Dear Families:

Today is Palm Sunday- the beginning of Holy Week! We have spent the last 5 weeks practicing different spiritual disciplines to prepare for this time, and it is finally here!

This week's Lenten focus is spiritual discipline. We have spent the Lenten season training to fight the world for God- now is the time to begin in earnest! Throughout the week, practice all the spiritual disciplines we've discussed: fast (abstain from unnecessary pleasures), pray (all day every day), listen to God (read and meditate on his word in the Bible), simplify (cancel or don't schedule unnecessary plans or busy work), and unplug (stay off of electronics and stop worrying about the world). By Easter Sunday, you will be ready to receive the Good News!

In Sunday School today, we learned about all of the events celebrated and remembered during Holy Week. Students are encouraged to participate in any and all special worship opportunities that abound this week. We hope you will, too.

The youth had their candle-making day during Winter Break. They made 40 candles to sell, with all proceeds going towards the support of Literacy of Love. We have 23 candles left! The candles are being displayed in Fellowship Hall. They are now on sale for \$3 each. The kids did a great job! Please consider purchasing a candle to support their ministry.

We will also be holding an Easter Egg Hunt immediately after worship service on Easter Sunday. We hope you can join us as we celebrate the risen Lord!

Thank you for joining us today!

Carol McClellan, CE Director