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Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We are once again embarking on an exciting Holy journey.

As we enter December, this month of dimming light and colder days, our attention begins to focus on promise and potential. This year as we embark on the Advent Journey through to the joyous revelation of God coming to us in a little child, there is an invitation for us to “prepare and welcome the child.”

Prepare and welcome the child as we journey Sunday by Sunday through the themes and stories of Advent, recounting events that lead to Jesus’ arrival amongst us. Prepare and welcome the child as we join with Lutheran Church of the Cross Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM for our annual First Sunday of Advent Service. Prepare and welcome the child as we celebrate a pre-Christmas time of joy with our annual Christmas pageant, followed by a potluck lunch. Prepare and welcome the child in the evening of December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at our Longest Night of the Year Service - as we contemplate life and the ones that we miss particularly at this time of year and take time out during such a busy season, catching our breath in what often seems like a frenzied season. Prepare and welcome the child as we celebrate the great solemnity of Christmas Eve (literally pulling out all the stops) with our three services and our Christmas morning service.

It is in these services, and in these celebrations, that we witness God’s movements in our lives. In this child, this baby wrapped in swaddling clothes that we welcome, we see and will witness as we journey the wonderful potential and hope God has promised and focused in this person. Through Christ, in Christ, with Christ, God’s hopes and dreams for each one of us are also beheld in this child, and far, far beyond, through Easter morning. Friends, come and welcome the child.

Dear people of God, thank you for your continuing generous support of the life and ministry of St. Luke Cedar Hill. As it is Christmas, it has been customary to provide you with the opportunity to make a special Christmas offering to the church. You will find an envelope enclosed with this letter to assist you in making this offering.

It is my prayer that each of you will have a most blessed Advent time of preparation and a most Holy Christmas Season.

God bless you always,

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## **Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Services at St. Luke Cedar Hill**

**December 2017—January 2018**

**Sunday, December 17—Advent 3**

- 8:00 am Said Communion
- 10:00 am Choral Communion
- 7:00 pm Longest Night Service  
A time of remembrance and hope

**Sunday, December 24—Advent 4/Christmas Eve**

- 8:00 am Said Communion
- 4:00 pm Child Friendly Christingle Carol Service
- 7:00 pm Family Communion, with Carols and Candles
- 10:00 pm Choral Communion, with Carols and Candles

**Monday, December 25—Christmas Day**

- 10:00 am Family Communion

**Sunday, December 31—First Sunday after Christmas**

- 8:00 am Said Communion
- 10:00 am Choral Communion

**Sunday, January 7—Epiphany/Baptism of the Lord**

- 8:00 am Said Communion
- 10:00 am Family Communion  
With lessons and carols for Epiphany
- 7:00 pm Communion

**God's Blessing and Peace  
to You and Yours this Christmas!**