

**Faith Lutheran (LCMC)
Hutchinson, MN
8:00 a.m. First Word Service
July 26, 2026
Nineth Sunday after Pentecost**

What Does This Mean?

1. Why are the two parables of discovered treasure both obvious and absurd?
2. How did Joseph continue to prosper even as a slave in Egypt?
3. Why is it important not to rush past the end of Genesis 40?
4. How does Joseph's experience point to the ultimate treasure God gives us?

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Scoundrels, Scandals & Salvation
The Lives of Jacob and Joseph



2026 Summer Preaching Series

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn..... “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” LBW #250

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness LBW pg. 77

Kyrie LBW pg. 78

Hymn of Praise “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” LBW #551

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, whose promise to us in Christ Jesus is more precious than all we could imagine or desire, fill us with faith and hold us securely in that promise, that no trial in life nor the threat of death might shake our confidence in your Word; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sermon Text Genesis 39:1-4, 6b-22; 40:1-3, 6-23

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seed Mackenzie Smith

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 13:44-52

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

Sermon “Great Worth! Debatable Value?”

Pastor Scott Grorud

Song “O Holy Spirit, Enter In” LBW #459

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

The Lord’s Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” LBW #320