GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON



We welcome you heartily in the name of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd! We are one flock of His worldwide fold. We try to heed His voice.

We are thankful that He knows each of us by name.

He is the Good Shepherd.

He gives His life for His sheep — for you and for me.

3 LENT March 4, 2018

The Week Ahead...

Monday, Mar 6 9:00 am Sew In Love, Wednesday, Mar 7 10:00 am Bible Study,

9:00 am Sew In Love, 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study 10:00 am Bible Study, 11:30 am OWLS Luncheon,

6:00 pm Soup Supper, Bells,7:00 pm Lent Devotions, 7:30 pm Choir

Saturday, Mar 10 Sunday, Mar 11 9:30 am Bible Study, 5:00 pm MWT, 7:00 pm Worship

8:30 am Worship, 10:00 am Worship & Sunday School, 6:00 pm SNL

Announcements

- ♦ OWLS: This is the week, are you ready? OWLS is Wednesday 3/7 @ 11:30 am. Remember corned beef sandwiches on fresh rye bread. Can you smell it already— so good! (Your choice of bread if you don't like rye.) 3 days and counting..1...2...3. Questions: Mary Lou 360-253-3662 or Jean 360-253-3861.
- MITE BOX SUNDAY LWML (Lutheran Women In Mission) Please bring your mites and put them in the large purple box this week or next week. These gifts of love will help our District LWML complete mission moneys.
- ♠ LENTEN PHOTO CHALLENGE: This year each week for Lent we will have a different theme that we want you to capture with your camera. We would love for you to send your photos to us, so we can share them with the whole church on Sunday mornings during worship. Photos will need to be sent to Sara (dce@vanflock.org), by Friday each week. Get creative! This week's Photo Challenge theme: CLEANED!
- ♦ SOUP SUPPERS & LENT DEVOTIONS Here at Good Shepherd, during Lent we gather together during the middle of the week, to share fellowship over a simple meal of soup & bread, and to worship. These suppers will continue through March 21st. A sign-up sheet will be in the narthex for those who wish to bring soup. Soup Supper will be at 6 pm with worship getting underway around 7 pm.
- ♦ THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS TUESDAY, MARCH 13TH AT 7:00 P.M. Please contact Doug Hail or Rob Aguilar if you have items for the Board meeting agenda.
- ◆COFFEE CLEAN-UP HELP NEEDED! If you drink coffee, which is offered between services, would you please consider helping with the light work of clean-up? The sign-up sheet for both 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM services is posted on the freezer in the kitchen with a list of duties and contacts for training.
- TABLES FOR 8 "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." ∼ Acts 2:42 Time again for Tables for 8. Join 3 other couples once a month for an evening of good food and fellowship either in the home of the host or a restaurant of their choice. The host provides the main course and the other 3 couples can provide an appetizer, salad and desert. There will be a kickoff party hosted by Matt & Annette Idler on Sun, Mar 25th. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or you can email Annette at IdlerAnnette@gmail.com or text Annette at 360-991-5312.
- MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR UPCOMING CHIDLREN"S MINISTRY EVENTS-Sign-ups outside Sara's office, or contact her (dce@vanflock.org).
- ♦ NOT ENOUGH SPACE for all our library books. Check the table in the narthex. Take a book you would enjoy. KEEP IT! Thank you! Dolores Fuerstenau & Barb Hail

