# +DIVINE SERVICE III+

# OF THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

+LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR + 26 NOVEMBER 2023+



# The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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"A Church where God gives and we receive."

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# Welcome to our Divine Service!

We are pleased that you are with us.

# +Worship Notes+

The entire service, including the rubrics of when to sit and when to kneel or stand, and

what to say, is printed out in this folder so you may follow along.

Welcome to weekly Divine Service at The Good Shepherd Lutheran Church! We are a congregation that confesses the Holy Bible as inerrant, that justification is by faith according to the Holy Bible and confessed in the 1580 Book of Concord. God bless you.

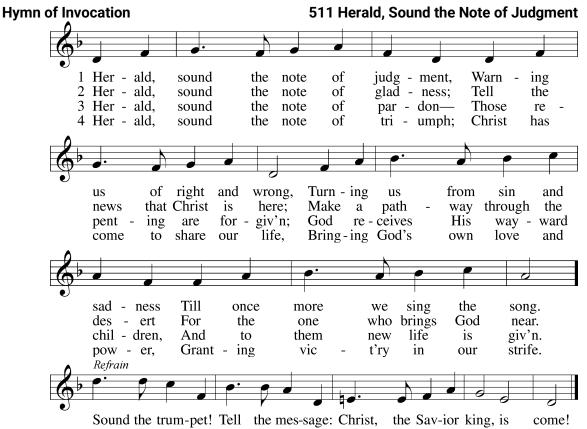
To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. Please introduce yourself to our pastor. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world. If you are looking for a church home and would like to know about our membership, pastor would love to speak with you!

# A Note From The Organist:

Michael D. Costello is Cantor and Music Director at Grace Lutheran Church in River Forest, Illinois and an ordained minister. He has published many choral and organ compositions. The opening hymn is relatively unfamiliar, so the prelude is offered in order to help the congregation in singing. The prelude is rather short, so a repeat will be added. The hymn was written in 1968 for a Canadian Church service but in which a window depicting the Baptism of Christ was dedicated. The tune was also written in 1968 for a different text and later adapted to this text.

Healey Willan was born in England but moved to Canada in 1913, eventually settling in Toronto. He became Canada's most important composer, writing music in many genres, but his church music has proven to be his most enduring His setting of "Iste Confessor" is a rich Fughetta, building up to full organ.

# Confession and Absolution



Text: Moir A. J. Waters, 1906–80 Tune: David McCarthy, 1931

#### Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

#### Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Exhortation LSB 167

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution LSB 167

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

# Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 39:4-5a, 7-8, 12; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13 NIV

In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth,\*

the home of | righteousness.

O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;\* let me know how fleeting | I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few | handbreadths,\* and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore you.

And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?\*

My hope | is in you.

Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.\*

Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace | at my tears!\*

For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my | fathers.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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**Kyrie** 

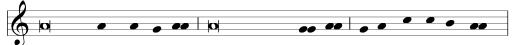
LSB 168



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

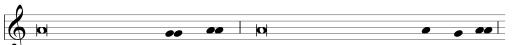


C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.





A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.





A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.

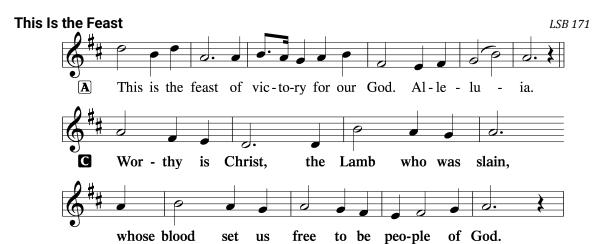


C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.









# Salutation and Collect of the Day





## P Let us pray.

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

## **Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 34:11-16

<sup>11</sup>"For thus says the Lord GoD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will

strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95:1–7a

## Let Us Sing Songs of Praise

Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;\*
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!
 Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;\*
 let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!
 For the LORD is a | great God,\*

and a great King a- | bove all gods.

In his hand are the depths | of the earth;\*
the heights of the mountains are his | also.

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he | made it,\* and his hands formed the | dry land.

<sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;\* let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

<sup>7</sup>For he | is our God,\* and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

## **Epistle**

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup>For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. <sup>28</sup>When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31–46



<sup>31</sup>[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup>Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup>And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? <sup>38</sup>And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? <sup>39</sup>And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' <sup>40</sup>And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

<sup>41</sup>"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to

one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."



#### **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. begotten of His Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father. by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

Sit



5 In your hearts enthrone Him; There let Him subdue All that is not holy, All that is not true: Crown Him as your captain In temptation's hour; Let His will enfold you In its light and pow'r.

- 6 Christians, this Lord Jesus Shall return again In His Father's glory, With His angel train; For all wreaths of empire Meet upon His brow, And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.
- △ 7 Glory then to Jesus,
   Who, the Prince of light,
   To a world in darkness
   Brought the gift of sight;
   Praise to God the Father;
   In the Spirit's love
   Praise we all together
   Him who reigns above.

