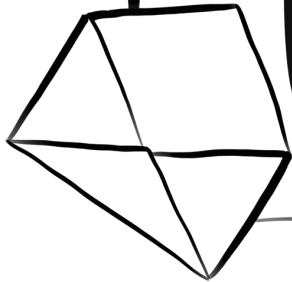


Paul's Letter to the Church in Philippi



We Got Mail!

September 2020

September 6, 2020, 11 am worship

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Centering

- gather you communion elements
- pull up or print out your worship guide
- light a candle and remember - you are on holy ground!

Opening Song

For All the Saints

Ola Mullikin

WORDS: John Bell

MUSIC: English Folk Melody

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Opening Prayer (©2009 Mark Parsons)

Lucy Kunkler

**O God, whose love like rolling ocean waves
is never ceasing,
yet ever refreshing,
was us in the clear, calm waters
of your mercy and grace
so that we may be made new and clean,
bathed in the tides
of your forgiveness.
Through Christ in whom we
all are refreshed.
Amen.**

We Got Mail! Series Introduction

Biblical scholar Fred Craddock said Paul's letters were personal but they were not private, meaning that they were meant to be read out loud to the assembled congregation of a house church. They were meant to be read aloud, received and interpreted together in community. We are going to use our spiritual imaginations to put ourselves in the place of those early Christians. Notice I didn't encourage you open your Bibles and I didn't put the scripture in our worship guide. That's because I want you, like our ancient siblings, to open your hearts and minds and ears to hear what the apostle Paul has to say today.

Message

We Got Mail: Philippians 1

Pastor Lisa

Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing ...

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...

We proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Bill Kunkler

**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.**

Receiving the Elements

The bread of heaven and the cup of salvation, given for you. Amen.

Offering

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Benediction

My beloved friends, go forth to live lives worthy of the gospel of Christ Jesus! Amen.

Song of Response

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

Ola Mullikin

WORDS: African American spiritual

MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. by Wendell Whalum

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