- ♦ JOIN US FOR A FREE WORKSHOP! Thrivent is hosting, Safe and Sound: Steps Toward a Secure Retirement. Tips to maximize your Social Security benefits and more! 3 Days (Mar 6,7,8) and locations to choose. See the bulletin board near the kitchen for dates, locations and times. Please call 360-694-1197 or email Rochelle.susee@thrivent.com to reserve your place!
- ♦SOCKS & UNDIES FOR KIDS OH MY! Help us fill our graph, and our buckets too! We are collecting NEW socks and undies for girls and boys, ages 0-18. At the end of our collection period, all items will be donated to Open House Ministries, of Vancouver. Your Preschoolers are having fun building a graph to track the collection! Thank you for your help and kindness sharing!
- ♦ PRESCHOOL 2018-2019 OPEN ENROLLMENT HAS BEGUN! Grab a "PASS IT ON CARD" to share with a friend, neighbor, or someone new, who has young children! We have programming for children ages three to five, and flexible scheduling. We are nationally accredited, and we prepare children for Kindergarten, with a faith-based focus! Our mission: Nurturing the spirit, mind, and body of children through Jesus' love.
- ♦ SEEKING PROPERTY DIRECTOR VOLUNTEER After the saddening and sudden death of Garry Lee, Good Shepherd is now looking for a volunteer or volunteers to direct the property affairs of the church serving by appointment until the next voter's assembly meeting in Nov 2018. This role includes overseeing the maintenance and upkeep of property, proposing and implementing improvements to the property within budgetary constraints, helping establish the budget for the following year and sitting on the Board of Directors. Contact Doug Hail for more information.
- ♦ SEW-IN-LOVE needs donations for batting, that's the white stuff filling our quilts. We used over 13 rolls of batting last year and gave out 320 quilts! The SWW Humane society got 100 Critter Cushions made from the scraps. A roll of batting runs \$80-\$100 and makes 24 quilts. If you would like to contribute any dollars to the group, contact Gladys Rabe, Dorothy Aulwurm, Donna Boyd, or any quilt group member you know! Thank you!
- ♦ WALKING WITH JESUS EVENT March 23rd 6:00-8:00pm Families will visit stations as they travel from Palm Sunday, to the Resurrection. This is a free event for families with kids ages 2-11. Sign up on the table outside Sara's office.
- **♦ FAMILY EASTER FUN DAY** March 31st 10:30-Noon Join us for an Easter Egg hunt, crafts, service projects, and other activities celebrating Easter! This is free event.
- ◆CANDY DONATIONS: We have an egg hunt on our Family Easter Fun Day. We need lots of individually wrapped candy. Leave all donations in Sara's office by Sun, Mar 18th.
- ♠ REMEMBER TO SPRING FORWARD! Daylight savings begins March 11.
- ◆COFFEE BREAK: This month we will meet March 20th at 6:30pm, at New Seasons. This is a onetime stand-alone Bible study for ages 9th grade to adult. Contact Sara (dce@vanflock.org), if you plan to attend.

Nursery care is available at the 10:00 service with adult supervision.

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DCEFM: Sara Eustice-Brown

Preschool Director: Krista Moore

Worship Times- Sunday 8:30, 10:00 am Saturday 7:00 pm

FLOCK TO HIS FLOCK: Be Won. Be One. Be Wanting More.

Vision Statement: We will grow as God's people, discipling and being discipled, as the Holy Spirit works change in our hearts. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we are compelled to address the spiritual and physical needs of family, neighbors and the community with empathy and service.

3 LENT

March 4, 2018

THEME OF THE DAY

It's spring cleaning time! Jesus has come among us to cleanse us of our sin, those visible sins which clutter up our lives, trip us up, and make us look and feel dirty. But He also takes care of the invisible sins: our hidden agendas, our infected souls, our fatal addictions. He doesn't just storm the Temple in Jerusalem either, He busts into our sanctuaries and holy shrines and overturns our pretensions and pride. Jesus, that fearless prophet so consumed by the righteousness of God, is determined to do away with whatever it might be that stands between us and a favorable confrontation with and service to a holy and righteous God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WE GATHER

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader: O God, Your weakness is mightier than human strength, and Your

foolishness is wiser than human wisdom. We rejoice that You are with us today. Open our hearts and discipline our will. Teach us to follow Your perfect ways. Test us with Your righteous decrees. Drive us from unholy living, and turn us toward Your holy light. Through Your Son. Jesus Christ,

comfort and redeem us with Your holy Word.

People: Amen.

WE CONFESS

Hear the commandments of the Lord! Leader:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods before me.