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Sermon Pastor Edward Killian

Stand

## **Prayer of the Church**

Proper response is "hear our prayer".

- Lord God, You gather Your people from all nations and bring them into Your one, holy Christian and apostolic flock. Strengthen them by Your grace, that they may gladly feast upon Your riches in Your Means of Grace and declare Your praises to all who will hear. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Almighty God, You judge between Your sheep, and You shepherd Your people with Your Holy Word. Encourage Your pastors. Through their faithful service, continue to seek the lost, bring back the strayed, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak. Lord, in Your mercy,
- P Heavenly Father, You have subjected all things under Your Son, who gladly subjects Himself to You. Bless the homes of Your people, that parents may train and catechize their children with wisdom and love, and that children may gladly submit and honor their father and mother. Lord, in Your mercy,

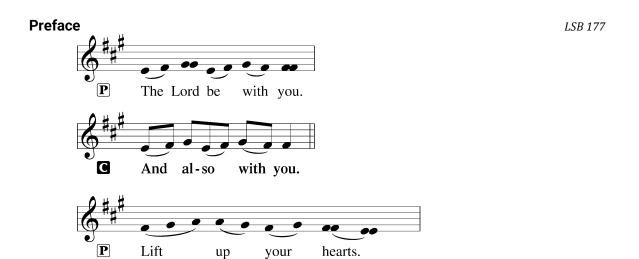
- O Lord of lords, You sustain every rule, authority and power as You see fit, until this world's powers should pass away. Bless all in civil authority, that they would not provoke Your wrath but maintain order and justice for the peace of Your people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- P Father in heaven, we look forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness, while now we contend with a multitude of afflictions under the curse of sin. Remember those in need of help and healing especially Alice, Cynthia, Gene, Johnathan, Lynette, Marion and her family, Owen, and Timothy. Preserve them, deliver them from their transgressions and hold not Your peace at their tears. Lord, in Your mercy,
- P God of grace, as death came by a man, so by Your Son has come the resurrection of the dead. Endow Your people with penitent hearts at Your table, that they would receive in Your risen Son's body and blood a foretaste of the eternal feast to come. Lord, in Your mercy,
- P God of life, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. We give thanks to You for those You have gathered into Your kingdom and who are asleep in Him. Strengthen our conviction that death is defeated as we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,
- P Almighty God, You have prepared Your kingdom for us from the foundation of the world. Preserve us in faith and love throughout our days, that we may care for Your servants and our neighbors with compassion and joy, looking toward that day when the Son of Man comes in His glory; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

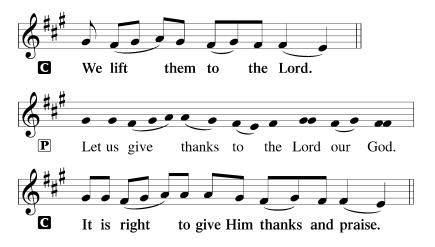
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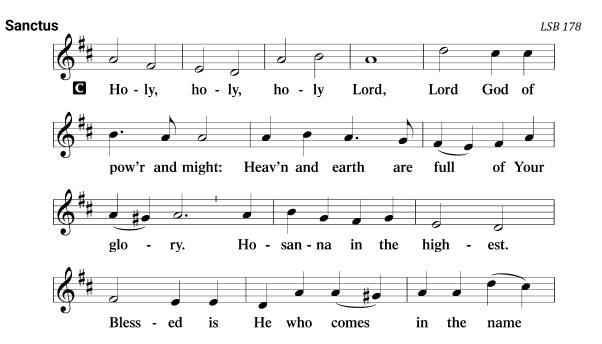
# Service of the Sacrament





#### **Proper Preface**

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





#### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### **Proclamation of Christ**

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us + from evil.

# For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



Sit

#### **Distribution**



#### 610 Lord Jesus, Think on Me



- 1 Lord Je sus, think on me And purge a - way my sin;
- 2 Lord Je sus, think anx - ious thoughts op - pressed; Bvon me, 3 Lord Je - sus, think A mid the bat - tle's strife: on me
- 4 Lord Je sus, think on me Nor let me a stray; go
- 5 Lord Je sus, think That, when this life on me is past.



world-ly pas-sions set me free And make me pure with-in. From me Your lov - ing ser - vant be Let all my pain and mis - er - y, In Through dark-ness and per-plex - i - ty may the e-ter - nal bright-ness see And share Your joy

And taste Your prom-ised rest. be my health and life! O Point out Your cho - sen way.

