



TO KNOW CHRIST AND  
TO MAKE CHRIST KNOWN

# IN GOD'S GRIP THE STORY OF JACOB

Genesis 25 - 36



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# WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH

## VISITING GRACE?

It's great to have you here today, and we'd love to connect with you! Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary where you can receive a Bible if you need one, ask any questions about Grace, and take home a gift. Visit [graceinracine.com](http://graceinracine.com) or scan the QR code on the next page to fill out a Connect Card online.

If you have something that is weighing you down today, please come down front after service and we will pray with you. You can also share your request on the connection card and our prayer team will lift your need up to the Lord.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

### PRE-SERVICE

["Who You Say I Am"](#)

Welcome Evan Petras, Student Ministry Director

### PRAISE

Call To Worship [Romans 15:8-9](#)  
["All Creatures Of Our God And King"](#)  
["On That Day"](#)

### RENEWAL

Baptism Craig Vaughn, Elder  
["Be Thou My Vision"](#)

### PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word [Genesis 25:19-34](#)  
Prayer of Illumination  
Preaching of the Word Pastor Mike Matheson

### RESPONSE

Silent Reflection  
["Who You Say I Am"](#)  
Comissioning of the Student Ministry South Africa Team  
Benediction

*We invite you to stay after the service for fellowship.  
Refreshments are available in The Commons.  
Our Prayer Team is available in the front of the sanctuary.*

# GRACE HAPPENINGS

## SUPPORT GRACE SOFTBALL

June 23 // 6:00pm  
Cliffside Park NSW Field  
414-2 (H) vs Grace Church

## MEMBERSHIP CLASS

June 22 & June 29 // 11:15am  
Room B60  
At Grace Church, membership is the way we root ourselves in the local body of Christ, like becoming part of a family. Join us for this two class series to learn about the beliefs, vision, and organization of the church.

Attendance at both classes is necessary. A light lunch of sandwiches will be provided.

## ALLIANCE FAMILY SERVICES

Annual "Golf For Life" Outing  
Monday, June 30 // 11am  
Location: The Club at Strawberry Creek, Kenosha  
Join Alliance for a day filled with fun, food, and championing the cause for life. Scan the QR code to learn more and register!



Scan here for sign-ups, and more info on items listed in the Worship Guide.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 28 - August 1 // 9am - Noon  
VBS is for all kids who have completed a year of kindergarten - grade 5 in Spring of 2025.

## VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are still in need of adult small group leaders of all ages as well as nursery and preschool volunteers!

**Teen volunteers:** The deadline to apply to serve at VBS is TODAY! Scan the QR code to fill out the appropriate form.

## DONATE TO VBS

You can donate in several ways:

- Scan the QR code to shop our Amazon wish list
- Stop by the table outside the resource room
- Help us collect:
  - 250 cardboard toilet paper rolls
  - 1000 wide/large plastic bottle caps

## GENESIS SCRIPTURE JOURNALS

Our summer sermon series will take us through the story of Jacob in Genesis. Stop by The Bookstall today to pick up a Genesis scripture journal for \$5.00 each.

## PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Caren Larsen

## ATTENDANCE & GIVING

**LAST WEEK**  
Attendance: 802  
Giving: \$16,637

**2025 GIVING**  
Year to Date: \$806,402  
+/- Budget: \$-136,557

# SERMON REVIEW DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

These questions are for *after* the sermon and can be used for Life Group discussion, one-to-one discipleship, or personal reflection and application.

As we begin studying the life of Jacob, we read about his birth and how he came to originally be granted the promised birthright of his father.

## Discussion Questions

1. As we move to the third generation since the promise God made to Abraham of a multitude of descendants (Genesis 15:1-6), what do we notice about each of the women who gave birth to the children of promise?
2. What is unique from verse 23 about the relationship the brothers will have with one another?
3. What do you notice about the parents' regard for each of the brothers? How might this have contributed to disagreements or challenges in the relationship?
4. What level of respect did Esau have for his birthright?
5. How was Jacob treating the birthright and what do you think his desire was regarding the birthright of his father?

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 22**

**SERMON  
NOTES**

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**UNEXPECTED GRACE**

[Genesis 25:19-34](#)

Pastor Mike Matheson

Next Week: [Genesis 26:1-35](#)

*About the series art:*

*The image "Jacob Wrestling With God" is a hand colored linocut by Jack Baumgartner (2004). Jack is a multidisciplinary artist, woodworker and shepherd, who, together with his wife and five children live and farm outside of Rose Hill, Kansas.*