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Upcoming Events

Today, immediately following Worship, Session Meeting. **Tonight, 6:30 pm,** *Verge!* Meet at the Hunter's house.

January 10, 6:30 pm, Wednesday Bible Study. Proverbs: Practical Skills for Living Well in God's World.

January 10, 6:30 pm, Children's and Youth Bible Study.

January 10, 7:30 pm, Praise Team rehearsal.

January 14, 8:45 am, Praise Team warm-up.

January 14, 9:30 am, Sunday School for all ages in person.

January 14, 10:30 am, Join us online or in person for worship, in Word, music and prayer. January Sermon Series: *Finding Our Place*. A study in the book of Obadiah.

January 14, 6:30, Verge! At the Hunter's house.

Announcements

Prayer Requests: Please fill out a prayer request card located on the back table and give it to an elder before the service begins.

Offering procedures: Your offerings may be placed in the offering plates located on the tables in back of the sanctuary. Donations may also be mailed or sent through Pay Pal.

Food Donations: Check the whiteboard on the front of the big green pantry to learn which food items are still needed.

Living Our Faith

Faith Promise Update: Promises for the upcoming year total \$23,205. Faith Promise giving: \$21,792.23.

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January 7, 2024 Finding Our Place: What's the big deal about history? Obadiah 1-9

From Genesis to Revelation, the Bible is all about our incredible God working His purposes out amidst the violence, betrayal, and tyranny of sin we construct for ourselves. We only find our place in this world when we encounter Jesus, the promise of the past, the corrective for all our current ills, and the only path to a life of meaning and substance. This is the essence of Obadiah, the shortest book of the Hebrew Scriptures.

The Backstory

God brings down the proud (Obadiah 1-4)

"The pride of your heart has deceived you, you who live in the clefts of the rock, in your lofty dwelling, who say in your heart, 'Who will bring me down to the ground?'" (Obadiah 3).

"But He gives more grace. Therefore it says, 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble'" (James 4:6 from Proverbs 3:34).

The ungodly are worse than thieves (Obadiah 5-7)

"All your allies have driven you to your border; those at peace with you have deceived you..."

(Obadiah 7a).

"But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly" (2 Peter 3:7).

Only faithfulness to God provides security (Obadiah 8-9)

"And your mighty men shall be dismayed, O Teman, so that every man from Mount Esau will be cut off by slaughter" (Obadiah 9).

"I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken" (Psalm 16:8).

"For God so love the world, the He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

