

**Faith Lutheran (LCMC)
Hutchinson, MN
8:00 a.m. First Word Service
July 12, 2026
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

What Does This Mean?

1. What was the ultimate source of Jacob's deep distress in Genesis 32?
2. On what did Jacob base his prayer for God's deliverance from Esau?
3. What is so disturbing about the attack Jacob experienced that night?
4. What central and essential truth does this text proclaim to Christians today?

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Scoundrels, Scandals & Salvation
The Lives of Jacob and Joseph



2026 Summer Preaching Series

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” ... LBW #343

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness .. LBW pg. 77

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, in the face of your overwhelming power and the mysteries of your will, send your Holy Spirit to free us from futile self-reliance and drive us instead to the cross of Christ, where the promise of your gracious love for sinners is fully revealed and accomplished; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sermon Text: Genesis 32:3-12,22-32; 33:1-4, 12-14; 35:1-4
L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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

Gospel Acclamation

**“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.”**

Announcement of the Gospel **“Glory to You, O Lord”**

Gospel Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Response after the Gospel **“Praise to You, O Christ”**

Sermon “God’s Power vs. God’s Promise”
Pastor Scott Grorud

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Song “If God Himself Be for Me” LBW #454
(Tune: Aurelia, #369)

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.

Offering

Offertory Response

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**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.**

LBW #565 Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711 Tune: Doxology

Prayers of the Church

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Distribution “Lamb of God” LBW pg. 92

Communion Hymns LBW #305 and 126

Benediction

Closing Hymn “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
LBW #499