



A Sacred Trust

God's Gift Of Life

WELS Lutherans for Life

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Where Can I Go?

Katrina came to our center for the first time in 2013 needing diapers for her babies. During that visit she received a small Bible. She continued to return for diapers and other needs over the course of time. On a recent visit, she cheerfully announced that she had read her whole Bible.



Katrina read her whole Bible

When Katrina first came she was not involved with any church at all. After reading her Bible, she let us know she was looking for a church and wanted to have her three children baptized. We put her in touch with the pastor of a WELS church near her home.

Now, we eagerly wait to see her again and encourage her on her faith walk, but we especially look forward to seeing her and her children in heaven someday because she was led to faith through God's Word—the Life-giving Word contained in a little Bible generously donated to this ministry of LIFE.

Clients Tell Us

“Going to Associated Pregnancy Services was a great experience because the people there actually care about you. They take the time to listen and give great information and options to give you hope! If you are facing an unplanned pregnancy call them for caring confidential help. Thank you for your services!”



A happy mom and her two-week old

“Associated Pregnancy Services in Milwaukee was very helpful in giving me wonderful insight on my pregnancy and options I had. Thank you for taking your time for me. It was nice not being judged and everyone that helped me at Associated Pregnancy Services was very loving and caring.”

“Associated Pregnancy & Abortion Information Services is fine and a welcoming environment. Everyone was very helpful and non-judgmental. They are also caring and the services are free.”

Share Your Story...

Everyone loves a good story, and stories can encourage others to become involved and engaged.

We routinely share stories of the women, men, and children we serve, along with the struggles of their journey and the joys of their working with WELS Lutherans for Life. We'd love to tell the story of our partners in this vital work, too. *We'd love to tell your story!*

Are you Pro-Life?

Have you been affected by abortion in some way?

Do you have a story to tell about how life-affirming work affected your life?

Please take a few moments, go to www.alife2.com/share-your-story.html, and jot down your story--how you are connected to WLFL, how this ministry has made a difference in your life, the life of a family member or friend, or in your community. We are interested in your story and experiences, and we'd like to share them. Thanks. We look forward to learning more about you!

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“To share the gospel of Jesus Christ through compassionate care, information, education, and support services while empowering women and men to make informed, life-affirming decisions about lifestyle and pregnancy issues.”

Encouragement from a Friend

Every once in a while we receive an encouraging note from someone. Whether it is sent in with a gift, e-mailed, or shared via Facebook it's always great to see these messages. Here's a recent one:

"Hi Peter and everybody involved in doing this wonderful work for such an important cause. We are praying that God blesses your efforts and continues to encourage you every day! In Him, M&B"

Thanks for the uplift! We need that.

The Value of Time

We're living in a fast-paced world with people busy on every kind of electronic device, trying to stay connected. Yet all of us still want to know people will give us their time. This is especially true in this ministry where young people come in our door with brokenness wondering if they have any value at all.

Of course, no one will come to us asking, "Do I have value?" Instead, they ask this question by telling us their stories. We listen, empathize, and respond in love; they know we care. When we do this we are giving them the precious gift of our time.

If you wonder why we are seeing a new culture of life spring forth (a recent poll indicates millennials are more pro-life than the previous generation), one of the surprising reasons is that ministries like ours are actually listening, giving our time to those we see.

Those who offer abortion have no time. They do not have the time to stop and delve into the lives of those they see. They have a product that must be sold at

all costs, and quickly, so the next person can be rushed through the process.

We have nothing to sell, but we do have hope to give.

We do this by offering a listening ear and a calming voice in the midst of a storm. Many who come to see us have never known a person who would stop and take the . . . time . . . to walk beside them in one of the most difficult moments of their lives.

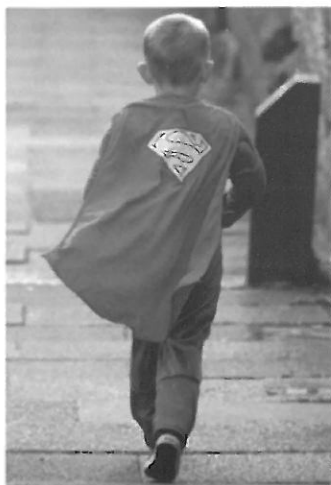
Time. We offer this gift to those we see because of your support. And because we do, lives are being changed, one at a time. Thank you for your gifts!



For Life in Christ,

Peter Georgson
Peter Georgson

Life-A-Thon - THANKS!



