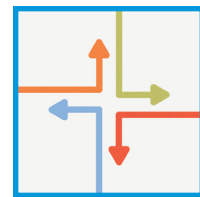


Directions ...

For LFL's Frontline
September-October
2021



Directions is sent bi-monthly to all of Lutherans For Life's Frontline—State Federations, Life Chapters, Life Teams—with Bible studies and articles on leadership, faith in action, fundraising, news and notes, and facts and stats.

“The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.” (Acts 17:24-25)

This edition of Directions includes ...

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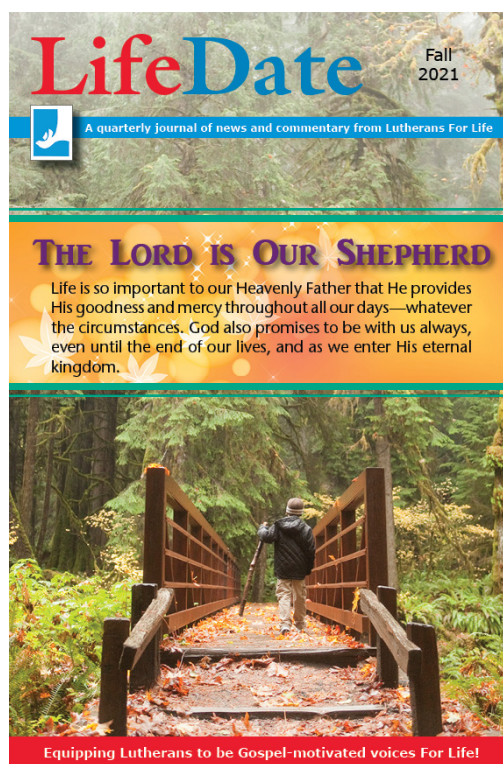
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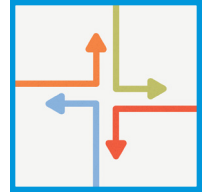
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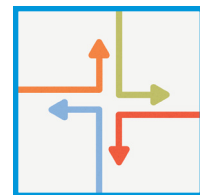


- Check out word-of-hope.org and y4life.org.
- Be sure to “Like” and follow LFL on social media! See links below:

www.facebook.com/LutheransForLife • www.facebook.com/groups/teampageLFL
www.facebook.com/WordOfHopeHealingHearts
twitter.com/ForLifers • www.instagram.com/lfly4life
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.
- **2021 Lutherans For Life Regional Conferences** – The second conference is coming up October 16 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota! lutheransforlife.org/conference
- **Y4Life in Washington D.C.** – High-school- and college-aged youth are invited to attend Y4Life in Washington, D.C., each January. In addition to walking in the March for Life, participating youth engage in LFL’s FREE Y4Life in Washington, D.C. Conference and activities where they’ll have opportunities to meet other young leaders engaged in the For Life movement, learn about life issues, hear informational and motivational speakers, and prepare to be leaders 4Life in their schools and communities. Register for this exciting educational and life-changing experience through Michelle Bauman at mbauman@lutheransforlife.org! y4life.org/programs
- **A note from Dawn Johnson, Life Ministry Coordinator for Messiah Lutheran Church in Plano, Texas:** “I do want to reassure you that, despite how crazy 2020 was with COVID-19, we have managed to stay in touch with our life-affirming community ministries. It’s been interesting, because we have learned to be flexible, change things up, and do things differently. I believe it’s made us and the relationship with our community organizations stronger as we kept in touch and adapted to doing things during a pandemic ... I also want to thank you and LFL for staying strong and consistent during a time that life-affirming ministries are needed the most.” A special thank you to Dawn and our Friends For Life at Messiah Lutheran Church! We at national Lutherans For Life appreciate the work that all of our Life Teams, Life Chapters, and Life Ministry Coordinators have done in the name of the Lord of Life during these difficult times. Blessings to all of you.





Join in on the Frontline Zoom call to get LFL updates and new project ideas:
Monday, October 11, 2021 • 7:00-8:00 p.m. CDT

Check our online calendar for Zoom login info.

