Lutherans For Life of Michigan



November/December/January 2023-24

President's Column by Pastor Paul Clark, President of Lutherans For Life of Michigan

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, in his poem *"The Day Is Done"* makes a reference to the poets and songwriters of old, who comfort us through their words. Longfellow writes:

Such songs have power to quiet

The restless pulse of care, And come like the benediction

That follows after prayer.

The road that we as *Lutherans who stand for Life* have trod is long, and often very weary. We are especially aware of that now with the anti-life climate in the State of Michigan. Yet, we march on, weary but not defeated. We are deeply saddened by the lack of empathy for the most vulnerable among us, and yet we are not surprised. We know that the dark shadow of Satan still falls over this world, and that in that shadow there is much pain, sorrow, and anguish, and of course, just plain evil in this world. The open season on our unborn babies in Michigan is solid evidence of that.

Yet there *is* **light**. There *is* **joy**. There *is* **hope**. Because this world was invaded by God in Jesus Christ, who came into this world to save sinners. Hebrews 2:14-15 reminds us of this imperishable truth: *"Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong*

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LFL Vision Statement: Every Lutheran, both individually and in community, upholding the God-given value of human life and influencing society to do the same.		
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(The President's Column, continued from p.1)

see clearly through the smoke and stench of this twisted, hate-filled, lie-driven culture of death that surrounds us, we do so with the words and melodies of the great songs of faith dwelling in our hearts, resounding in our ears, and pouring forth from our lips.

"On Christ, the solid Rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand."

"I know that my Redeemer lives, what comfort this sweet sentence gives....He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death."

"Christ has risen! Christ has triumphed! ALLELUIA!"

"Awake, my heart, with gladness, see what today is done; Now after gloom and sadness, Comes forth the glorious sun!"

"Entrust your days and burdens to God's most loving hand......Take heart, have hope, my spirit, and do not be dismayed; God helps in every trial, and makes you unafraid. Await His time with patience through darkest hours of night, until the sun you hoped for delights your eager sight."

"This world's prince may still scowl fierce as he will, he can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done: One little Word can fell him."

Sing the songs of the faith. Hurl them against the darkness of the world, the devil, even your own sinful flesh. God is good, and He is the Lord of Life. Armed with His Word, and comforted by the songs of the faith, we will *not* grow weary, we will *not* give up the fight, and we will *never* stop speaking of the hope that is in us.

The Lord's benediction rests upon us. *HE* blesses us. *HE* keeps us. Lift up your heads. Speak for those who cannot speak for themselves. *Sing! Pray! March on!* **IN JESUS!** *Amen*.

The Editor also recommends the hymn Lord of Our Life (LSB 659, text and tune public domain):

1 Lord of our life and God of our salvation, Star of our night and Hope of ev'ry nation: Hear and receive Your Church's supplication, Lord God Almighty.

2 See round Your ark the hungry billows curling; See how Your foes their banners are unfurling And with great spite their fiery darts are hurling, O Lord, preserve us. 3 Lord, be our light when worldly darkness veils us; Lord, be our shield when earthly armor fails us; And in the day when hell itself assails us, Grant us Your peace, Lord:

4 Peace in our hearts, where sinful thoughts are raging, Peace in Your Church, our troubled souls assuaging, Peace when the world its endless war is waging, Peace in Your heaven.

Michigan March For Life in Lansing

Wednesday, November 8th

Some of you will receive this newsletter in time for one more reminder of the Michigan March For Life. We hope to see you there AND at Hope Lutheran Church in DeWitt afterward for refreshments and to hear from national LFL Executive Director Pastor Michael Salemink!

This is an excellent opportunity for advocates of life of all ages and political persuasions from across the state to join with one voice on behalf of the defenseless! This rally and march are suited for all levels of experience and comfort with advocacy. (from https://marchforlife.org/michigan-march-for-life/)



News from Loving Arms, Macomb County Chapter of LFL

By Karen Hoerauf, President of Loving Arms

Compassion Pregnancy Center on Gratiot, Mt. Clemens was given a large donation of Board Books by a member of Loving Arms. The Pregnancy Center gives mothers clothing and diapers for their babies. Including a Board Book allows mothers to read to their little ones and encourages the love of books.

