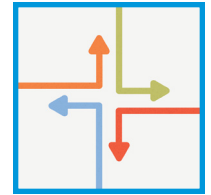


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For LFL's Frontline
January-February
2021



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“You have granted
me life and steadfast
love, and your care has
preserved my spirit.”
(Job 10:12)



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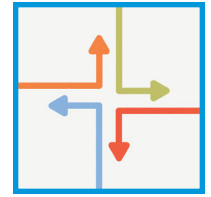
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News and Notes



- **Life Week 2021: Invisible to Indispensable!** Plan to join us each day from Saturday, January 23, through Saturday, January 30, 2021. Find out much more at lutheransforlife.org/life-week-2021.
- **Life Quotes 2021** are now available: lutheransforlife.org/resources/life-quotes.
- **New Resource: Christian Life for Christian Women (LFL305B)** – www.cph.org
- Check out word-of-hope.org and y4life.org.
- Be sure to “Like” and follow LFL on social media! See links below:

www.facebook.com/LutheransForLife
twitter.com/ForLifers
www.instagram.com/lfly4life
www.facebook.com/groups/teampageLFL
www.facebook.com/WordOfHopeHealingHearts

Also see:

www.youtube.com/user/LutheransForLife

- **Join our Facebook group for Life Chapters, Life Teams, and LMCs:** www.facebook.com/groups/teampageLFL. The group includes an idea exchange and is a place to connect with other Frontline volunteers.
- **LifeDate is a great way to share the For Life message with your congregation.** Order LifeDate in bulk quantities at no charge. (Donations for shipping cost will gladly be accepted.) Call 888.364.LIFE (5433) to order. (lutheransforlife.org/resources/journal)
- **Life News is available each month to download and print.** *Life News* is a free monthly bulletin insert with life-issue news and more. Go to lutheransforlife.org/media/life-news.



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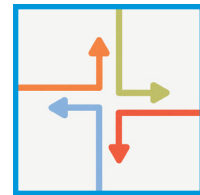
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Attention all LFL Volunteers!

Join in on the Frontline Zoom call to get LFL updates and new project ideas.

LFL Frontline Call Info:
Monday, January 11, 2021
7:00-8:00 p.m. CDT

To connect:

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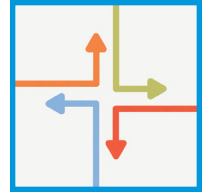
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Bible Study:

The Most Important Miracle



Sometimes we may wonder what good God's forgiveness does. It doesn't always seem like this Gospel proclamation—"Your sins are forgiven!"—makes much of a difference.

It doesn't do our dishes, cook our dinner, work our job, or fix our car. It doesn't raise our children, impress our friends, or silence our critics. It doesn't solve our conflicts, cure our illnesses, increase our intelligence, or improve our appearance. Meanwhile, we watch as someone else gets a financial blessing. We witness someone else get an answer to prayer. And someone else gets an angel visit, a conversion experience, or spiritual fire. And someone else saw a vision, heard a voice, or spoke in tongues. But all we got was this lousy forgiveness.

How can that help when folks can't afford another baby? How can that answer when the doctor says, "I'm sorry"?

Read Matthew 9:1-8. What comfort comes from the simple detail that this takes place in "His own city"? Consult Psalm 95:4-5, John 1:10-14, and Philippians 2:5-8 for clues.

What hardships do you imagine this fellow suffered as a paralytic? What difficulties does surprise pregnancy bring? How might someone suffer after an abortion? And during a terminal illness?

Look up John 9:1-3 and Romans 3:22b-24. Why doesn't the Gospel highlight how he became paralyzed?

What do Genesis 3:16-19 and 1 Corinthians 7:31b explain as the ultimate answer to why anyone suffers?

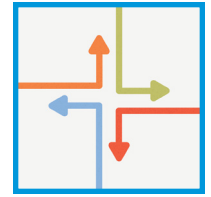
Compare with Mark 2:3 and Luke 5:19. How did the Lord care for him in his affliction?

