

Who I AM Staff Prayer Service

Note: give a copy to each person

Welcome and Introduction:

Opening Prayer: Let us pray, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, God of All, the Great I AM, you revealed yourself to Moses from a bush that burned but was not consumed. You showed your power and love to Moses and the Israelites with their deliverance from slavery in Egypt. When Moses asked what the people should call you, you replied, "I AM WHO I AM." Reveal yourself to us we pray, Amen.

Reading: A reading from the book of Exodus [adapted from Exodus 3]

"God called to Moses out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And Moses said, 'Here I am.' Then God said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' God said, 'I will be with you'. But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you." ' God also said to Moses, 'This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.'"

Reflection: *pause for a moment of silent reflection*

Closing Prayer:

Let us pray, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, God of All, the Great I AM, we thank you that you are always with us. With great love you gave us Jesus, your Son, to save us from our sins. In faithfulness you give us the Holy Spirit to be with us and guide us always. Help us through the Holy Spirit to recognize that the people in our lives are gifts to us. May we have the courage to share with them that who they are makes a difference to us because Jesus loves us all, we pray, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, amen.

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