

**Faith Lutheran (LCMC)
Hutchinson, MN
8:00 a.m. First Word Service
August 16, 2026
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

What Does This Mean?

1. When Joseph recognized his brothers, why do you think he chose not to tell them who he was?
2. What does Joseph's decision reveal about the nature of forgiveness?
3. What does the brothers' reaction to Joseph reveal about the nature of guilt?
4. Why is it a blessing for us if God stirs up guilt and fear as the brothers felt?

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Scoundrels, Scandals & Salvation
The Lives of Jacob and Joseph



2026 Summer Preaching Series

Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” LBW #290

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness LBW pg. 77

Kyrie LBW pg. 78

Hymn of Praise “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” WOV #771

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, in the face of unbelief, rebellion and sin, you worked genuine forgiveness and reconciliation at the cost of your Son’s suffering and death. For Jesus’ sake, continue each day to do that costly work of forgiveness in our hearts and lives, that we may be fully reconciled to you and to one another; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sermon Text Genesis 42:1-25, 29-34, 37-38

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seed Laura Stowman

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 15:21-28

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

Sermon “Family Disunion” Pastor Scott Grorud

Song “When in the Hour of Deepest Need” LBW #3303
(Tune: 230)

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 ... “On Our Way Rejoicing” ... LBW #260