Day Earth Shall Ring...* arr. Lloyd Larson

Richard Dinwiddie, director; Mollie Wakeman, accompanist;

Sharon Dinwiddie, bells (CCLI #20405356)

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

FIRST GOSPEL READING

Bob Kraut

Luke 1:26-38

pg. 1588

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

*Rise Up, Shepherds ...* Trad. Spiritual, arr. Fettke/Grassi

Richard Jackson, soloist (CCLI #20405356)

SECOND GOSPEL READING

Luke 2:8-15

pg. 1590

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Rev. Anne Swanson

**"Angels and Other Strangers"**

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 23

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

\* BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

No. 29

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

POSTLUDE

*Finale Jubilante ...* Jacques Lemmons

\* Those who wish may stand.