Prelude  Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence, Arr. Haan  
Don Krehbiel, organ

Call to Worship

Hymn #224  Let Christmas Come, John Hanly Morgan  
Hymn Singers: Nancy Bryant, DiMitri Higginbotham, Don Krehbiel

Let Christmas come, its story told,  
when days are short and winds are cold;  
let Christmas come, its lovely song  
when evening’s soon and night is long.

Let Christmas come, its great star glow,  
on quiet city, parks of snow;  
let Christmas come, its table gleam,  
love born again: the truth of dream.

Affirmation  Read by the Smith Family

Love is the doctrine of our church:  
The quest of truth is its sacrament,  
and service is its prayer.  
To dwell together in peace,  
To seek knowledge in freedom,  
To serve humanity in fellowship,  
To the end that all souls shall grow  
in harmony with the divine-  
Thus do we covenant with each other.
Doxology  
Lift up your voices loud and clear,  
Sing now as Christmas time draws near.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Let peace, goodwill on Earth be sung  
Through every land, by every tongue.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Welcome

Offertory  Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent, Arr. Stephen Nielson  
Alan Dyer, piano

Reading  “Winter Sun” by Molly Fisk

Interlude  O Come, O Come Emmanuel,  
Arr. Ron Boud

Prayer

Sermon  “The Challenge of What’s Real”; Rev. Aaron White

Hymn #229  Make Channels for the Streams of Love;  
Richard Chenevis Trench

Make channels for the streams of love where they may broadly run; and love has overflowing streams to fill them every one.

But if at any time we cease such channels to provide,  
the very founts of love for us will soon be parched and dried.

For we must share, if we would keep this gift all else above;
we cease to give, we cease to have — such is the law of love.

Benediction

Postlude  Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus, Arr. Haan
          Don Krehbiel, organ