Life-A-Thon 2015 was an amazing day of fun, exercise, and hope! We raised more than \$15,800 to save lives and transform families!

Super Thanks to:

- Our presenting sponsor: Catalyst Construction
- Other corporate sponsors: Schoeneck Containers, Inc., Spiegelberg Financial Services, Northwestern Publishing House, Robert Stack & Associates, Inc., and Shady Acres Nursery
- Sebring Garage for providing hot dogs & fixin's
- CEO Grill Kings for grilling the hot dogs
- Everyone who came out to participate (230+ individuals)
- All who requested personal sponsors with our **FundEasy Pages**
- All the personal sponsors
- All the volunteers

We can't do this without each of you, **"Thank you very much!"**



Barb with some of her bibs

Barb's Bibs & Blankets

Barbara Raasch, according to her husband, has turned their home into a bib and blanket factory. Barb makes beautiful bibs and blankets for the moms and babies we serve. Some of the bibs and blankets will be placed in our Baby Boutique for the Loving Moms parenting class participants to earn with their incentives dollars. Others will be placed in baby gift packs (layettes) that are offered to expectant moms in their third trimester.

Barb is one of many who offer lovingly handmade items which are greatly appreciated by the moms who receive them or "shop" for them in the Boutique. Thank you, Barb, for your love, care, and expert handiwork and especially for blessing this ministry with your talents.



Boutique Helpers with Grandma & Alyse packing Baby Booties

All Sorts of Great Help

Psalm 121:2 says, "My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Here at the center we trust our Lord's help and blessing in all that we do. He provides through you, our partners and friends. Recently we've had some special summer helpers (pictured here).

Thanks to your donations and faithful volunteers, our doors are open 6 days

a week, but we currently need more counselors and receptionists. If you've thought of volunteering, this might be the time. We provide complete training. Please prayerfully consider it and contact us to become trained. It is really rewarding work. Call (414) 727-8176 or connect online at www.alife2.com/volunteer.html.

The 1-2-3 of Support

This Sacred Trust newsletter, the WLFL Email news, and even the Facebook communications we send often tell you of our latest projects and initiatives at WLFL, and many times we will ask you to join us financially.

Every once in a while, however, it is essential that we tell you exactly how you can support this vital work—and be a key part of our team, from a financial standpoint.

If you would like to give a financial gift, here are three ways you can do so:

1. Online

Our website is www.ALife2.com. Here you can make a one-time gift or join us as a monthly financial partner. You can also explore many other ways to support WLFL while you're there.

2. Write a check

Enclosed with this newsletter is an envelope for your convenience. Place your check in the envelope and if you would like to make an ongoing, monthly gift, note it on the reply envelope or write "monthly" on the "for" section of the check.

3. Give a gift of stock

Your appreciated stock may be a gift that also brings large tax savings. Call Peter at (414) 727-8176, and he will help you with this type of gift.

4. *You may also want to consider remembering WLFL in your will, trust, and as a beneficiary on insurance. These are just a few of the avenues of providing the necessary finances for WLFL to continue providing life-saving services to our community.*

Our financial partners provide the foundation for the amazing growth we are seeing at WLFL. Your gifts are making a notable difference in saving lives and changing lives every day.

Upcoming Events:

SOUL Ride

Motorcycle fundraiser ride supporting the Sanctity Of Unborn Life!

Saturday, August 15, 2015

Location: St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

S66 W14325 Janesville Rd, Muskego, WI 53150

Time: Check-in/registration @ 9am, ride begins @ 10am

Cost: \$35 per bike (driver), \$15 per passenger, \$10 t-shirt (available prior to the ride)

Have fun & save lives!

Want to help with the SOUL Ride? Call (414) 727-8176 or e-mail contact@ALife2.com.

www.SOULRide.org

SOUL Ride



Evening for Life

Mark your calendar and save the date!
Thursday, October 8, 2015

Guest Speaker:

Melissa Ohden, saline abortion survivor

Celebrate life at our annual fundraising dinner! Melissa will be sharing her powerful story. Come learn how God is saving lives through this ministry and how you can have an impact for generations!

