

THE MINOR PROPHETS

Obadiah:

Vengeance Is The LORD's

Obadiah 1:3-4, 12-18, 21



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | February 9, 2025

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SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

CALL TO WORSHIP | Romans 12:14-21 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | 1 Peter 2:21-24 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Upon A Life

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Power To Redeem

Made For More

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the Heidelberg Catechism:

Q. 6. Did God create people so wicked and perverse?

A. No. God created them good and in his own image, that is, in true righteousness and holiness, so that they might truly know God their creator, love him with all their heart, and live with God in eternal happiness, to praise and glorify him.

Q. 7. Then where does this corrupt human nature come from?

A. The fall and disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, in Paradise. This fall has so poisoned our nature that we are all conceived and born in a sinful condition.

Q. 8. But are we so corrupt that we are totally unable to do any good and inclined toward all evil?

A. Yes, unless we are born again by the Spirit of God.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, *Founding & Teaching Pastor*

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Just As Good

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace,
both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Obadiah 1:3-4, 12-18, 21 (ESV)

Title: Obadiah: Vengeance Is The LORD's

Teacher: Tim Rice

3 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?" 4 Though you soar aloft like the eagle, though your nest is set among the stars, from there I will bring you down, declares the LORD. ... 12 But do not gloat over the day of your brother in the day of his misfortune; do not rejoice over the people of Judah in the day of their ruin; do not boast in the day of distress. 13 Do not enter the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; do not gloat over his disaster in the day of his calamity; do not loot his wealth in the day of his calamity. 14 Do not stand at the crossroads to cut off his fugitives; do not hand over his survivors in the day of distress. 15 For the day of the Lord is near upon all the nations. As you have done, it shall be done to you; your deeds shall return on your own head. 16 For as you have drunk on my holy mountain, so all the nations shall drink continually; they shall drink and swallow, and shall be as though they had never been. 17 But in Mount Zion there shall be those who escape, and it shall be holy, and the house of Jacob shall possess their own possessions. 18 The house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau stubble; they shall burn them and consume them, and there shall be no survivor for the house of Esau, for the Lord has spoken ... 21 and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

INTRO: What is your most vivid experience with vengeance?

COVENANT LOVE, HOLY AUTHORITY

What is the LORD's relationship with His people and judgment against evil-doers?

ENVY & HATRED

What is the opposite of covenant love and a full heart?

THE MIRACLE OF MERCY

How is it possible for God to both destroy and save His enemies?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His Covenant faithfulness and goodness. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that by His steadfast love, He is true to us even in the midst of our failures.
2. How have you lived condescendingly and proudly over those around you who've failed? Confess your pride and hard-heartedness to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and soften your heart to love as He does.
3. Give thanks to Jesus that by the Cross He satisfied justice in such a way as to count us punished yet spare us from hell. Thank Him for raising us to new life, transforming us from enemies to be His true friends.
4. Who do you know that is self-righteous and hard toward those who are weak, low, or broken? Pray for them, asking the Lord to humble them so that they would see what their sin deserves and genuinely turn to Christ.
5. Read Romans 12:14-21. Ask the Holy Spirit to work into you such fullness as to drive out any discontentment or envy. *Pray for such humility – at your own forgiveness in Christ – that you are merciful to others who fail.*

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you may have.

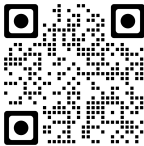


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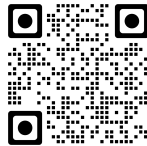


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Communication

Visit trinitylakeland.org/events to register.



ED Hour

February 9 - March 16, 9:15a
Contact [Brown Peterson](#) for details.



Churchwide Easter Picnic

April 6, 12p at Fletcher Park
Contact the Church Office for details.



SAVE THE DATES! VBS - True North

June 16-20
Contact the [Callie Sandman](#) for details.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

February 10-15, 2025

(3-year plan: read [blue](#) passages | 1-year plan: read [all](#))

Monday	Acts 5 2 Samuel 22	Genesis 29 Isaiah 21
Tuesday	Acts 6 2 Samuel 23	Genesis 30 Isaiah 22
Wednesday	Acts 7 2 Samuel 24	Genesis 31 Isaiah 23
Thursday	Acts 8 1 Kings 1	Genesis 32 Isaiah 24
Friday	Acts 9 1 Kings 2	Genesis 33 Isaiah 25
Saturday	Psalms 59	Psalms 7 Psalms 111

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Obadiah 1:17 (ESV)

17 But in Mount Zion there shall be those
who escape, and it shall be holy, and the
house of Jacob shall possess their own
possessions.

Office Hours:

Mon - Thur | 8:30a - 5:00p

Fri | 8:30a-12:00p

Sunday Worship | 10:30a

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