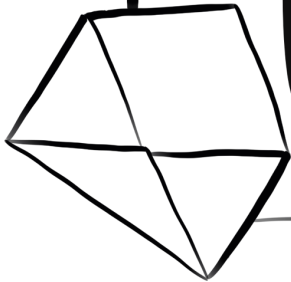


Paul's Letter to the Church in Philippi



We Got Mail!

September 2020

September 13, 2020, 11 am worship

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Centering

- Print out or pull up your Worship Guide
- Light a candle as a reminder of the light of Christ that connects us all
- Breathe deeply and remember that you are on holy ground

Opening Song

Praise to the Lord

Ola Mullikin

WORDS: Joachim Neander, 1680; sts. 1, 3, 5 trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863; st. 2 by S. Paul Schilling, 1986; st. 4 by Rupert E. Davies, 1983 (Ps. 103:1-6; 150)

MUSIC: *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. by William Sterndale Bennett, 1864
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Call to Worship (John van de Laar, sacredise.com)

Caroline Venuti

Though you are God, with all the influence and status that the name implies,
you refused to pull rank,
and parade your power among us.
Instead, you chose to step down into our experience,
living among us, as one of us,
with all the struggle and suffering
that goes with being human.

More than that, you adopted the role of slave,
washing feet, serving people of no reputation or social standing,
and giving of yourself completely.

As incredible as it sounds,
you are the God who serves,

and we can respond in no other way
than to give ourselves to you in praise. Amen.

We Got Mail! Series Introduction

In this series, we are using our spiritual imaginations to put ourselves in the place of that ancient church in Philippi who received letters from the Apostle Paul and read and interpreted them together in community.

Message

Philippians 2

Pastor Lisa

Song of Response

Make Me a Servant

Ola Mullikin

WORDS: Kelly Willard (John 13:14-16)

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MUSIC: Kelly Willard

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Prayers of the People (adapted from the Litany of Humility¹- *Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus Phil. 2:5*)

From the desire of being esteemed,
From the desire of being loved,
From the desire of being extolled,

Deliver me, Jesus.

From the desire of being honored,
From the desire of being praised,
From the desire of being preferred to others,

Deliver me, Jesus.

From the desire of being consulted,
From the desire of being approved,

Deliver me, Jesus.

From the fear of being humiliated,
From the fear of being despised,
From the fear of suffering rebukes,

Deliver me, Jesus.

From the fear of being forgotten,
From the fear of being ridiculed,
From the fear of being wronged,

Deliver me, Jesus.

That others may be loved more than I,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be esteemed more than I,

¹ posted on the [Initiatives and Centers](#) page of the website of Duke Divinity School

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be chosen and I set aside,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be praised and I unnoticed,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may become holier than I, provided that I become as holy as I should,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

May God grant us the grace to live with humble hearts. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Franco Venuti

Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us,

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

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Benediction

May you be poured out like a libation, emptied of any selfish desire, so that you may be filled with the peace, hope, joy, and love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Together We Serve

Ola Mullikin

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