

## **BELONGING FRONTLINE PLAYBOOK SPEAKER BIO**

### **Rev. Michael Salemink “Blessed as a Gift”**

Rev. Michael W. Salemink began serving as Executive Director of Lutherans For Life in January 2016. He received a B.A. in Theology from Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, Illinois, in 1999 and a Master of Divinity from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana, in 2003. He has served as pastor of St. John’s Lutheran Church, Webster, Minnesota (2003-2005), and as associate pastor of St. James Lutheran Church and School in Lafayette, Indiana (2005-2015). Pastor Salemink and his wife, Heather, have been married since 2000 and reside in St. Louis, Missouri, where they attend Immanuel Lutheran Church, Olivette, with their three sons: Christian, Nathan, and Luke. Pastor Salemink writes regularly and speaks nationwide, equipping Lutherans and their neighbors to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life.