Lord, forgive our infidelity.

You will not make for yourselves any idol. People:

Lord, forgive me for chasing lesser gods and goals. Leader:

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. People:

Lord, forgive our mindless swearing and misuse of Your name. Leader: People:

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. Leader:

Lord, forgive our forgetfulness and sloth. People:

Honor your father and mother.

Lord, forgive us for neglecting our elders and those in authority. Leader: People:

You shall not murder.

Lord, forgive our condoning violence, oppression, and war. Leader: People:

You shall not commit adultery. Leader:

Lord, forgive our lustful hearts. People:

Leader:

Lord, forgive me for taking what is not mine, for not sharing, for cheating, People:

for not helping the poor.

You shall not bear false witness. Leader:

Lord, forgive our lying lips and our hurtful silences. People:

Leader:

Lord, forgive our greedy thoughts, our envy, our dissatisfaction with what People:

You have given us.

This is the Word of the Lord. Leader:

Lord, have mercy upon us. People:

Christ, have mercy upon us. Leader:

Lord, have mercy upon us. People:

[Silence for reflection and self-examination.]

God is indeed merciful. Not only did He give us the Law to show us our sin, Leader:

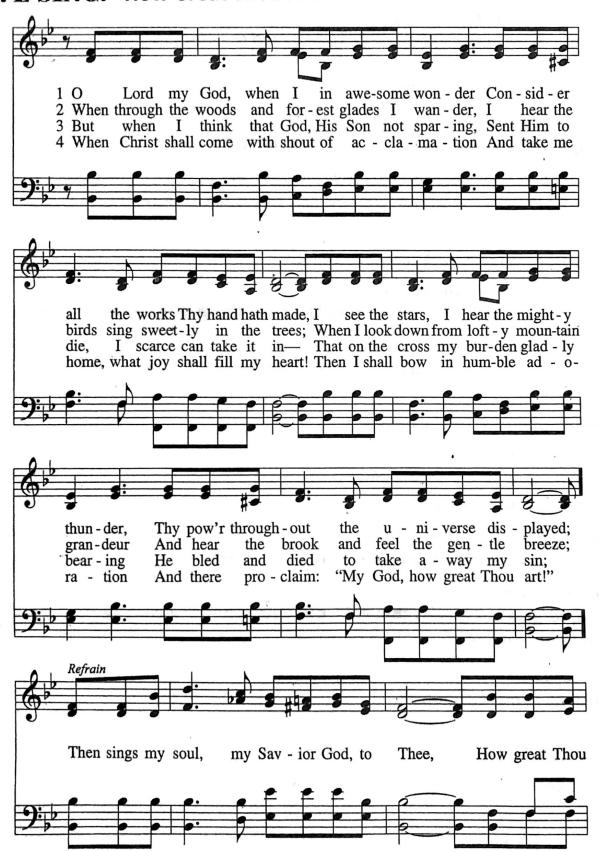
He gave His only Son, Jesus Christ, to die for us; and for His sake, forgives us

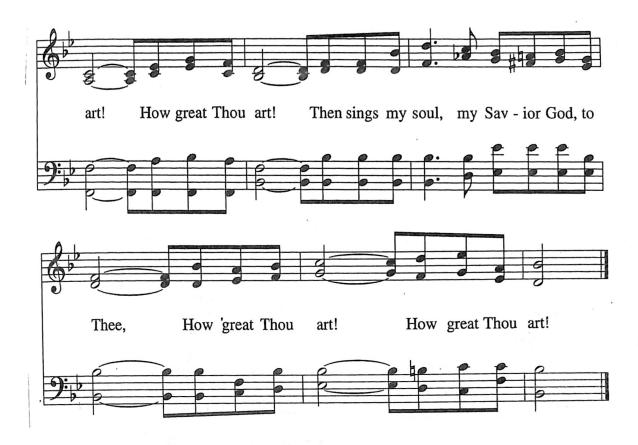
all our sins. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to

completion at the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

WE SING: "How Great Thou Art"