Country Springs Hotel & Conference Center
2810 Golf Road, Pewaukee, WI, 53072

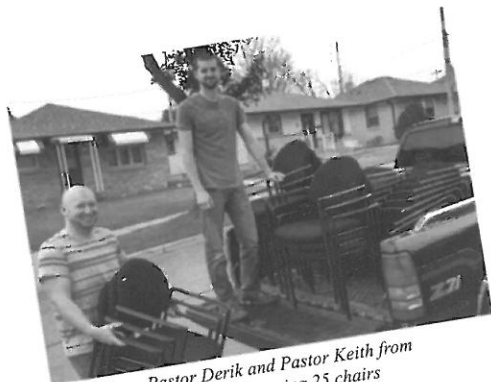
www.EveningForLife.org



One of the most creative donations we've received this year is from twin sisters. It isn't the amount so much, but more so the desire and commitment to help fund the cause for life. We are grateful for these fabulous girls and their love for our ministry. Thanks Ruth and Rachel!! See their letter that came with the check:

We did not collect names for you because we are only solicited, and not allowed to solicit. However, we did ten chores to earn the money you asked for. Our man matched our efforts and so we are presenting you with a check for \$100.
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Letter describing a creative donation



Pastor Derik and Pastor Keith from WOG delivering 25 chairs

Our wish for conference chairs for our training space has been fulfilled! Word of Grace Community Church in Sheboygan Falls, WI donated 25 chairs, and Pastor Derik Armstrong and Pastor Keith Nix delivered them. We've already put them to use and look forward to using them more for volunteer in-services and other gatherings. Thank you WOG!



22 Friend of Life households give a total of \$758 per month. Another 13 households give \$675 on a monthly basis. Thank you!! This does not include banquet pledges since they are pledged for only one year.

We are looking for more financial partners to step up to a monthly donation plan, so we are challenging you to consider becoming a Friend of Life. To sweeten the deal, a donor has stepped forward with a two-way “Two-For” challenge.

- 1) If you become a new Friend of Life (electronic monthly giver) your monthly contribution amount will be doubled.
- 2) To begin, go to www.alife2.com/monthly-giving.html (put "Monthly Challenge" in the note box).

If you are already a Friend of Life (electronic monthly giver) and increase your monthly amount your increase will be doubled.

For details and specific information contact Peter at (414) 727-8176, or email Contact@ALife2.com.

Show how special people are or how their lives have touched yours. Send a gift in memory of someone who entered eternal life or honor someone for a milestone (*birthday, baptism, adoption, anniversary, confirmation, graduation, etc.*). Each gift is gratefully acknowledged and noted in future Sacred Trust issues.

All of God's Volunteers
Marvin & Gretchen Koch
Camille Marie Carlson's Birth

6 Healthy Grandkids
Hannah Koffman
50th Wedding Anniversary

Del Ehlike	Cheryl Ehlike
Herman Rohleder	Carol Rohleder
Jeanette Kassulke	Rev. Joel & Karla Jaeger
Jeanette Kassulke	Dorothy Lemke
Jeanette Kassulke	Sue Diamond
Jeanette Kassulke	anonymous
Jeanette Kassulke	William & Doreen Bartholomew
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Jeanette Kassulke	David & Kelly Beyer, Jr.
Jeanette Kassulke	Gerald & Kathleen Bigalke
Jeanette Kassulke	Darold & Cheryl Borree
Jeanette Kassulke	Carolyn Chopp
Jeanette Kassulke	Janet Cusldige
Jeanette Kassulke	Ruth Fenske
Jeanette Kassulke	Charles & Marilyn Gassert
Jeanette Kassulke	Leah Gehl

Janet Stirmel
Arlene Hoganson
Scott & Rebecca Klitzke

Keith & Eva Sand
Andrew & Katie Koffman
Merlyn & Corrine Krueger

Cheryl Ehke	Jeanette Kassulke
Carol Rohleder	Jeanette Kassulke
Rev. Joel & Karla Jaeger	Jeanette Kassulke
Dorothy Lemke	Jeanette Kassulke
Sue Diamond	Jeanette Kassulke
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William & Doreen Bartholomew	Jeanette Kassulke
Terry Bergum	Jeanette Kassulke
David & Kelly Beyer, Jr.	Jeanette Kassulke
Gerald & Kathleen Bigalke	Jeanette Kassulke
Darold & Cheryl Borree	Jeanette Kassulke and Martha Kostenbader
Carolyn Chopp	Kathi Chojnacki
Janet Cuslidge	Kathi Chojnacki
Ruth Fenske	Mr. & Mrs. Henry Engelbrecht & son Keith
Charles & Marlyn Gassert	Prof. John Jeske
Leah Gehl	Sheila M. Jester

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Sheila M. Jester

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