October 1 Life Chain at St. John Lutheran in Fraser included adults and children. What a beautiful day to join together in prayer for the unborn, and all Life issues. The children had fun keeping a tally of how many thumbs-up and horn honks to show support of LIFE. The total was 35 in one hour!

Grateful for our Veterans: Theodore Niedbala, the uncle of one of our supporters, died just days before his 108th birthday! He served our country in France during World War II. We thank God for all those who fought and currently are in the USA military.

Thank you to all those who support the ministry of LIFE through their prayers and financial support of Lutherans for Life and the Loving Arms chapter.

Corrections and Updates

Zion Lutheran Church participated in the annual Diaper Drive but was not listed in the previous issue. We apologize for the error.

Additional Diaper Drive Report: St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church in Port Hope participated in the Diaper Drive and was able to donate over 1,000 diapers and wipes to Alternatives Pregnancy Center in Bad Axe.

Thanks be to God for all the generous donations during this year's Diaper Drive and for the families who will be supported and cared for through these donations!

Word of Hope

LFL's Post Abortion Healing Ministry We can help, contact us at: 1-888-217-8679 www.word-of-hope.org help@word-of-hope.org

Pregnancy Resource Centers in Michigan

There are more than 150 locations in Michigan that offer pregnancy and adoption help services. **(Find them at www.rtl.org/pregnancy-help)**

Legislative Report

(from Right to Life of Michigan Take Action Update)

State Senate Committee Ignores Will of Voters, Pushes Reproductive Health Act Threatening to Remove Longstanding Protections for Women and Children

New Poll Demonstrates Overwhelming, Increased Support for Long-Standing Abortion Regulations

On Tuesday, October 17, proabortion Democrats on the Michigan State Senate Housing and Human Services Committee voted in unison to send central elements of the dangerous Reproductive Health Act (RHA) to the Senate Floor for a vote. The 8-3 vote was along party lines with every Democrat voting in favor of repealing long standing health and safety regulations, and the three Republicans voting to keep the protections in place. This brazen action comes on the heels of new polling data from the Marketing Resource Group, LLC (MRG) which demonstrates overwhelming support for longstanding legal protections for women seeking an abortion, protections now threatened by RHA passage. (MRG MI Poll, Fall 2023, October 2-8, 2023, MOE 4%)

The RHA removes informed consent and 24-hour waiting period protections, strips abortion clinic licensing regulations, including regulations that ensure clinic hallways are wide enough for EMS workers and a stretcher in the case of an emergency, eliminates the requirement for sanitary humane disposal of fetal remains, removes transparency for the abortion industry by eliminating abortion reporting, and more. Currently, the bill to eliminate the barrier to using taxpayer dollars to pay for other people's abortion is stalled in the State House and not included in the Senate package of bills.

New polling data released on October 16 from MRG demonstrates overwhelming support for existing regulations threatened by central portions of the RHA:

72% of Michigan voters want the 24-hour waiting period with allows for informed consent to remain in place. This is up from 63% in May. A stunning 95% of Michigan voters support abortion clinic health and safety regulations. This is up from 90% in May.

The RHA now sits before the full Senate for a vote while stalled in the House. Right to Life of Michigan implores all Michigan state senators to VOTE NO on the Reproductive Health Act in an effort to protect a woman's right to know and hold abortion clinics to basic health and safety standards for medical care.

TAKE ACTION, Call Your Legislators!

Check Out These Easy Ways to Give!

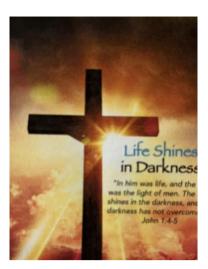
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Lutherans For Life of Michigan 2024 Essay Contest

Sponsored by the Council of Federation Presidents

For Students in Grades 6-8 and 9-12

Any student in a Lutheran school or Lutheran congregation, when validated by a teacher or pastor, is eligible. Students may also enter through a Lutheran home school, when validated by their Lutheran pastor.

