## **Dear Families:**

This week, we continued discussion of the season of Lent. Lent is a time of preparation. We do things to improve ourselves and prepare for Jesus' coming on Easter.

Today, we discussed the symbolism of the desert. Journeys into the desert are a common occurrence in the Bible. Abraham, Joseph, Moses, David, Elijah, John the Baptist, and Jesus all spent some quality time in the wilderness. While the desert can be a dangerous and foreboding place, all of these Biblical figures went into the desert to be tested in their faith, and their journey not only strengthened them, but their faith as well. These people could not have done what God had assigned for them without this strengthening. The time of Lent can be equated to a journey in the desert. We can use this period to focus on our faith and our spirit, to steel us for the job that God has set aside just for us. May He continue to strengthen us as we journey through life.

We will see you next week to celebrate Palm Sunday. There will be no Sunday School the following Sunday, April 17, as we celebrate Easter!

Thanks for joining us today! Carol McClellan CE Director