WE PRAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

People: O Lord, You gave the Law so that even in our sin we might know Your will for our lives, and You gave Your only Son to cleanse our lives of sin. For His sake, forgive us and renew us, so that we may serve You faithfully:

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 20:1-17

{To His servant Moses on Mt. Sinai, God gives Israel the Ten Commandments that shall guide them in all righteousness.}

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

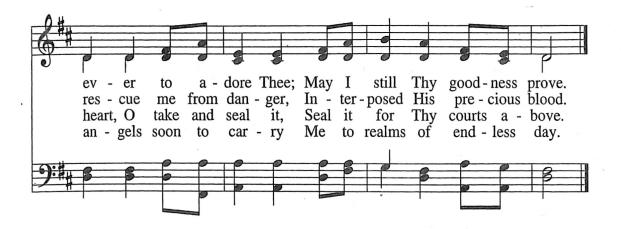
{The message of the cross is foolishness when regarded from the perspective of the world's "wisdom" but to those who are being saved, it is the power of God.}

GOSPEL LESSON: John 2:12-33

{Jesus enters Jerusalem, goes to the Temple, and drives the merchants and the moneychangers out. "Don't turn my Father's house into a marketplace!"}

WE SING: "Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing"





MESSAGE: Cleaning What Can't Be Seen

WE SAY WHAT WE BELIEVE: - The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

WE WORSHIP THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS

BELLS: "Within the Darkest Night"

WE PRAY

THE PASTORIAL PRAYER

In our prayers this week: : Matthew Bunt, Barbara Bombach, Doris Rast, Rosemarie Berens, Quinton Bo, Esther Lowe, Art Kohnke, Eileen Mitchell, Tom Harris, Nancy Huddleston, Jim Unger, Teri Madsen, Stan Zbylut, Steve Oberst.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. Amen.

WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION
THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION
THE DISTRIBUTION

WE SING: (during distribution)

"Thy Body Given for Me, O Savior"

Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior, Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed, These are my life and strength forever, By them my hungry soul is fed.

Refrain: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!

With Thee, Lord, I am now united;
I live in Thee and Thou in me.
No sorrow fills my soul, delighted
It finds its only joy in Thee. Refrain:

Who can condemn me now?
For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely
With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain:

Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer; For He who is of death the master With aid and comfort e'er is near. Refrain:



My heart has now become Thy dwelling, O blessed, holy Trinity. With angels I, Thy praises telling, Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain:

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"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

In the cross of Christ I glory, Towering o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sacred story Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'er take me, Hopes deceive, and fears annoy, Never shall the cross forsake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming Light and love upon my way, From the cross the radiance streaming Adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure By the cross are sanctified; Peace is there that knows no measure, Joys that through all time abide.

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"Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His statutes still! Oh, that my God would grant me peace To know and do His will!

Order my footsteps by Your Word And make my heart sincere; Let sin have no dominion, Lord, But keep my conscience clear.

Assist my soul, too apt to stray, A stricter watch to keep; If ever I forget Your way, Restore Your wand'ring sheep.

Make me to walk in Your commands. A most delightful road; Nor let my head or heart or hands Offend against my God.



WE GO FORTH WITH GOD'S BLESSING

Leader: O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

People: His steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: My soul, give thanks to the Lord;

All my being, bless His holy name.

People: My soul, give thanks to the Lord, and never forget His blessings.

Leader: It is He who forgives all your guilt; who heals every one of your ills; who

redeems your life from the grave; who crowns you with love and compassion; who fills your life with good things, renewing your youth like an eagle's. Give

thanks to the Lord, all His works, in every place where He rules.

People: My soul, give thanks to the Lord!

Leader: Give praise to the Father almighty, to His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and to

the Spirit who dwells in our hearts, now and forever.