Contest Guidelines

Students will write a life-affirming essay based on the theme: Life Shines in Darkness with the Bible verse: "In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." John 1:4-5

- 1. Not incorporating the theme and verse in the essay will disqualify the entry.
- 2. All essays must include a title. Using the theme as the title is acceptable, although it does not count as using the theme within the essay, which is required.
- 3. Examples of topics the essay could deal with are, but are not limited to, abortion, disabilities, adoption or foster care, infanticide, cloning, stem cell research, physician-assisted suicide, euthanasia, etc.

Grades 6-8 essays should be up to 400 words Grades 9-12 essays should be up to 750 words

- 4. Essays should include the student's name, grade, school or church, email address, and phone number as well as the name and email address of the student's teacher or pastor.
- 5. All sources for references, statistics, and quotes should be incorporated within the essay and then included in a bibliography at the end.
- 6. Entries should be a Word document and submitted by email to <u>schaidtl@gmail.com</u> by February 28, 2024.
- 7. The First Place winner in each grade level division will receive a \$150 prize and advance to the national contest. The Second Place winner in each grade level division will receive a \$100 prize.
- 8. Grand Prize for the national winner in each division: \$250 for first place plus free conference registration to the 2024 Lutherans For Life conference and one night stay at the conference hotel. \$125 for the Second Place winner in each grade division.
- 9. All entries, including exclusive copyright, become the property of Lutherans For Life.
- 10. For questions or resources on the sanctity of life, see <u>lutheransforlife.org</u>



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.Transi- tions are present in some places but may be missing in others. In places flow is inter- rupted 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 informa- tion is provided. Thesis clearly states the position or belief. Conclusion effectively summa- rizes topics.	Introduction adequately explains the background, but may lack detail. Thesis states the position or belief. Conclu- sion is recognizable and ties up almost all loose ends.	Background details are a random collection of informa- tion, 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. Appro- priate relevant information and details are shared from a variety of sources includ- ing 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 givs the refer- ences 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 identi- fied. The writer shares some information, facts and experi- ences, 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. Statis- tics 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 agree- ment 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 confer- ence 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 inter- preted accurately. Citations are accurate.	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 enthu- siastic. The language is natural yet thought-provoking. It brings the topic to life. The reader feels a strong sense of interac- tion 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 lan- guage. 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, capital- izations are correct. No errors.	Punctuation, spelling, capital- izations are generally correct, with few errors. (1-2)	A few errors in punctuation, spelling, capitalization. (3-4	Distracting errors in punctua- tion, spelling, capitalization

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ORGANIZATION		Church/School		Grade
INTRODUCTION/CONCLUSION		Address		
MAIN POINTS		Address		
FOCUS		City	State	Zip
BIBLICAL ACCURACY		Student Email Address		
STYLE		Phone Number		
MECHANICS		Phone Number		
TOTAL POINTS		Teacher/Pastor	Email	

	Church/School			_Grade	
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	Student Email Address				
-	Phone Number				
	Teacher/Pastor	E	mail		

Two Fond Farewells



We thank Earl Iseler for his many years of service as Treasurer of Lutherans For Life of Michigan. His organizational skills, financial acumen, clear communication, and program ideas have been instrumental in the function and productivity of this State Federation of LFL. Beyond that, his voice of wisdom, faith, and friendship hold value beyond measure for this Board and will always be treasured.



We thank Jennifer Connelly for all her work as Secretary of Lutherans For Life of Michigan. Her dedication and attention to detail kept the Board organized and enabled plans of this State Federation to come to fruition. Her kindness and heart of service inspire us all, and we will continue to cheer her on in all her future endeavors.

The Lord's peace be with you both always, dear Friends For Life!

With Love,

The Board of Lutherans For Life of Michigan

What's Happening...



