Our mission

› To share biblical teaching regarding the sanctity of all human life, with a clear Law and Gospel approach, according to the confessional witness of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

› To create an awareness of sanctity of life concerns with regard to abortion, euthanasia, chastity, care of people with disabilities, adoption and family life, and education and medical research.

› To teach the consequences of abortion and encourage the spiritual, emotional and physical care of those who experience post-abortion syndrome.

› To provide accessible information to laity, clergy and the media regarding life matters.

› To serve as a resource to LCMS congregations and districts that seek to address pro-life concerns in their communities.

› To provide encouragement and support for social ministry agencies as they care for those facing life decisions.
Sanctity of Life

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod’s (LCMS) Life Ministry upholds the sanctity of human life. Through a variety of domestic and international programs, LCMS Life Ministry supports and encourages life “in the image of God,” through pro-life and chastity programs, advocacy and teaching. The ministry also coordinates the church’s presence at the annual National March for Life in Washington, D.C. Through its work, LCMS Life Ministry trumpets the message that life is sacred and all people matter to God.

Leadership and Outreach

› Through the LCMS website and social media channels, the ministry offers regular updates on public policy and legislative matters affecting and reflecting society’s attitude toward life issues, always with the prayer that our church body will be better poised to offer a witness on behalf of the sanctity of life.

› Organizes and leads the LCMS Life Committee, a coalition of some of our church’s best theologians and ethicists, to thoughtfully lead the church in valuing the sanctity of all human life.

› LCMS Life Ministry presents congregational workshops, seminars and conferences on a variety of life issues and Christian chastity workshops for youth.

› LCMS Life Ministry leads the ever growing presence of Lutherans among the tens of thousands of other pro-life supporters at the annual National March for Life in Washington, D.C.

› Active on the board of the National Pro-Life Religious Council in Washington, D.C., providing leadership to our nation along with leadership from other pro-life church bodies and organizations.

› LCMS donors provide ongoing leadership mentoring and support funding for two international Lutheran crisis pregnancy centers in Russia and Malaysia.

Resources

LCMS Life Library
www.lcms.org/lifelibrary
This free, online resource offers more than 250 papers, articles and information on sanctity of life matters, including abortion, adoption, bioethics, end-of-life decision-making, marriage, sexuality and vocation.

LCMS Life Speakers Bureau
www.lcms.org/lifespeakers
Our online directory includes biographies and sample sanctity of life topics our speakers can address from a distinctly Lutheran perspective. Also find information on how to contact the speakers and logistical information.

LCMS Life Sunday
www.lcms.org/lifesunday
To help your congregation plan and celebrate its observance of the church’s annual Life Sunday, check out our online collection of downloadable resources, including worship materials, educational tools and bulletin inserts.