

Faith Lutheran Church

June 14, 2026

10:10 a.m. at Library Square

Third Sunday after Pentecost



Scoundrels, Scandals & Salvation

The Lives of Jacob and Joseph



2026 Summer Preaching Series

Gathering Music

Build My Life (CCLI #7070345)

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing; Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring; Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe, We live for You. Jesus the name above ev'ry other name; Jesus the only one who could ever save; Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe, We live for You, We live for You.

Chorus: Holy there is no one like You, There is none beside You.

Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
and fill me with Your heart, And lead me in Your love to those
around me.

I will build my life upon Your love, It is a firm foundation.

I will put my trust in You alone, and I will not be shaken.

Repeat 2x and Chorus

How Great Is Our God (CCLI #4348399)

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty. Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to
hide and trembles at His voice. And trembles at His voice.

Chorus: How great is our God, Sing with me: How great is our God.

And all will see how great, how great is our God.

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands. Beginning and the
End, Beginning and the End. The Godhead three in one, Father, Spirit,
Son. The Lion and the Lamb. The Lion and the Lamb. *Chorus*

Name above all names. Worthy of all praise.

My heart will sing How great is our God.

Repeat, Chorus

Greeting and Announcements

'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus (Trust In Jesus) (CCLI #22609)

**'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word
Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know thus saith the Lord**

***Chorus:* Jesus, Jesus how I trust Him, How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus precious Jesus, O for grace to trust Him more**

**O how sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to trust His cleansing blood
Just in simple faith to plunge me'Neath the healing cleansing flood**

**Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, Just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking Life and rest and joy and peace**

**I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus Savior Friend
And I know that Thou art with me Wilt be with me to the end**

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name, Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a fellow member of the priesthood of all believers and by the authority of Jesus Christ I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Heavenly Father, your relationship with Jesus, your Son, reveals your design for human families, yet how often our families are plagued instead by selfishness and sin. Rid our hearts of all false motives and harmful desires, that our love for one another may reflect your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sermon Text Genesis 27:1-45

When Isaac was old and his eyes were dim so that he could not see, he called his elder son Esau and said to him, "My son"; and he answered, "Here I am." He said, "See, I am old; I do not know the day of my death. Now then, take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and hunt game for me. Then prepare for me savory food, such as I like, and bring it to me to eat, so that I may bless you before I die."

Now Rebekah was listening when Isaac spoke to his son Esau. So when Esau went to the field to hunt for game and bring it, Rebekah said to her son Jacob, "I heard your father say to your brother Esau, 'Bring me game, and prepare for me savory food to eat, that I may bless you before the Lord before I die.' Now therefore, my son, obey my word as I command you. Go to the flock, and get me two choice kids, so that I may prepare from them savory food for your father, such as he likes; and you shall take it to your father to eat, so that he may bless you before he dies." But Jacob said to his mother Rebekah, "Look, my brother Esau is a hairy man, and I am a man of smooth skin. Perhaps my father will feel me, and I shall seem to be mocking him, and bring a curse on myself and not a blessing." His mother said to him, "Let your curse be on me, my son; only obey my word, and go, get them for me." So he went and got them and brought them to his mother; and his mother prepared savory food, such as his father loved. Then Rebekah took the best garments of her elder son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob; and she put the skins of the kids on his hands and on the smooth part of his neck. Then she handed the savory food, and the bread that she had prepared, to her son Jacob.

So he went in to his father, and said, "My father"; and he said, "Here I am; who are you, my son?" Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me; now sit up and eat of my game, so that you may bless me." But Isaac said to his son, "How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son?" He answered, "Because the Lord your God granted me success." Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Come near, that I may feel you, my son, to know whether you are really my son Esau or not." So Jacob went up to his father Isaac, who felt him and said, "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands; so he blessed him. He said, "Are you really my son Esau?"

He answered, "I am." Then he said, "Bring it to me, that I may eat of my son's game and bless you." So he brought it to him, and he ate; and he brought him wine, and he drank. Then his father Isaac said to him, "Come near and kiss me, my son." So he came near and kissed him; and he smelled the smell of his garments, and blessed him, and said, "Ah, the smell of my son is like the smell of a field that the Lord has blessed. May God give you of the dew of heaven, and of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of grain and wine. Let peoples serve you, and nations bow down to you. Be lord over your brothers, and may your mother's sons bow down to you. Cursed be everyone who curses you, and blessed be everyone who blesses you!"

As soon as Isaac had finished blessing Jacob, when Jacob had scarcely gone out from the presence of his father Isaac, his brother Esau came in from his hunting. He also prepared savory food, and brought it to his father. And he said to his father, "Let my father sit up and eat of his son's game, so that you may bless me." His father Isaac said to him, "Who are you?" He answered, "I am your firstborn son, Esau." Then Isaac trembled violently, and said, "Who was it then that hunted game and brought it to me, and I ate it all before you came, and I have blessed him?—yes, and blessed he shall be!" When Esau heard his father's words, he cried out with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his father, "Bless me, me also, father!" But he said, "Your brother came deceitfully, and he has taken away your blessing." Esau said, "Is he not rightly named Jacob? For he has supplanted me these two times. He took away my birthright; and look, now he has taken away my blessing." Then he said, "Have you not reserved a blessing for me?" Isaac answered Esau, "I have already made him your lord, and I have given him all his brothers as servants, and with grain and wine I have sustained him. What then can I do for you, my son?" Esau said to his father, "Have you only one blessing, father? Bless me, me also, father!" And Esau lifted up his voice and wept. Then his father Isaac answered him: "See, away from the fatness of the earth shall your home be, and away from the dew of heaven on high. By your sword you shall live, and you shall serve your brother; but when you break loose, you shall break his yoke from your neck."

