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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

How we have waited for signs of the end of a winter that seemed to drag on, and the warming into our beautiful spring here in Victoria! Perhaps the sense of the delay of spring this year was even more pronounced because Easter comes to us at almost the latest date it can happen. Easter Sunday always follows the first full moon after March 21 (Spring Equinox).

Yes, Holy Week and Easter are upon us, this most crucial and central time of the church's year. How crucial is this journeying, calling to mind the final days of Jesus' earthly ministry, to us as Christians who profess our faith in the dying and rising of Jesus? This means everything! This is the central act of worship for which we gather week by week to hear and tell Jesus' story! Holy Week into Easter – the whole Journey, Palm/Passion Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, The Great Vigil of Easter, and Easter Sunday, the pinnacle of the entire church year.

Again this year, the church gathers for great, solemn, and wonderful celebrations of our faith. We follow Jesus as he enters Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, through his Last Supper that signifies the depth of love he undergoes for each one of us, through to his Resurrection on Easter Sunday with the discovery of the empty tomb. Each one of us is called to be part of these celebrations. We are all invited to take part in the holy remembering of the great events of Jesus' life. (Please see the list of services on the back of this letter for dates and times.)

Along with this reminder and information on our Holy Week and Easter events at St. Luke's is an invitation and opportunity to help out in the crucial work of ministry that St. Luke, your parish, continues to engage in, locally and beyond. You will find a special envelope to assist you in making your Easter offering. Thank you for your support of the ministry of St. Luke's.

Friends, it is my prayer that you will all receive special blessings through this Holy Week Journey and experience renewed hope and wonder upon your own peering upon the empty tomb at Easter. May you experience the resurrection anew this year.

May God's Blessing be upon each of you,

The Rev. Daniel Fournier+

*When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.' Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.' When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.' Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.' Luke 22: 14-15, 19-20.*



## **Holy Week and Easter Services at St. Luke Cedar Hill April 2019**

### **Palm/Passion Sunday, April 14**

- 8:30 am – Said Communion Service with Passion Narrative
- 10:00 am – Family Communion Service with Procession of Palms  
and dramatic reading of the Passion Narrative  
Starting at Lutheran Church of the Cross
- 7:00 pm – Sung Communion Service with the Passion Narrative

### **Wednesday, April 17**

- 7:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

### **Maundy Thursday, April 18**

- 7:00 pm – Last Supper, Foot Washing, Stripping of the Altar

### **Good Friday, April 19**

- 10:30 am – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

### **Holy Saturday, April 20**

- 7:30 pm – Easter Vigil at Church of the Cross

### **Easter Sunday, April 21**

- 8:30 am – Communion with Flower Cross
- 10:30 am – Choral Communion with Flower Cross
- 2:30 pm – Child Friendly Easter Service  
followed by an Easter Egg Hunt
- 7:00 pm – Sung Communion with Flower Cross

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