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Bible Study:

The Most Important Miracle



Whom does God provide to accompany individuals amid surprise pregnancy? Terminal diagnosis?

What does Jesus notice first about the situation in Matthew 9:2? What does this reveal about what gives human life its real value? Check 1 Samuel 16:7, Matthew 18:8-9, and John 15:5 to illuminate.

See Luke 5:21 and James 2:15-16. Why does Jesus' statement astonish the audience? What incredible claims do Gospel-motivated voices make about unborn and impaired persons?

How do these words of Jesus provide precisely the solution to the fellow's situation? Find hints in Matthew 6:33, Romans 8:32, and Revelation 21:5.

Now check with Psalm 103:2-3, 1 Peter 2:24, and 1 Corinthians 1:18. What does forgiveness have to do with healing? How is authority over sin related to power over disease and death?

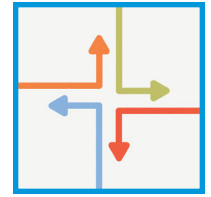
Turn to 2 Corinthians 4:7, 2 Corinthians 12:9, and Psalm 34:18. What meaning did Jesus give to the man's healing? How did this also give meaning to his hurting?

How can we embody these blessings for our neighbors dealing with life-and-death circumstances?



Hello, 2021!

by Pastor Michael Salemink



Are you ready to wave goodbye to 2020? Looking forward to saying, “Hello, New Year!”?

So much changed this year. Lutherans For Life has improved! We took advantage of people’s increased screen time and videoconferencing capabilities. We launched several new digital initiatives:

- Redesigned our websites to come across simpler, brighter, more dynamic, and mobile-ready. Check them out! lutheransforlife.org – y4life.org – word-of-hope.org
- Filled folks’ social media feeds with quick-hitting, up-to-the-minute Life Matters and Life Moments videos, applying Scripture to life-issue trends and events
- Occupied evenings with Chats4Life (engaging youth) and For Life Live (equipping adults) webinars addressing topics and opportunities in depth
- Livestreamed video of our regional conferences for Gospel-motivated voices who could not travel and made recordings of the presentations available on our YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/user/LutheransForLife)
- Life Week 2021 (lutheransforlife.org/life-week-2021), eight days of materials for coordinating household and neighborhood affirmation of life across the country
- Fielded significantly increased calls to our Word of Hope (word-of-hope.org/888-217-8679) hotline for post-abortion healing and crisis care



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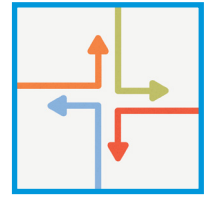
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But the best things about Lutherans For Life have consistently stayed the same:



- Uplifting articles and reflections have continued in over 150,000 copies of our quarterly journal, *LifeDate* (lutheransforlife.org/resources/journal)
- Local activism and awareness have kept on in our 150 nationwide volunteer communities, Life Chapters, and Life Teams (lutheransforlife.org/frontlines)
- Life Sunday resources stand ready for congregations to celebrate the sanctity of life “From Invisible to Indispensable” (lutheransforlife.org/store-life-sunday-2021)
- Fresh publications are rolling out, including *Teaching Children Chastity*, *Will It Hurt? Six Facts about Pain Perception in the Developing Human*, *Is Abortion an Election Issue?*, *Christian Life for Christian Women*, and *The Real Comprehensive Behind Sex Ed* (lutheransforlife.org/resources/store)
- God creating, redeeming, and calling every human life as His own precious treasure
- Changing hearts and saving lives by speaking truth and showing love

And you—we continue to need you. We rejoice over your support, encouragement, and fellowship. We believe that together we can do more and do it better.

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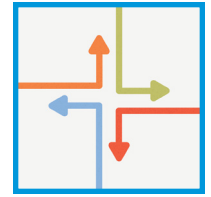
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Life Week 2021



Calling All For Life Supporters! Check out a brand new multi-generational online and in-person opportunity: **Life Week 2021: Invisible to Indispensable.**

Join us Saturday, January 23, through Saturday, January 30, 2021, to learn about, share, and build excitement For Life in your home, church, school, and community!

