



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

8 PM CHRISTMAS EVE

PRELUDE "When Christ was Born"
Larry Shackley

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"
arr. Ted Ricketts

INTROIT "Savior of the Nations" w/ "Awake and Greet the New Morn"

CAROL "O Come, All Ye Faithful"
#182, vs. 1-3

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have longed for hope;

All: Hope for a Savior.

Leader: We have longed for peace:

All: Peace on earth and goodwill to all.

Leader: We have longed for joy;

All: Joy proclaimed by heavenly hosts.

Leader: We have longed for love;

All: Love that surpasses all understanding.

Leader: Tonight, our longing is complete. Emmanuel is born.

All: We come to worship and adore the newborn King.

CAROL "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"
#153, vs. 1-2

READING Luke 2:1-7

CAROL "What Child is This?"
#184 vs. 1-2

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Calypso Lullaby"
Hairston & Raney

READING Luke 2:8-14

CAROL "Angels We Have Heard on High"
#188 v. 1-3

READING Luke 2:15-20

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Sussex Carol"
arr. Elaine Hagenberg

READING Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 & Galatians 4:4-7

MESSAGE Longing: "This Is Not the Thaw"

OFFERING & OFFERING OF MUSIC "Longing"
Elizabeth Virkler

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Lord, this is a season of longing. Tonight, we long for You. We long for a baby Emmanuel swaddled and held in his mother's arms. We long for a teacher to show us the path for our lives. We long for a friend who lays down his life for us. We long for a redeemer who is raised from the dead to set us free. Amen.

PASSING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CAROL "Silent Night"
#186 v. 1-3

MUSICAL RESPONSE "Joy Has Dawned"
Keith & Kristyn Getty

CAROL "Joy to the World"
#179 vs. 1-4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Joy to the World"
G. F. Handel, arr. William H. Bates

Preaching Pastor
Assisting Pastor
Director of Worship
Director of Media
Organist/Accompanist
Ensembles

Scripture Readers

Geoff Kohler
Mofid Wasef
Elizabeth Virkler
Luke Graham
Ronél Wishnuff
Chancel Choir
Grace Notes
Sanctuary Orchestra
Betsy Cook
Elaine Johnson

To Give:

