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Friends in Christ,

This is the last weekend of winter! At least, that's what the calendar says. The first official day of spring is less than a week away and even though the winter temperatures remain for now, new life is indeed sprouting up, green and tender, all around us. Sunday is also St. Patrick's Day, so wear a little green yourself and see if it puts a little spring in your step.

More importantly, it is the fifth Sunday in Lent. Our scripture follows Jesus into Bethany , to the home of his dear friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Bethany is a tiny village just outside Jerusalem and it is Jesus' final stop before he enters the gates of the holy city on Palm Sunday.

Our annual Agape Dinner will take place this Sunday from 5pm - 7pm. We will enjoy a delicious pasta supper and dessert, learn about the meaning of the Seder Meal, and participate in making Haroset. Haroset is a sweet treat and a traditional part of the Seder meal that has a great deal of meaning for Jewish people and Christians alike. Come and feed your body and soul and spend some time among friends. The event is free and open to people of all ages.

God is good! Let's celebrate the good things God is doing in and among us!

**With you on the journey,
Meg**

Looking Ahead...

**MUSIC at FIRST
presents
"Irish to the Last Drop"**

**Sunday, March 24
4 PM**

Refreshments to follow

Suggested donation: \$7 adults/\$5 seniors and students

Proceeds benefit the Les Childs Music Scholarship

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 10 AM worship service

Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion and Office of Tennebrae

Thursday, March 28, 7 PM in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, March 31

Sunrise Service, 6:30 AM in the Memorial Garden

Coffee, juice, muffins, etc. following in Fellowship Hall

Worship Service, 10 AM