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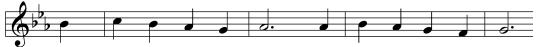
# **602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives**



- 1 The gifts Christ free ly gives He gives to you and me The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;
- 3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow:
- The 4 The gifts are there each day ho - ly Word is read;

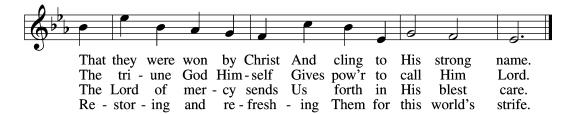


His Church, His bride, To His free! be cho-sen, saved and gives that makes Us New life He His and His lone. a pas - tor's words are Christ's For The trust know. us to and God's chil-dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they fed. are



Saints blest with these rich gifts He for - gives our sins For - give - ness that we need Christ fills them with Him - self.

Are chil - dren who pro - claim wa - ter and His Word: With there: Is grant - ed to us Blest words that give them life,

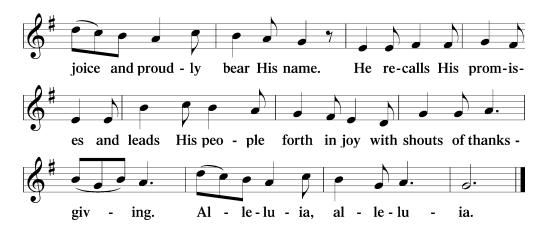


- The gifts are in the feast,
   Gifts far more than we see;
   Beneath the bread and wine
   Is food from Calvary.
   The body and the blood
   Remove our ev'ry sin;
   We leave His presence in
   His peace, renewed again.
- All glory to the One
   Who lavishes such love;
   The triune God in love
   Assures our life above.
   His means of grace for us
   Are gifts He loves to give;
   All thanks and praise for His
   Great love by which we live!

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#### Stand





#### **Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\div$  give you peace.



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- 5 O come, Thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heav'nly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery. Refrain
- O come, Thou Dayspring from on high,
   And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
   Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
   And death's dark shadows put to flight. Refrain

7 O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all mankind; Bid Thou our sad divisions cease, And be Thyself our King of Peace. Refrain

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#### Lord of Our Life and God of Our Salvation

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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# + THIS WEEK'S NOTES +

## **Announcements**

+ Last Sunday's Attendance: 36

+ Altar Guild Set Up: November 26th Marie

December 3rd Jill

Cleanup for November: Maurine and Nannette

Cleanup for December: Onja and Sydney

+ Ushers for November: Clinton Galloway and Olaf Teitell Ushers for December: Richard Huhn and Olaf Teitell

- + Poinsettias will be available to order next Sunday!
- + Bible Study will resume this Wednesday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for one more week before a short hiatus throughout the month of December.

# November Birthdays!

Clinton Galloway 30<sup>th</sup> Gayle Tarr 30<sup>th</sup>

# **Memory Verse of the Week**

For I am sure that neither life nor death, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height not depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans* 8:38-39

#### **Midweek Advent Services**

First Midweek in Advent – December 6<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm Second Midweek in Advent – December 13<sup>th</sup> @7pm Third Midweek in Advent – December 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm

Advent Suppers will be served before service at 6pm in the assembly room. Speak with Jill if you are interested in helping!

More details to come!

# <u>Lectionary Summary for the Last Sunday of the Church Year</u> By the Cross of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of Our God and Father

When the crucified and risen Lord Jesus comes to judge the living and the dead, "he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats" (Matt. 25:32). "To those on his right," who have been crucified and raised with Him through repentance and faith in His Gospel, He will grant the blessed kingdom of His Father (Matt. 25:34). Having been justified by His grace, they live unto righteousness in Him (Matt. 25:35–40). But "those on his left," who trust in themselves and despise their neighbor, will depart "into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matt. 25:41). Until that day, the Lord searches for His sheep "as a shepherd seeks out his flock" (Ezek. 34:11–12). Through His preaching of repentance, He disciplines the proud sheep and goats, "the fat and the strong," but through the preaching of forgiveness He rescues the lost, binds up the injured, strengthens the weak and feeds "the lean sheep" (Ezek. 34:16, 20). In this way, He destroys the power of death in the children of Adam by His cross, so that "in Christ shall all be made alive" by His resurrection (1 Cor. 15:20–26).

# **Lutherans For Life Thoughts**

Guilt and grief can devastate those who abort their own children (Matthew 25:37-38). The Lord God longs to relieve their wounds with His forgiveness (Ezekiel 34:16). If Jesus overcomes death for us, He can also subdue it for them (1 Corinthians 15:25-26). May our mouths make the joyful noise (Psalm 95:2) of explicitly applying His atoning grace to every sin!

"Being For Life is right in line with God's plan of creation! YOU are the missing element that is needed! Don't be satisfied to sit back and wait because now is the time! Don't stop praying as you ponder your next step. Ask God for His guidance and be ready for more than you asked for, as we have a loving and merciful God who loves life. Please consider being a part of a life-affirming ministry in your congregation. Help protect lives and serve God in this special calling." Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org