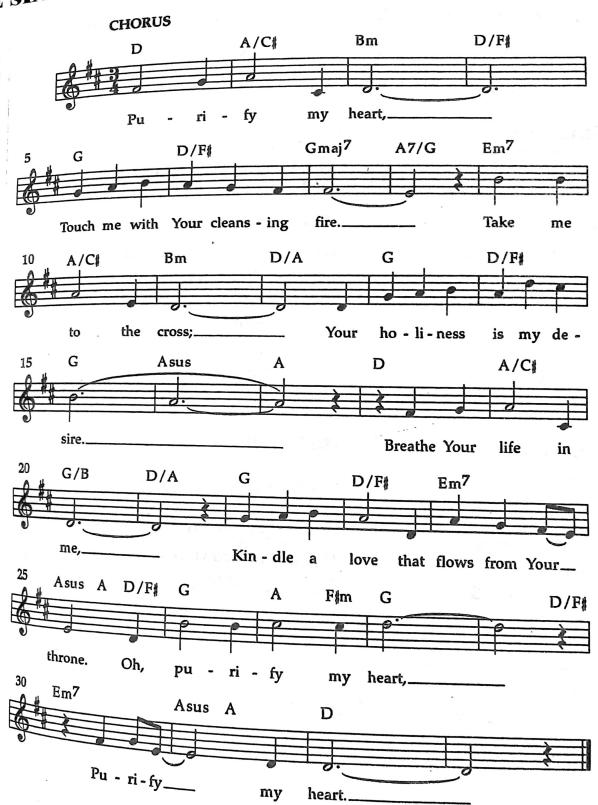
People: Amen.

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



WE SING: "Purify My Heart"



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ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Lent Devotions: 61

Saturday 7:00pm: 24

Sunday 8:30: 65

10:00: 117

Sunday School: 9

Bible Study: 43

General Fund Contributions received last week: 5,336

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

~Today···

Accompanist: Kylie Johnson

Scripture Readers:

(8:30) Janet Martin

(10:00) David Hofmann

Greeters:

(8:30) Chris Mouchette

(10:00) Pat Ball

<u>Ushers</u>:

(8:30) George Mouchette &

Tom Salisbury

(10:00) David &

Ellen Hein

Soundboard: (8:30) Muskes

(10:00) Doug Hail

Offering Counters: Liz Bier &

Jean Lambert

~Next Sunday…

Accompanist: Kylie Johnson

Scripture Readers:

(8:30) Youth

(10:00) Youth

Greeters:

(8:30) Youth

(10:00) Youth

Ushers:

(8:30) Youth

(10:00) Youth

Soundboard: (8:30) Tim Brown & Youth

(10:00) Tim Brown & Youth

Offering Counters: John Spetman &

Jim Boyd

Communion Asst.

(8:30) Vance Ablott & Daniel Davis

(10:00) Dan & Heidi Wahlstrom

Communion Prep.: Sandra Salisbury & Joanne Manning

Just a thought...

"God's primary objective is not to make our lives easy but to make our lives matter." ~ Unknown

2018

LENTENMIDWEEK

For our midweek devotions this Lent we will continue our own tradition of Holden Evening Prayer; and then delve even further into tradition by highlighting the stories behind some of the church's most familiar hymns. Of course, we'll sing them, too.

Here is the schedule:

Mar 7 - "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Mar 14 — "The Old Rugged Cross"

Mar 21 — "It Is Well with My Soul"

Worship begins at 7:00 pm. Soup is at 6:00 pm



LENT 3 - March 4, 2018

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 20:1-17

The Lord God spoke all these words: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have not other gods before me.

"You shall not make for yourself any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or on the earth below or under the water. You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing the children for the iniquity of their parents, to the third and fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

"Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. You shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested on the seventh day; therefore, the Lord himself blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

"Honor your father and mother, so that your days may be long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

"You shall not murder.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that is you neighbor's."

[NRSV]

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles; but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:13-25

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, along with the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers, overturning their tables. He told those who were the selling doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

Then Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

The Jews then said, "this temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

[NRSV]

NEXT SUNDAY: Philippians 1:5-11