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*Greetings Greater Detroit District,*

I heard a joke about 2020: “2020 was a unique Leap Year: February was 29 days, March was 3 months, and April was 5 years.”

We half-heartedly laugh because we all feel the truth of this joke weighing heavily on our souls. Through this entire year, challenges and all, God has been with us. God’s steadfast love has endured, and although our hope has been challenged, our faith has never wavered. God is Good! As we face the promise of a new year, 2021 will bring its own challenges and celebrations. We look forward to an end to the pandemic, celebrating worship again with full sanctuaries, continuing, and perhaps expanding, our online ministries, and following God to share the Good News of Christ in a world that is hungry and thirsty for it. As we celebrate the birth of Christ and venture into a new year, may God’s love continue to surround us and call us to new ministries for making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

*Frohe Weihnachten,  
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