Each themed day will explore a distinct aspect of life ministry through local activities, online educational events, and interviews.

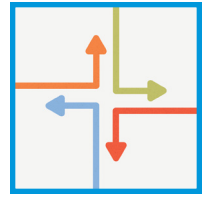
Top off the week in person or online with mountaintop experiences like the **March for Life** and **Y4Life in Washington, D.C.**

Find more news on our Facebook page and lutheransforlife.org!



One Mind/One Voice

by Deaconess Tiffany Manor, LCMS Life Ministry



I was installed into my new position as the director of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS) Life Ministry in the summer of 2020. In the months since, many of the conversations that I have with members of LCMS congregations begin with the phrase, “What is the official LCMS position on ...” and an interesting discussion on the topic at hand ensues that often involves my explanation of how the LCMS comes to have official positions. The establishment of official position statements of the LCMS follows a pattern that began in the early Church.

Since the days of the apostles, the Church has gathered in councils (Acts 15) to seek to be of one mind and to speak with one voice in applying God’s Word to issues that arise. Today in The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod we follow in those footsteps by holding conventions where God’s people gather to make decisions, walking together as local congregations organized into synodical districts. Some of the decisions that are made during modern district and synodical conventions, which occur every three years, establish the official positions of the LCMS on sanctity of human life matters. It is a very different process from that of non-profit organizations, such as Lutherans For Life, who generate position statements within a board of directors.

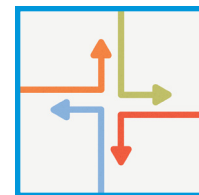


In addition to establishing the official position of the Church on particular contemporary issues, a convention also provides direction that guides the work of the Church, including that of synodical program ministry areas such as LCMS Life Ministry. Overtures submitted by congregations are a crucial part of the process that provide guidance to the work. If something is important to your congregation and you feel it is of value to the entire Church, write an overture and submit it through your district’s convention process. (Please note districts have different deadlines and submission requirements.) Circuit forums are a place where neighboring congregations can work together on submissions to a district or Synod convention. Your brothers and sisters in Christ who make up the convention floor committees will study God’s Word, consult with experts, pray about the submitted overtures, and through an organized discussion prepare the overtures to be presented to the convention for study, discussion, and vote by the delegates.

There is a proper written form for overtures that contain “Whereas” statements and then “Resolved” statements. You can see the instructions and templates for LCMS national overtures at www.LCMS.org/2022-convention-overture-instructions and www.LCMS.org/2022-convention-overture-template. For more information on upcoming 2021 district conventions, contact your LCMS district office. You can find their information on www.LCMS.org/districts. Good resolutions speak clearly and concisely



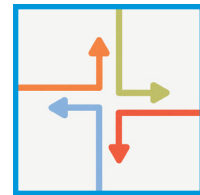
to the whole Church—and in some cases, beyond—and contain a clear and logically developed rationale that merits support for its proposed action. The process does take time and effort, but it is intended to produce quality resolutions with the purpose being that the Church would come to one mind and speak with one voice.



The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in convention has established official positions on abortion and stem cell research and has spoken out against the legalization of assisted suicide and legislation that does not value human life, along with many other issues. The LCMS in convention recently directed the Office of National Mission and LCMS Life Ministry to call a director, to sponsor conferences, and to create resources on beginning of life issues for college students and youth. Being specific in written overtures provides the path that district and synodical leadership will walk in upcoming years. This article is meant to be an explanatory summary, not a technical document; if you would like to know more about the process or resolutions on Life Ministry that the LCMS has passed in previous synodical conventions, please feel free to reach out to us at LifeMinistry@lcms.org.



State Essay Contest 2021



The **LFL State Federation Essay Contest** is for students in Grades 6 through 12. Any Lutheran student in a Lutheran school or church is eligible. Lutheran students may also enter through a home school or congregation (e.g. confirmation class, youth group) when validated by a pastor or teacher.