Pictured left: LFL of MI President Pastor Paul Clark rejoiced to meet Madison Ford, the winner of the 2023 LFL of MI Essay Contest, and to present her with the 2nd Place Award for the National LFL Essay Contest! (submitted by Pastor Paul Clark)

Pictured right: St. John's Lutheran Church Grand Haven Life Team and friends gathered at the 40 Days Prayer Vigil in Grand Rapids on October 3rd at the local Planned Parenthood. *(submitted by Paula Cate)*





Pictured left: A group from Our Savior Lutheran Church in Lansing and friends joined in the Life Chain in October. (submitted by Pastor Paul Clark)

Pictured right: Pastor Clark spoke at the Northern Lights LWML Zone Rally in September. Pictured left to right are Pastor Brennan Woell, Nancy Shimek, Marcia Bremer, and Pastor Paul Clark. *(submitted by Pastor Paul Clark)*



... in Michigan?



Over 50 people gathered for the 4th lap of the 7 Sundays Interfaith Jericho March with Sue Boyd the 40 Days for Life Flint campaign director and Silent No More Regional Director (*submitted by Jennifer Connelly*)

In October, many from Michigan (pictures below submitted by Pastor Paul Clark) attended the national Lutherans For Life Conference at The Creation Museum and The Ark Encounter. The theme of the conference was Fearfully and Wonderfully Made and it included the following keynote speakers:

- **Rebecca Kiessling** President of Save the 1 Rebecca is an international pro-life and adoption speaker, founder and president of Save the 1, an attorney, wife, and mother of eight children, including three adopted children. Rebecca specializes in advocating for the life of children conceived in rape. Join us to hear her deeply personal connection to these life issues and how to find God in the heartache.
- Rev. Mark Chavez Chair of NALC Life Ministries; Pastor of Reformation Lutheran Church, Lancaster, PA
- Patricia Engler Christian apologetics speaker, author, and podcast host for Answers in Genesis (AiG).

For more information and for recordings from the conference, visit <u>https://lutheransforlife.org/2023-lutherans-for-life-national-conference-audio-and-video</u>.



Spotlight on a Life Team

The Life Team at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Clinton Twp. By Lauren Schaidt, Life Team Leader

The St. Luke Life Team was formed in 2015 to provide education and resources about a variety of For Life topics, such as abortion, adoption, caring for people who have disabilities, sexuality, family, end of life care, and more. In all these topics we, as an extension of Lutherans For Life, are gospel-motivated voices For Life. We value all human life as a gift from God from conception to natural death and, therefore, seek to support all human life in our beliefs, words, and actions. Annually, we participate in Life Sunday with a table of resources available, the annual Diaper Drive, and the Life Chain in October. In the last few years, we have held a movie event in the Spring. Our largest event is the Speaking the Truth in Love on Life Issues series, held on a Saturday in September each year. We have welcomed speakers and resources on a variety of topics, including abortion, end of life issues from legal and healthcare perspectives, hospice, life-affirming voting considerations, the amazing work of pregnancy resource centers, creation, vocation, God's good design of gender and marriage, and the history and current state of sex education in schools. Below are photos from this year's event.

Our Life Team is blessed with faithful, dedicated volunteers who serve in the needed roles of Life Team Leader, Secretary, Treasurer, as well as Leaders of Hospitality and Refreshments, Sunday Coffee Hour to raise funds, Set Up/Clean Up, and Technology. We are also blessed with a pastor and congregation who support our efforts and join us in upholding the value of human life.

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Pictured below left to right: Audrey Werner, Christa Petzold, and Lauren Schaidt



A Life Team is a Gospel-motivated group of church members that communicates and shares the abundant love of Christ, in life issues within the church, and outward into the community. Members are equipped through specialized training to be a relational conduit of expertise and practical resources pertaining to the multifaceted aspects of life ministry.

These teams are designed to help the pastor with what otherwise might be an overwhelming task. Life Teams are unified, trusted teams that the pastor can utilize to provide life-issue expertise, consistent initiatives, and access to dedicated resources. A Life Team will also help the pastor engage and inform the congregation from the pulpit, through Sunday school, and through youth and adult education about the importance of protecting the sanctity of human life at all stages.