The Educational Resource Manual – Digital

Edition features PDFs of many of Lutherans For Life's Bible studies, booklets, brochures, Life Sunday resources, *LifeDate* journals, and more. Also included are several life issue video files and the classic *Teaching For Life*® curricula. This USB drive is a great resource for any pastor, DCE, deaconess, principal, teacher, or layperson. The latest edition features two USB connectors on the one flash drive. One end features the standard USB connector that you can use on laptops and PCs. The other end is a choice of either a USB-C or Micro-USB connector, suitable for use with portable devices such as smartphones, tablets, and digital cameras. The protective cap is tethered to the body of the flash drive to prevent loss.
Item LFL1607USB. \$15.00 ea.

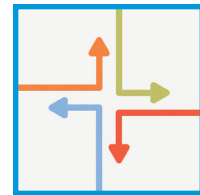


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Bible Study:

A Voice for the Voices



Gospel-motivated voices don't have it easy.

Our message overflows with joy and hope. Our hearts know the courage of God's grace and the compassion of His love. But our flesh feels anxious and ashamed because of our failings. And we face anger and isolation from the fallen world.

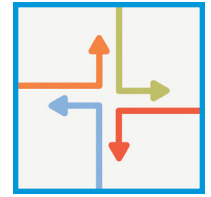
The words of our persecutors hurt. Satan tempts us to believe it's either punishment or pointless. Thanks be to God the comfort of His forgiveness isn't meant only for others. His resurrection covers us also with assurance and encouragement!

1. Why do our neighbors need our Gospel-motivated voices (Jeremiah 8:11, 23:17; Romans 16:18; 2 Timothy 4:3-4)?
2. Why do we want to give voice to God's love for every human life (Acts 4:20; 2 Corinthians 4:13; Luke 6:45)?
3. What troubles us most about this undertaking (Luke 21:16-17; Exodus 4:10; Isaiah 6:5)?
4. How do we know that our suffering doesn't come from God's punishment (Isaiah 53:5; Romans 5:9-10; 1 John 2:1-2)?
5. So what do our conversations proclaim and our interactions put into practice (2 Corinthians 4:5; 1 Corinthians 1:22-23; Luke 24:44-47)?
6. Why do we believe this will take root in hearts and bear fruit in lives (Matthew 10:20; Luke 21:15; Isaiah 55:10-11)?
7. What outcome do we eagerly anticipate (Psalm 51:13; James 5:19-20; Matthew 18:15)?
8. How does our Heavenly Father sustain us in the struggles (Matthew 5:11-12; 1 Peter 4:12-14; Ezekiel 2:5; 2 Timothy 4:7-8)?



Lutherans For Life ... Our Mission

by Pastor Michael Salemink



It's never been a better time to be Lutherans For Life.

For forty-three years we've equipped Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life. Our organization exists to help Lutheran individuals and congregations find motivation, get education, and take action to proclaim the sanctity of human life and put it into practice.

We connect the Holy Scriptures and Lutheran doctrine to life issues like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis. We've learned the words and developed the work that brings Christian care and servanthood to any place the culture uses death as a solution to difficulty or suffering. LFL's distinctive programs, materials, staff, and nationwide network share the ways God's gracious actions give worth and purpose to every person no matter what age, appearance, or abilities.

And it's making a difference.

People are listening. They are gravitating to the joy and hope our message injects into uncomfortable conversations. They are supporting us and standing with us. They are speaking truth and showing love. They are experiencing and appreciating how God creates, redeems, and calls every human life as His own precious treasure from fertilization to forever. They are receiving their neighbors with courage and compassion as gifts and privileges. We are reaching and resourcing more than ever before.

As we engage Lutherans, we're encountering others also. Our Lutheran brothers and sisters are informing, inviting, and involving those around them. We're visiting Lutheran schools where non-Lutheran students also attend. We're exhibiting at conferences that involve both Lutheran and non-Lutheran participants. We are hosting online events that non-Lutherans are watching alongside Lutherans. We're fielding inquiries from non-Lutherans interested in our ministry's unique character. We're finding opportunities to collaborate with non-Lutheran national pro-life organizations. God's blessings are aligning our mission even more closely with our vision: "Every Lutheran, both individually and in community, upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same."

