FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

January 1, 2023 9:30 a.m.

"A renewal of all God's creation, as God had promised, is underway in Jesus the Christ."

WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

PIANO PRELUDE

Toni DiCapua

What Child is This?... English Melody (Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lou Pennebaker

* HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 40

Joy to the World!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

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Apostles' Creed

* 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

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 132: 11-12 Faye Wilson pg. 970

Those who wish may stand.

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

He Came Here for Me...Ron Nelson Richard Dinwiddie, director; Sharon Dinwiddie, piano; Julie Larson, flute; Linda Pollard, bell (CCLI #20405356)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Pg. 1496

Matthew 1:1-17

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Rev. Anne Swanson

"A New Creation Story"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 53

What Child Is This

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Rev. George Swanson

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

* SINGING OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

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* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Inside Hymnal Cover

Go Now in Peace ... Don Besig

POSTLUDE

Go Tell it to the Mountain... Traditional Spiritual

* Those who wish may stand.