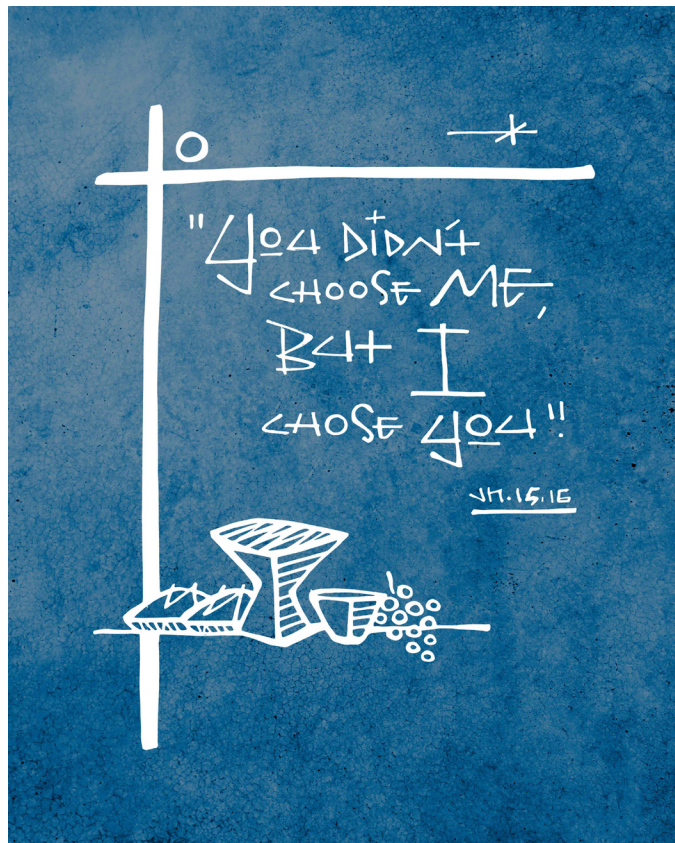
For 2021, students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme **God Chose You** based on John 15:16: **"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit."**

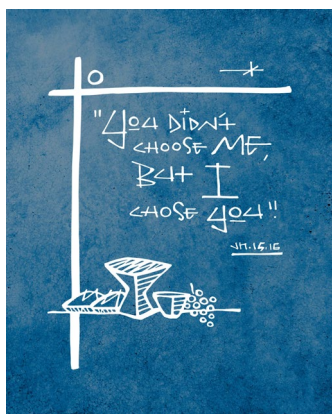
For specific state guidelines and rubrics, contact the State Federation President or Regional Director for your state. These can be found at this link on the Lutherans For Life website: lutheransforlife.org/frontlines/state-federation.

If you do not see your state, or you discover your state is not running the contest this year, please contact Rev. Jeffrey Duncan (jduncan@lutheransforlife.org), LFL Mission & Ministry Director, for information on how to enter the non-federation contest that covers the rest of the country.

Thank you for your participation!

The Council of Federation Presidents





Lutherans For Life

2021 Non-Federation States

Essay Contest

Sponsored by the Council of Federation Presidents

For students in Grades 6 through 12

Any Lutheran student in a Lutheran school or church is eligible. Lutheran students may also enter through a home school or congregation (e.g. confirmation class, youth group) when validated by a pastor or teacher.

Contest Guidelines

Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme: **God Chose You** with the Bible verse: ***“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit”.*** (John 15:16)

1. Not incorporating the theme and verse in the essay will disqualify the entry.
2. Examples of topics the essay could deal with are, but not limited to: abortion, the handicapped, adoption or foster care, infanticide, cloning, stem cell research, physician-assisted suicide, or euthanasia, etc.
3. Essays should include student's name, grade (identify school or church), and email address. All entries submitted by a teacher or pastor should include their name and email address. This information should be submitted on the rubric page used in grading the essay.
4. All sources for references, statistics, and quotes should be incorporated within the essay and then included in a bibliography at the end.

