

LUTHERAN HIGH ST. CHARLES

WE MARCHED FOR LIFE



Of the estimated 100,000 attendees from across the nation, 19 students and 12 adult chaperones represented Lutheran High St. Charles to affirm life at the 2023 March for Life in Washington, D.C. The trip is organized annually by the LHS Teens for Life club, an affiliate of LCMS Y4Life.

“Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mall and march on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court’s 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It’s the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world. But this is not just a protest... TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE. We celebrate each and every life, from the moment of conception. We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected.” ([National March for Life](#))

This marked the 50th annual March for Life and the first one to be held in a "Post-Roe America." Students participated as Gospel-motivated voices for life while also connecting with other Lutherans in an LCMS youth conference, hearing from pro-life politicians, receiving informative resources, practicing their faith amid a diverse crowd, and exploring the nation’s capital.

This year, arrangements for the trip were made in under two months with generous support from school faculty, Lutherans for Life St. Charles, and a number of individuals, all of whom dedicated a tremendous amount of time and treasure to making the experience a reality. A combination of fundraising efforts and individual donations raised roughly \$10,000 for the traveling group, resulting in excellent affordability for students and their families.

Having experienced such an inspiring, mountaintop event, participants returned home with messages of hope regarding the gift of life every human being has from God. "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." (Psalm 139:13-14)



On behalf of LHS Teens for Life,

THANK YOU

for marching with us into a Post-Roe America!