Now Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing with which his father had blessed him, and Esau said to himself, "The days of mourning for my father are approaching; then I will kill my brother Jacob." But the words of her elder son Esau were told to Rebekah; so she sent and called her younger son Jacob and said to him, "Your brother Esau is consoling himself by planning to kill you. Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; flee at once to my brother Laban in Haran, and stay with him a while, until your brother's fury turns away—until your brother's anger against you turns away, and he forgets what you have done to him; then I will send, and bring you back from there. Why should I lose both of you in one day?"

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds Mackenzie Smith

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to you alone. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You alone have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, to you alone.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:1, 16-20

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. He said, "See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Dastardly Deception and Divine Destiny” Pastor Scott Grorud

Goodness of God (CCLI 7117726)

I love You Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me.

All my days I've been held in Your hands.

From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head,

I will sing of the goodness of God.

**Chorus: All my life You have been faithful. All my life You have been so,
so good. With every breath that I am able I will sing of the
goodness of God.**

I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.

In darkest night, You are close like no other.

I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend.

I have lived in the goodness of God. Chorus

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.

With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give You everything.

Your goodness is running after, It's running after me. Repeat, Chorus

I will sing of the goodness of God.

Service of Holy Baptism for **Forrest Ryan Schwartz**
son of Christopher and Calli Schwartz
Sponsors: John and Amy Nisse

Apostles' 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.

Welcome for the Newly Baptized

Pastor: God has made this new brother a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus. We receive him with love and rejoice with him at his entrance into our fellowship.

Congregation: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

Offering

Evidence (CCLI #7147432)

**All throughout my history Your faithfulness has walked beside me.
The winter storms made way for spring,
In every season from where I'm standing.**

***Chorus:* I see the evidence of Your goodness all over my life,
all over my life. I see Your promises in fulfillment all over my life,
all over my life.**

**Help me remember when I'm weak, fear may come but fear will leave.
You lead my heart to victory, You are my strength and
You always will be.**

Chorus

See the cross the empty grave, the evidence is endless.

All my sin rolled away because of You oh Jesus.

Repeat / Chorus x2

Why should I fear? Oh the evidence is here.

Doxology: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (CCLI #56204)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayers of the Church

Words of Institution

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.

Communion Songs

The Heart Of Worship (CCLI #2296522)

**When the music fades all is stripped away and I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless Your heart**

**I'll bring You more than a song for a song in itself
Is not what You have required, You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear You're looking into my heart**

***Chorus:* I'm coming back to the heart of worship, and it's all about You
All about You Jesus. I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You. All about You Jesus.**

**King of endless worth, no one could express how much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours. Ev'ry single breath**

God Is So Good (You Are Worthy) (CCLI #7100964)

**No height or depth can separate Your steadfast love who can escape
Your faithfulness an endless sea so full of grace and mercy.**

***Chorus:* We sing God is so good, God is so good
God is so good. He's so good to me.**

**Haunted by the past no more, My innocence has been restored.
Forgiveness flows from Your veins,
Your kindness shown in all Your ways. *Chorus***

**Oh there's never been anyone like You; Never been anyone like You.
You are worthy You are worthy.**

**Hope is rising like the sun, the old is gone the new has come
I fix my eyes on Christ alone. My Rock my Shield my Cornerstone.**

**God You are good. God You are good. God You're so good. You're so
good to me. God You're so good always good to me. God is so good,
He's so good to me. God You're so good, You're so good to me.**

Benediction

I Thank God (CCLI #7169680)

**Wandering into the night wanting a place to hide,
This weary soul this bag of bones. I try with all of my might but
I just can't win the fight, I'm slowly drifting a vagabond.**

***Chorus:* And just when I ran out of the road I met a man I didn't know
and He told me that I was not alone. You picked me up,
You turned me around, and placed my feet on solid ground.
I thank the Master, I thank the Savior, because You healed my
heart. You changed my name, forever free I'm not the same.
I thank the Master, I thank the Savior, I thank God.**

**I cannot deny what I've seen, got no choice but to believe.
My doubts are burnin' like ashes in the wind.
So so long to my old friends burden and bitterness.
You can just keep them moving, nah you ain't welcome here.**

**From now till I walk streets of gold I'll sing of how You saved my soul
This wayward son has found his way back home. *Chorus***

**Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free. *Repeat 3x*
Hell lost another one I am free I am free. *Chorus***

What Does This Mean?

Questions about today's worship theme.

1. What family dynamic drove Rebekah and Jacob to commit their dastardly deception?
2. What is especially heartbreaking about how Isaac was tricked?
3. Why was Isaac not able to give his blessing to Esau, too?
4. How does God's will complicate and clarify this troubling passage?

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