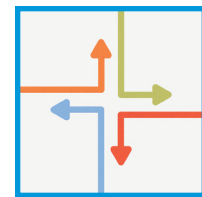
So with excitement, we've decided to adjust our mission statement. Our principles and approaches are not changing. Never will we dilute our doctrine or drift from our history. In fact, we believe we've actually honed our focus like a laser. And we remain committed to Lutherans as our primary target audience. We have many Lutheran leaders, members, and parishes to motivate, educate, and activate. But we rejoice that we are coming into contact with non-Lutherans through them and alongside them. We want to acknowledge this responsibility as integral to respecting, protecting, and celebrating every member of our race. We need our constituents to know they may collaborate with life-affirming acquaintances, organizations, and initiatives where they live.

Our staff and leaders have undertaken extended reflections and conversations. And with significant enthusiasm and unity, we've updated our mission statement for the first time in over a decade.

The mission of Lutherans For Life is to equip Lutherans *and their neighbors* to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life.



We treasure our vocation and responsibility to serve Lutherans. We've witnessed you devoting yourselves to the vocation of serving all those our Lord causes to cross your paths. We pledge to not only continue but to intensify our serving and equipping you to serve and equip them.



And we invite you to join in our delight at further dedicating ourselves to changing hearts and saving lives!



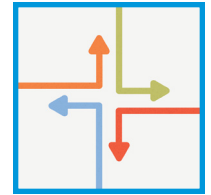
Lutherans For Life

*Equipping Lutherans and their neighbors
to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life*



Give Elderly Members a Merry Christmas

by Barbara Lane Geistfeld, D.V.M.



**“Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this:
to visit orphans and widows in their affliction ...” (James 1:27a)**

Christmas is a wonderful and special time of year for many people—especially for all of us in the body of Christ. Christmas is when we celebrate the birth of Jesus in churches filled with singing, poinsettias, Christmas-decorated trees, Advent candles, and programs populated with adorable small children dressed as camels, cows, lambs, and shepherds. Christmas is a time for families—both those related by blood and those related by faith.

But sometimes, Christmas can be a time of loss and sadness for those who are no longer able to take an active part in this holy season’s activities. That’s where you and I come in.

For many years, women of my church, Trinity Lutheran in Blanco, Texas, have assembled and delivered Christmas “goodie bags” to our members 80 years of age and older. Now the Trinity Life Team is taking over that task. Members bring in calendars for the upcoming year, lotion, warm socks, writing supplies, stamps, home-baked goodies (pre-COVID) or purchased baked goods, and any other thing they think our older members would enjoy. *(As an alternative during the pandemic, we asked for cash donations, and the Life Team purchased everything ourselves.)* The Life Team then packs these gifts into decorative Christmas bags, adds a label with the recipient’s name and address, (you get this information from your church secretary!) and places them in the narthex for congregational members to deliver. Obviously, some members take these gifts to their own parents or neighbors that live near them. For the other bags, volunteers hit the road and make sure all bags are delivered well before Christmas.

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matthew 19:19)

Loving our neighbors at any time is great, but a Christmas gift bag is so greatly appreciated by every one of the recipients. The smiles and the warmth that is shared is so very special. *(Many of our members look forward to announcing their 80th birthdays, and we look forward to honoring them with a special gift.)*

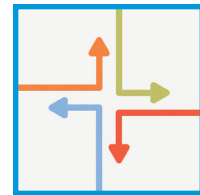
“Show respect for old people and honor them.” (Leviticus 19:32a)

May this Christmas be a special time of celebration and unity for all of us—both young and old!

Barbara Lane Geistfeld, D.V.M. is Regional Director of Texas and Life Team Leader, Trinity, Blanco.



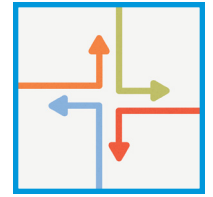
Diapers, Blankets, and More



In July, on behalf of Lutherans For Life, members of Messiah Lutheran Church in Holt, Michigan, collected 1,224 disposable diapers, some blankets, and other baby items, which will be donated to “Shared Pregnancy,” a local Christian caring pregnancy center.