To find out more about starting a Life Team, contact Virginia Flo, Director of Volunteer Relations at <u>vflo@lutheransforlife.org</u> or 651.333.0337.

(From https://lutheransforlife.org/frontlines/life-teams)

Upcoming Events

Life Sunday is January 21, 2024 – Go to <u>https://lutheransforlife.org/store-life-sunday-2024</u> for resources including many free downloads and <u>https://lutheransforlife.org/life-week-2024</u> for LFL video presentations and activities!

2024 LUTHERANS FOR LIFE REGIONAL CONFERENCES

(FROM WWW.LUTHERANSFORLIFE.ORG/CONFERENCE) Join Us in 2024! Just As ... I AM

> September 14, 2024 **Regional Conference Northeast** Immanuel Lutheran Church Bristol, Connecticut (Hartford area)

> October 12, 2024 **Regional Conference Midwest** Hope Lutheran Church and School Shawnee, Kansas (Kansas City area)

November 9, 2024 **Regional Conference Southeast** Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Winter Garden, Florida (Orlando area)

A Message From the Treasurer, Earl Iseler

We welcome Brendan McMahon as the new Treasurer as of January 1, 2023. I praise and thank the Lord for the opportunity to serve as your Treasurer and for all of your generous donations! The Lord has richly blessed our ministry through your generous donations. Lutherans For Life of Michigan would like to discuss providing seed money for your congregation to start a Life Team. We would also like to discuss sponsoring a Life Issues event at your congregation. Please contact Pastor Paul Clark, Earl Iseler, or any of the members of the Board to initiate discussions. Contact information for all Board members is provided inside the front cover of the newsletter.

Remittance envelopes with Brendan's address are provided in this issue.

Please continue to send your donations to my address until December 31, 2023. After January 1 please discard any envelopes with my address.

Lutherans For Life of Michigan Treasurer

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When we have an account with another service, that error message will be eliminated.. Thank you for your patience.

The "I WANT TO SPEAK FOR LIFE" form provided below is to give a donation to National Lutherans For Life in Nevada, IA. When using that form you need to provide your own envelope and mail it to the address shown on the bottom of the form. Lutherans For Life of Michigan is part of Lutherans For Life but we have separate budgets and bank accounts. The National office has paid staff members but Lutherans For Life of Michigan has no paid staff. National LFL sponsors conferences and develops resources to be used throughout the United States and other countries. LFL of MI provides educational information and sponsors events and conferences in Michigan churches, schools, and communities.

I WANT TO SPEAK OUT FOR LIFE!			
I want to become a member of LFL (Please select a membership category.)			
Annual: \$35 \$50 \$75 Other \$ (A donation of any amount will enroll you as an annual member of LFL.)			
Sponsor: I commit to a monthly gift of \$ (Annual & Sponsor contributions to LFL are tax- deductible.)			
I'm not interested in membership, but am enclosing a contribution of \$ to support the national efforts of LFL.			
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City, State, Zip Phone #			
Chapter Name/# (if applicable) Occupation			
Congregation			
Church Body (Synod) AALC AFLC CLBA ELCA LCMS Other			
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In the Next Issue... Quotes

Life Sunday Life Week 2024 Legislative Report	"For it can be easy on Thanksgiving to be thankful for the things, thankful for what we are and have, but thankfulness in faith cries out to God, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on me!' and falls on its face at Jesus' feet, giving thanks to Christ." <i>Rev. Cody Cooper, Guest Speaker on</i> <i>"The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from</i> <i>Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org</i>	
What's Happeningin Michigan	"In view of God's display of love in Advent and Christmas, we gladly unite to praise Him. Christmas brings out that unity as we join with	
Upcoming Events	Mary and Joseph and shepherds and angels to glorify our Savior as one united family. For this reason, we pray as Paul did, 'May the God of	
And More!	hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him." Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org	