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**Life Newsbytes**

The world continues to feel the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. ... But a new article in *Psychology Today* warns that an epidemic of suicide is already taking place—and it is affecting children. Dr. Sandra Chafouleas, a professor at the University of Connecticut, authored the article, pointing out that while the world focuses on the COVID-19 pandemic, more and more of our children are already dying by their own hands each year. ... Chafouleas pointed to a CDC study, which found that 1 in 5 teenagers have seriously considered committing suicide; ... “These numbers are scary—and become even more alarming when we look at the data over time; trends suggest that we are facing a teen suicide pandemic,” Chafouleas said. “Over the past 20 years, suicide rates have skyrocketed by over 60 percent, with almost every suicide indicator and student population showing increasing trends.” CLR NOTE: In addition to America’s teenagers giving serious consideration to suicide, nearly 26 percent of young adults (aged 18-24 years) said they also considered suicide during the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a new U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study. (*Live Action News*, 9/8/20; *Christian Life Resources—CLR—LifeWire*, 9/10/20)

**Speaking up For Life**

“We cannot claim to see God by His Word, to be followers and to not speak out against the hatred towards His creation that exists today. ‘Pro-choice’ is sitting in God’s throne and making decisions that only He should make. Euthanasia is also the same.” *Rev. Perry Hart, guest speaker on “The Lutheran Hour”*

“No matter how hopeless and weak you think you are, you’ve been provided with all the grace you need to make it to the end. Future grace always carries with it the promise of present grace. God will provide everything you need until you see Him face to face (2 Peter 1:3).” *Paul David Tripp, pastor, author, and conference speaker*

“The Reformation properly belongs to the Lord God. He Himself makes and saves all the moments in human history. He alone sustains and claims all the movements in the entire universe. His unconditional love endows each human life with equally infinite value.” *Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life*



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# 2020 Lutherans For Life Regional Conferences

Our 2020 theme is ...

## From Invisible to Indispensable!

“On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable ...” (1 Corinthians 12:22 ESV)

Join us as we unpack this theme and what it means for the For Life movement, both nationally and in your community.

The regional conferences for Lutherans For Life allow our team to come directly to you with the For Life Gospel message. These gatherings are wonderful times spent together where we can provide valuable information and encouragement to you, your community, and the life-affirming work you are engaged in.

Please check the schedule below to see which of our 2020 conference locations is near you. We’re excited to see you there!

**Remaining Conferences ...**

**Life in Christ Lutheran Church  
Peoria (Phoenix), Arizona – October 24**

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
Orlando, Florida – November 14**

**Since 1973: 61,628,584 abortions in America**

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