Grades 6 - 8 should submit essays up to 400 words

Grades 9 - 12 should submit essays up to 750 words

Entries should be submitted digitally using Microsoft Word or Google Docs to jduncan@lutheransforlife.org by April 1, 2021.

5. There will be a \$100 first place-award and \$50 second-place award for each of the two. The two first-place category winners will advance to the national contest. Email jduncan@lutheransforlife.org with any questions.
6. Grand Prize for the national winning entry at each level: \$250 plus free conference registration to a 2021 Regional Conference and one night stay at the conference hotel.
7. All entries become the property of Lutherans For Life.
8. For questions or resources on the sanctity of life, see: lutheransforlife.org



Rubric for Assessment of the Life Essay

(maximum of 21 points for each essay)

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ORGANIZATION Structure Transitions	Logical progression of ideas with a clear structure that enhances the thesis. Transitions are mature and graceful. The essay has a nice smooth flow between ideas.	Logical progression of ideas. Transitions are present equally throughout essay. The essay has a flow of ideas.	Organization is clear. Transitions are present in some places but may be missing in others. In places flow is interrupted or doesn't exist.	No discernable organization. Transitions are not present. Connections between ideas seem confusing or incomplete.
INTRODUCTION Background/History Thesis Statement CONCLUSION	Well-developed introduction engages the reader-creates interest. Contains detailed background information. Thesis clearly states a significant and compelling position or belief. Conclusion effectively wraps up & goes beyond restating the thesis.	Introduction creates interest. Sufficient background information is provided. Thesis clearly states the position or belief. Conclusion effectively summarizes topics.	Introduction adequately explains the background, but may lack detail. Thesis states the position or belief. Conclusion is recognizable and ties up almost all loose ends.	Background details are a random collection of information, unclear, or not related to the topic. Thesis is vague or unclear. Conclusion does not summarize main points.
MAIN POINTS Body Paragraphs, Bibliography	The main idea or thesis statement is clearly defined. There may be more than one key point. Appropriate relevant information and details are shared from a variety of sources including personal experiences, observations, feelings and prior knowledge. Supporting details are accurate, relevant, and helpful in clarifying the main idea(s). Statistics or research are used effectively. A simple bibliography gives the references for the resources used.	The main idea can be identified. The writer shares relevant information, facts and experiences. There is a clear distinction between general observations and specifics. Supporting details are relevant and explain the main idea. Research is evident and statistics are used. Missing information in bibliography.	The main idea can be identified. The writer shares some information, facts and experiences, but may express feelings without much to substantiate it. There may be problems going from general observations to specifics. Stronger support and greater attention to details would strengthen this paper. Statistics and research do little to help support the main idea. Incomplete bibliography.	More than one of the following problems may be evident: The main idea is not identifiable. The writer shares some information, but it is limited or unclear. Details are missing or repetitious. Statistics are missing. No bibliography.
FOCUS LFL Mission, Conference theme verse	The paper is in complete agreement with the mission of Lutherans for Life and focuses on the conference theme verse.	The paper is in agreement with the mission of Lutherans for Life and somewhat focuses on the conference theme verse.	The paper doesn't completely agree with the mission of Lutherans For Life and touches on the conference theme verse.	Little or no effort has been made to address the mission of Lutherans For Life and doesn't focus on the conference theme verse.
BIBLICAL ACCURACY	Several Biblical references give strong support for the main idea and are a natural part of the essay. Verses used are interpreted accurately. Citations are accurate.	Biblical references are used to support the main idea. Verses used are interpreted accurately. Citations are accurate.	There are places where a Biblical reference would have helped support the main idea. There are some problems with interpretation of the verses used. Citations are accurate.	Little effort is given to use Biblical references to support the main idea. Problems exist in the interpretation of the verses and their citations.
STYLE Writer's Voice, Audience Awareness	The paper is honest and enthusiastic. The language is natural yet thought-provoking. It brings the topic to life. The reader feels a strong sense of interaction with the writer and senses the person behind the words. Writing is smooth, skillful, and coherent. Sentences are strong and expressive with varied structure.	Writer's voice is consistent and strong. The writer is aware of an audience. The reader is informed and remains engaged. Sentences have varied structure.	Writer's voice may emerge strongly on occasion, then retreat behind general, vague, tentative, or abstract language. The writer is aware of an audience. The reader is informed, but must work at remaining engaged. Sentence structure shows some variety.	Writing is confusing, hard to follow. Language is vague. No audience awareness. No variety in sentence structure.
MECHANICS Spelling, punctuation, capitalization	Punctuation, spelling, capitalizations are correct. No errors.	Punctuation, spelling, capitalizations are generally correct, with few errors. (1-2)	A few errors in punctuation, spelling, capitalization. (3-4)	Distracting errors in punctuation, spelling, capitalization