Moses (The Unqualified)



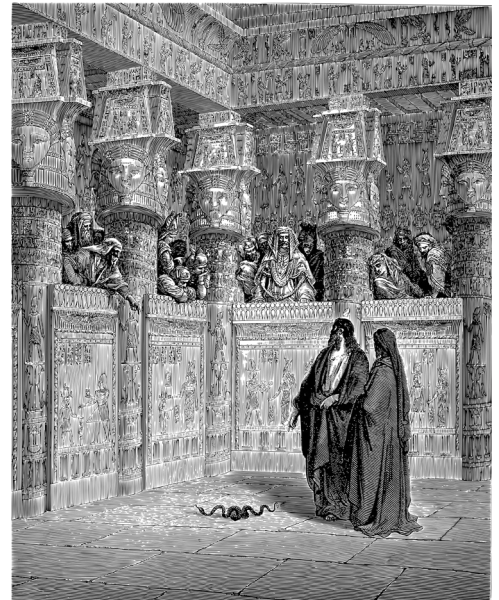
“But Moses said to God, ‘Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?’” (Exodus 3:11)

“God doesn’t call the qualified, He qualifies the called.” Saul of Tarsus, the persecutor of Jesus’ Church; Simon Peter, the big talker turned coward; Jacob, the liar and deceiver; Elijah, the pessimist and complainer—all were decidedly UNQUALIFIED to serve the God Who lives in unapproachable light.

Then there’s Moses. At first glance his resume might look somewhat impressive. After all, he did spend many years in Pharaoh’s palace, where he received a first class secular education. He also spent 40 years working as a shepherd in the Midian desert. (Taking care of foolish, stubborn sheep can be useful preparation, I suppose, for watching over God’s people.) But let’s not forget that Moses was a murderer! Moses, qualified to serve the great I AM? Hardly! Moses had reason to say, **“Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh?”**

But God doesn’t call the qualified. He calls sinners like Saul and Moses, as well as you and me. It was Saul/Paul who wrote:

“But we have this treasure [the Gospel] in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.” (2 Corinthians 4:7)



In a remarkable way God uses the fact that His servants are unqualified sinners. By using men like Moses, people are attracted to Jesus and not the jars of clay—you and me—who carry the Savior’s message. But Paul also wrote:

“For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Ephesians 2:10)

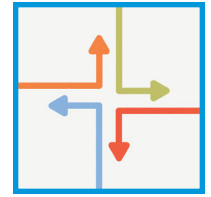
God also qualifies the called. Go back to our list of unqualified men from the Bible. Recall how the patient Lord honed, polished, and matured these men of God. Look at the great apostle God crafted out of the proud, Jesus-hating Pharisee. Behold the bold Law and Gospel preacher God fashioned out of a man who at one time wouldn’t even defend his faith before a servant girl. See the humble, compassionate, faithful prophet God made out of murderer Moses.

You and I are God’s workmanship as well. In and of ourselves we have nothing to offer God. But He gave us His Son, eternal life, forgiveness of sins, as well as the grace to serve Him. By God’s tendermercies we are qualified to serve Him now and forevermore!

(Source: www.redeemercllc.info/ministries)



Understanding and Communicating with People with Disabilities



*Created in
God's Image*

Understanding and Communicating with People with Disabilities

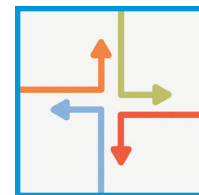
Lutherans for Life Internal Training 2021

lutheransforlife.org/sermon/understanding-and-communicating-with-people-with-disabilities

This workshop, with video and downloads, was recorded September 1, 2021, during a Lutherans For Life staff retreat in Branson, Missouri, and is intended for use by LFL staff and the LFL Frontline.



Lutherans For Life Wear – Fall 2021



A new Lutherans For Life Wear Online Store is now open for a limited time!

lflwear.orderpromos.com

Orders will be taken until October 31, at which point the site will close down, and production will begin on your items. Please allow two to three weeks for production. Shipping charges are a flat rate of \$8.45 per order.

