



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 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

["Blessed Be Your Name"](#)

Welcome

Rachel Menke, Children's Ministry Director

PRAISE

Call To Worship

[1 Corinthians 15:53-57](#)

["It Was Finished Upon That Cross"](#)

["As For Me And My House"](#)

RENEWAL

Prayer of Renewal

[Psalms 85:1-13](#)

["He Will Hold Me Fast"](#)

PROCLAMATION

Reading of the Word

[Genesis 29:1-30](#)

Prayer of Illumination

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Matthew Lautz

RESPONSE

["Amazing Grace \(My Chains Are Gone\)"](#)

The Lord's Supper

Mike Zimmer, Elder

["Blessed Be Your Name"](#)

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.

CARE MINISTRY

PRAYER FOR HEALING & RECOVERY

Please pray for healing and recovery for those hospitalized or recently discharged: Jim Olson

CELEBRATE RECOVERY (CR) Meets Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Loft.

CR is a safe place to find support if you are struggling with a difficult season of life. CR is not just for addicts; it is for all of us who need to go deeper in Christ when life gets hard. Don't struggle alone - please join us for hope and encouragement every Tuesday evening.

Contact Gabe Stalker at celebraterecovery@graceinracine.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

We want to uphold you in prayer during times of need:

- Fill out a connect card online or from the seatback in front of you.
- Come down front after service Sunday morning and we will pray with you.
- Email prayer@graceinracine.com

JOURNEY GROUPS FOR WOMEN

Begins Tuesday, September 9 // 6:30pm

Meets on Tuesdays for 12 weeks

- September 9, 16, 23, 30
- October 14, 21, 28
- November 4, 18, 25
- December 2, 9

Journey Groups are communities of care where stories of pain and abuse can be spoken, heard, and redeemed. Journey groups provide opportunities to open your soul to a deeper understanding of your past, to have courage and integrity in current relationships, and to grow in connection with the Author of your story.

Scan the QR code or contact care@graceinracine.com for more information.

CARE RESOURCES

Stop by the Care Group wall for a variety of resources on topics such as:

- When Bad Things Happen
- Counseling Children Through Grief
- Broken Relationships
- Anxiety

We are here to walk alongside you in all seasons in life. Scan the QR code to share your care needs with us.

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.

In this saga of Jacob's life, we come to the moment where he arrives at his journey's intended destination in the east. While it may seem that all is going as planned, Jacob is met with significant unintended troubles. Genesis 29 lays out events that are crucial in Jacob's formation as a man of God.

Discussion Questions

1. Review: What is the significance of Jacob's dream in 28:10-17 and how does it play out in the stories of the Bible going forward?
2. Jacob travels east and ends up in Haran. Where else have we seen Haran in Genesis and why is this an important detail considering the purpose in Jacob's journey?
3. Why was Jacob so quick to act when he saw Rachel in 29:10? What was he looking to accomplish?
4. How is Jacob's time with Laban in 29:21-30 almost a direct reflection of earlier events in Jacob's life; specifically from chapter 27? What makes these troubles with Laban so formative in Jacob's life?
5. God is not mentioned at all in this passage. So how is he at work in all of this?
6. How would you be able to share Christ from a story like this? What questions might a non-believer ask if they were to focus in on this passage?

SUNDAY, JULY 20

[Genesis 29:1-30](#)

Pastor Matthew Lautz

SERMON
NOTES

THE SINNER EXPOSED

Next Week: [Genesis 29:31-30:24](#)

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 733

Giving: \$24,502

2025 GIVING

Year to Date: \$969,179

+/- Budget: \$-155,820

WAYS TO GIVE

The gospel is good news because it is a message of God's generous heart to give us everything we need for redemption in Christ. As we are good stewards of what he's blessed us with, we are worshipping him together. The giving of our finances to the local church to accomplish the vision of knowing Christ and making Christ known is one way to invest and utilize the financial resources he's blessed us with.

There are several ways to give:

Give Online: Scan the QR code and give through Church Center

At Grace: Offering Boxes can be found in the Loft and outside the sanctuary on the main level

By Mail: Grace Church // 3626 Hwy 31, Racine, WI 53405

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 28 - August 1 // 9am - Noon

VBS is a fun-filled, gospel event for all kids who have completed a year of kindergarten - grade 5 in spring of 2025.

VBS DECORATING DAY

Next Sunday, July 27 // After Service: Come help us get ready for VBS!

THANK YOU!

Our VBS Amazon wishlist has been completely fulfilled! Thank you so much to all who donated to help make this year's Vacation Bible School a success! We are so blessed by your generosity and excited to use these items to share the good news of Jesus.

CALLING ALL CLASSIC CAR ENTHUSIASTS

Do you or someone you know have a classic car you like to showcase? Grace Church would like to host a Classic Car show as a way to wrap up our road trip themed VBS. We are inviting car owners to join us in the northside parking lot after VBS on August 1st from noon until 1:30pm. We would like to invite families to stay after our closing VBS program for a time of fun and fellowship. If you are interested in participating please reach out to Eileen Hoey at runleeny@yahoo.com.

GRACE HAPPENINGS

GRACE SOFTBALL PLAYOFF GAME!

July 21 // Cliffside Park

8:10pm // NE Field

VISITING FIELD WORKERS

The "W" Family

Sunday, August 3 // 11am

Meet and encourage Grace supported field workers the "W" family who serve in a country closed to the gospel. Hear an update on their ministry, the people they serve and what life is like in the country where they live. They are also serving at VBS and will share with the kids each day.

LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS

Grace Girls and Guys is an after school program held at Julian Thomas Elementary school from September to May. Last year close to 90 students wanted to come to hear about Jesus every Wednesday afternoon. To help these students know Christ, we need an army of volunteers. Please prayerfully consider how you can serve in this local partnership. Stop by the Local Partnership table for more information or email: juliana.toutant@gmail.com.



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

NEW TO GRACE?

We'd love to meet you!

Stop by the Welcome Table outside the sanctuary and say hello.

And save the date for our next

Newcomers Gathering:

Sunday, September 21 // 11:15am.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

For 18 - 29 year olds

Get connected to the gospel and others at Grace Church.

Coming up this summer:

- Theology in the Park
- Devils Lake Trip
- Summer Showdown
- ...and more!

Scan the QR code to learn more about the Young Adult Ministry.

ENLIVEN: Senior Adult Bible Study & Brunch

Thursday, July 24 // 10:30am

Those age 55+ are invited to come for Bible study & brunch.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Six Flags Trip // Friday, August 8

Day trip to Six Flags Great America for junior and senior high students!

Scan the QR for more details.

BECOME A POD LEADER!

Invest in the lives of students on a weekly basis, volunteering as a Pod Leader, guiding students through this pivotal time in their lives. Scan the QR code to contact Evan & Miah.