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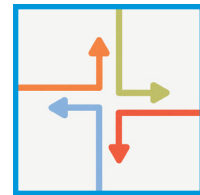
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LAMBs – Mercy Blankets



Although our world might tell us otherwise, children are truly a blessing. Lutherans For Life would like to celebrate children—especially those families with a lot of them! Through the skillfulness of some LFLers in Ohio and elsewhere, along with the Miami Valley Life Chapter, a project called “LAMBs” (**L**utherans **A**ssembling **M**ercy **B**lankets) was established.

We would like to celebrate families that are awaiting the birth of their fourth or more child by gifting them with a homemade blanket. Do you know such a family in your Lutheran church? If so, please contact Rev. Jeff Duncan, our mission and ministry director, at jduncan@lutheransforlife.org so that he can arrange for this gift to be sent to them. (Alternatively, you can fill out the form below and send it to Angela Jones of the Miami Valley Life Chapter.)

Thank you for helping us care for your neighbor in this way!

“Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward” (Psalm 127:3).

LAMBs – Lutherans Assembling Mercy Blankets

Do you know a family in your congregation who is having its fourth or more child? Wouldn't it be nice to gift them with a homemade blanket in celebration of this new life? Simply by filling out this form, Lutherans For Life, the Miami Valley Life Chapter, and other Lutherans from the state of Ohio will ensure that a blanket made with love will be sent directly to this expectant mother anywhere within the continental United States. There are no strings attached. As the Body of Christ, we want to use this as an opportunity to share the mercy that our Savior Jesus Christ first showed us on the cross.

Your Name: _____

Your Congregation: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Mother's & Father's Names: _____

Baby's Gender: Boy ____ Girl ____

Mother's Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Please send completed forms to: Angela Jones/Miami Valley Life Chapter
7163 Pugliese Place
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“He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms” (Isaiah 40:11a).





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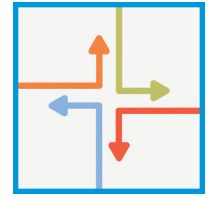
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Owen's Mission



**"A PERSON'S
A PERSON,
NO MATTER
HOW SMALL"
-DR. SEUSS**

Horton the elephant was right! The Bible agrees! In fact, the Bible says more: A person's a person created by God (Psalm 139:13-14), a person redeemed by Jesus (Galatians 3:13), and a person the Holy Spirit wants to call to be His child (1 Timothy 2:4), *no matter how small!*

Owen's Mission is a very special project of Lutherans For Life. The goal of this project is to honor Jesus by presenting a set of *Touch of Life* fetal models to every Lutheran elementary and high school in the country. We want students to understand the God-given value of each life from the moment of conception. We want students to be motivated by what God has done as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier that gives value to life. We want students to value themselves and to value others as persons because of this God-given value.



Where did Owen's Mission come from? From a very small and special baby named Owen. Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life, shares his story:

"I held my little grandson Owen in the palm of my hand. He died at 21 weeks during prenatal surgery to remove a large tumor. The nurse brought him to our son as we waited in the recovery room for Owen's mother. I find it difficult to describe what I felt when I was able to hold him. I had held the 20-week *Touch of Life* fetal model in my hands hundreds of times in front of students from preschoolers to seminarians. Holding Owen revived in me the reality behind those models. I will never hold them in the same way again."



