

July 2022

Clark County Right to Life

A Voice for Life in
Southwest Washington
since 1970

Save the dates

July 12

6:30 pm CCRTL
Board Meeting ends
7:45 All welcome.
Wendy's at 13723
Mill Plain Blvd

August 2

WA State Primary
Election.

August 5-14

CCRTL exhibit at
Clark County Fair
Need volunteers for
4 hr shifts. Free ad-
mit and parking
passes provided.
More info call/text
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Sept 13

CCRTL Meeting .
All welcome.
Location TBD.

Sept 28-Nov 6

40 Days for Life.
Prayer, fasting &
community out-
reach to save lives
and heal hearts.
Www.40daysforlife.

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Webpage

Newest Board Member Travels for Life

Last February college and high school students gathered at Concordia University in Austin, Texas for the Y4Life Youth Summit sponsored by Lutherans for Life. Our newest (and youngest) Board member, William Wilkerson, took a few days off work and drove down to Austin. I asked him to share his thoughts about the conference.

What is life? What does it mean to be pro-life? Why are we pro-life? How does pornography and pagan sexual ethics degrade our view of life? How do we support life? How do we understand suffering? In a culture which regularly devalues life and promotes death as a solution, it is vital that we address these basic questions.

Life is a gift from God, not just select lives...the ones we choose; No, every moment of every life is a gift from God. God formed man in His image from the dust of the earth; God breathed life into man; male and female He created them; God united man and woman together as one flesh in holy marriage; God gave the command, "Be fruitful and multiply..." Truly, life is a gift from God.

Despite man's rebellion, God continues daily to knit together new life in the wombs of mothers. And He has not left us alone to deal with the consequence of our sin; God entered the womb of the blessed virgin Mary, He took on flesh and dwelt with us sinful

men; Our God and Lord, Jesus Christ lived and died to redeem us and reconcile us to His Father, to our Father; Our Lord Jesus Christ is risen, living, interceding for us before the throne of God.

Life...created by God and died for by Jesus. This is the meaning of life. This is our motivation. We defend and affirm life because it is inherently valuable. **Life issues aren't just political issues**, life issues are people.

God help us to daily defend and support life in our community.

William Gilkerson



Message from our Vice-President

I recently watched a documentary in which people were asked to define a simple word that all of us have known the meaning of our whole lives.

This particular word has been so boo-by trapped by social and political agendas that defending its true meaning has become a career ending offence. As the interviews proceeded, it became obvious that the underlying issue was not simply the distinction between what is true and what is false, but that the belief in the existence of truth itself is a thought crime. And further, refusal to affirm the current popular lie is an act of hate.

For the last 50 years, those who denied the right to life of an unborn child employed an arsenal of ever shifting vocabulary and distortions of truth that unraveled when confronted with simple facts. But now with truth

Clark County Fair August 5-14

The timing couldn't be better for our educational exhibit. The abortion issue is a frequent subject of news reports and speculations about whether Roe v Wade will be overturned. (No decision when newsletter went to printer, June 17.)

We are nearing our 50th year at the fair and will continue to educate the public about the humanity of the child developing in the womb and the inhumanity of abortion while providing local resource packets with life-affirming alternatives to the violence of abortion.

The exhibit this year will be a repeat of our last one in 2019. You can see a picture of it online on our website www.clarkrtl.org and go to the Clark County Fair Exhibit page. We schedule two volunteers per shift and provide free admission and parking passes to volunteers who sign up for a 4 hour shift. We also plan an orientation session sometime in July.

being increasingly viewed as subjective with no absolute meaning, facts become irrelevant leaving each to define his own reality, fraying social connections, and resulting in isolation and despair.

But truth, like beauty, has an intrinsic pull on the heart and the longing for it cannot be completely extinguished. Each time a lie is proclaimed as truth, charity demands that we not acquiesce. Speaking truth with courage, conviction and love is the only option and it will in the end be the thing that lasts.

Clark County Right to Life has a long tradition of witnessing the truth at the Clark County Fair and this year, because Dobbs v. Jackson has everyone's attention, our presence is critical.

We must boldly confront the lies and answer the accusations while showing the beauty of the way of Life. **Join us.**

Dorothy Gill



Students for Life of America is looking for new student leaders to help protect and save the lives of our preborn brothers and sisters, as well as support pregnant and parenting women. There is a group at WSU-Vancouver needing new members and a need at Clark College to restart their group. SFLA would love to help students from any other school (middle school thru college, including homeschool) to start a group. Contact them at Washington@studentsforlife.org. (Above info from Proto-cathedral of St James bulletin May 25.)