

**Covenant Presbyterian Church**  
**February 17, 2021**  
**Ash Wednesday**



Prelude                      Prelude in B minor, from *Well-Tempered Clavier, Book 1*                      *J. S. Bach*

Welcome and Words about the Service

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn                      Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days                      *St. Flavian*

Invitation to Confession and Prayer

Assurance of Pardon and Grace

First Scripture Reading                      Exodus 3:13-15

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers 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." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

Second Scripture Reading                      Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Musical Selection                      Prelude in C sharp minor, from *Well-Tempered Clavier, Book 1*                      *J. S. Bach*

Gospel Reading

John 8.54-59

Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."

Sermon

"What's In A Name'

*Rev. Scott G. Loomer*

Musical Selection

Prelude in E flat minor, *from Well-Tempered Clavier, Book 1*

*J. S. Bach*

Prayers of Intercession

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude

Prelude in B flat minor, *from Well-Tempered Clavier, Book 1*

*J. S. Bach*

**Many thanks to our musical guest this evening, Mr. Ron Stabinsky, piano  
and our soloist, Mrs. Evelyn Munley.**

On this Ash Wednesday we begin a sermon series for Lenten worship based on Jesus' "I Am" sayings. Jesus calls himself the Bread of life, the Light of the World, the Door of the sheep, the Resurrection and the Life and the true Vine.

He identifies himself with the name of God, "I AM."

Jesus is **I AM**, the God who saves and sets people free.