As Owen's grandpa, Dr. Lamb wanted to do something special to remember Owen, honor Jesus, and help others understand the value God gives to even the smallest of lives. With the help of Owen's family, *Owen's Mission* was born. We are training facilitators to present these fetal model sets along with a DVD message from Dr. Lamb.

You can support Owen's Mission by encouraging your Lutheran elementary or high school to have an Owen's Mission presentation! Call 888.364.LIFE (5433) or email info@lutheransforlife.org.

lutheransforlife.org/owens-mission



Need a Speaker?



Lutherans For Life will work with you to help meet your needs for a speaker at a rally, convention, Bible study, worship service, public or parochial school, college/university, or workshop/seminar. A variety of formats are available.

General speaker guidelines (may vary by individual):

- Airfare/Mileage: Actual airfare and/or current standard IRS mileage rate to airport or event.
- Lodging: Quiet, nonsmoking hotel room.
- Honorarium: Affiliated speakers for Lutherans For Life are not in a paid position. Therefore, we ask that sponsoring groups provide an honorarium for affiliated speakers. The sponsoring group determines the amount of the honorarium. Honorariums depend on number of events. Honorariums begin at \$200.
- Meals: \$25 per day unless other arrangements are made.
- Other: A lectern will be needed. A TV, video projector, DVD player, and screen may be needed.

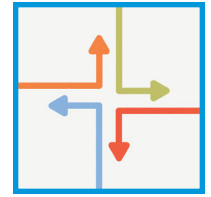


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The Basics of Lutherans For Life



Our Mission: Equipping Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life

Our Vision: Every Lutheran congregation upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same

Structure and Relationships

A local Life Chapter is a local organization that has been chartered by National Lutherans For Life. The Life Chapter is formally associated with and subject to, but not a part of, the corporation known as Lutherans For Life, Inc.

A State Federation is an organization that has been chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc., in a state where there are at least five chartered Life Chapters. In a state where a State Federation exists, the Life Chapters also become affiliated with the State Federation. This occurs automatically at the same time a Life Chapter becomes chartered by Lutherans For Life, Inc. These relationships are basically the same whether or not the Life Chapter is incorporated. Thus, Lutherans For Life consists of a network of individual entities formally associated with each other.

Membership Information

All officers of State Federations and Life Chapters and Life Ministry Coordinators must be members in good standing of Lutheran congregations and members of National Lutherans For Life.

Membership contributions are divided among the national organization, State Federation, and local Life Chapter if it is chartered.

Life Chapters that wish to include a membership form in newsletters or correspondence are asked to maintain the form and information provided by the national office.

The local Life Chapter may not establish its own membership program since LFL has a “unified membership” program. When sending a membership form to the national office, make sure the Life Chapter name and number, if chartered, is written on the form in the space provided. This will ensure that the State Federation and local Life Chapter receive the proper remittance payment.

Membership Classifications

Annual Membership

- Annual members join by making a membership donation accompanied by a completed copy of the membership form (or by joining online).

Sponsor Membership

- Sponsor members pledge to contribute a certain amount each month and to pray regularly for Lutherans For Life.
- Sponsor members receive a monthly letter from the executive director.
- Sponsor members are asked to renew their monthly pledge each year as part of the annual membership drive.

The Remittance Program of LFL

All MEMBERSHIP donations are shared with the chartered State Federation and/or local Life Chapter to which the particular members may belong. The membership donations are divided as follows:

Annual Memberships:

- 20% goes to the local Life Chapter (If there is no local Life Chapter, this 20% goes to the State Federation.)
- 20% goes to the State Federation
- 60% remains at national

Sponsor Memberships:

- 1/12 goes to the local Life Chapter (If there is no local Life Chapter, this 1/12 goes to the State Federation.)
- 1/12 goes to the State Federation
- 10/12 remains at national



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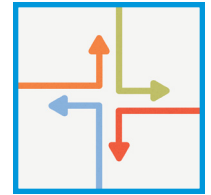
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