Producing all the items at one time means we don't have to maintain an inventory and helps keep costs down.

We have been working with a promotional products rep in Ames, Brian Packard, for many years, and are excited to offer this opportunity for custom LFL clothing. We hope to offer this store several times a year and will adjust items based on the season and sales.





November 7
2021

*"I have called you
by name, you are
mine. When you pass
through the waters,
I will be *with* you."*

Isaiah 43:1-2

—stand
sunday
ONE DAY. ONE VOICE. ONE PURPOSE.

20 years of
observance

An Initiative of the Members of the Christian Alliance for Orphans ...

In 2021, the global church will come together in over 123 nations with one voice to observe the 20th year of Orphan Sunday and Stand Sunday.

On November 7, 2021, thousands of Christ's followers will embrace adoption, foster care, and initiatives to care for the vulnerable child.

Request FREE digital resources to discover your congregation's path to serve and join the Global Prayer Observance online on November 6 & 7.

STANDSUNDAY.ORG



2021 LFL Regional Conferences

God Chose You

John 15:16

Las Vegas • Sioux Falls • Conover

Lutherans For Life regional conferences allow our team to come directly to you with the For Life Gospel message. These gatherings are wonderful times spent together where we can provide valuable information and encouragement to you, your community, and the life-affirming work you are engaged in.

Please check the schedule below to see which of our 2021 conference locations is near you. We're excited to see you there!

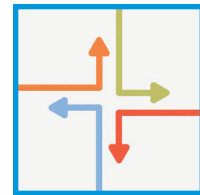
- OCTOBER 16 – Living Word Free Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, South Dakota
- NOVEMBER 13 – St. John's Lutheran Church, Conover, North Carolina

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” (John 15:16)

Find more info at: lutheransforlife.org/conference.



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
Dayton, OH 45415-1207



“He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms” (Isaiah 40:11a).





Lutherans For Life • Life Team Tools Order Form 2021

NOTE: LIFE TEAM TOOLS ARE AVAILABLE ONLY FROM THE LFL NATIONAL OFFICE.

Lutherans For Life • 1101 5th Street • Nevada, IA 50201-1816 • 888.364.LIFE (5433)

Name _____

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Daytime phone _____

Email _____

Ship to (if different):

Name _____

Address _____

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Telephone _____

ITEM #	QTY.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
LTTDVDR		Life Team Tool DVD Replacement: (Circle) 1 2 3 4	\$10	
LTTBN		LIFE TEAM TOOL BUNDLE (Includes tools 1-4 and field manuals)	\$30	
			TOTAL	
			SHIPPING	\$15
			GRAND TOTAL	

LFL Business Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. CST/CDT. Hours subject to staff availability.

Are you purchasing this for a church? Please list name and address:

Church Name: _____

Pastor: _____

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City, State, Zip Code: _____

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You may also purchase Life Team Tools by credit card by calling 888.364.LIFE (5433).

What is a LifeTeam?

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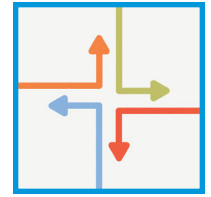
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Owen's Mission



**"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."



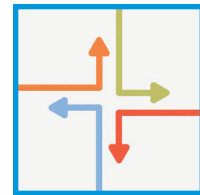
As Owen's grandpa, Dr. Lamb wanted to do something special to remember Owen, honor Jesus, and help others understand the value God gives to even the smallest of lives. With the help of Owen's family, *Owen's Mission* was born. We are training facilitators to present these fetal model sets along with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



Spotlight on Life



Spotlight on Life (lutheransforlife.org/spotlight-on-life) is a focus on featured life topics that can be presented at a local church or community gathering. Lutherans For Life staff are offering to be featured speakers and extend their expertise on the various life topics (see below).

With **Spotlight on Life**, your event will be equipping many others to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life. It's simple! You conduct the event and LFL will provide the speakers, based on availability. The cost will be minimal as we are excited to bring these life-affirming messages to your area. Whether your event is one hour, a half day, an evening or something else, LFL will be pleased to assist you in planning.

If you are interested, please contact Virginia Flo at vflo@lutheransforlife.org.

Presentation Topics

FACTORS AFFECTING LIFE AND DEATH

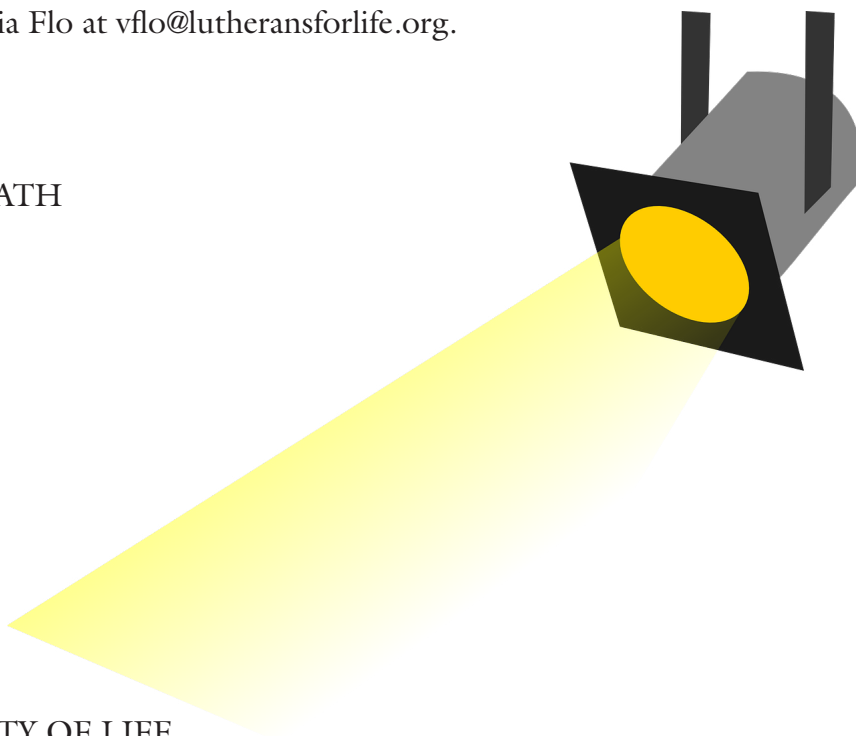
- Fetal development
- Unplanned pregnancy
- Mental health
- Physical & mental disabilities

LIFE AND DEATH

- Abortion
- Suicide
- Assisted suicide & euthanasia
- Fertilization to natural death

FACTORS REGARDING THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

- For-Life apologetics
- Human-trafficking
- Sexuality & gender
- Family



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.

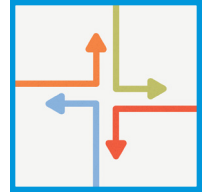


Speakers:

Jean Amundson (nationwide – based in Cleburne, Texas)
Linda D. Bartlett (nationwide – based in Iowa Falls, Iowa)
Rev. Paul M. Clark (nationwide – based in Fowler, Michigan)
Connie Davis (nationwide – based in Macomb, Michigan)
John Eidsmoe (nationwide – based in Pike Road, Alabama)
Kim Hardy (nationwide – based in Grand Haven, Michigan)
Kristi Hofferber (nationwide – based in Bethalto, Illinois)
Kimberly Ketola (nationwide – based in Peachtree City, Georgia)
Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb (nationwide and Canada – based in Marshalltown, Iowa)
Sheila Luck (nationwide – based in Scandinavia, Wisconsin)
Marie K. MacPherson (Minnesota and border states – based in Mankato, Minnesota)
Ryan C. MacPherson (nationwide – based in Mankato, Minnesota)
Allen Quist (within Minnesota and Iowa – based in St. Peter, Minnesota)
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The Basics of Lutherans For Life



Our Mission: Equipping Lutherans and their neighbors 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



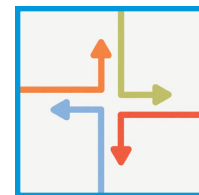
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