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Have you ever wondered why Lutherans are pro-life? One of many reasons Lutherans are pro-life is because we recognize that we are all dependent on God, and we should support those who are dependent on us. We can see that we are dependent on God in the Bible verse John 6:68: "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." We depend on God not only for eternal life, but also earthly life. While we depend on God, others depend on us. Babies, the disabled, and the elderly depend on us. We need to help them because they are more vulnerable than others.

Babies depend on us. The Lord says in Exodus 23:7, "Keep far from a false charge, and do not kill the innocent and righteous, for I will not acquit the wicked." Picture in your head something innocent. What probably comes to mind is the face of a baby. Babies are depending on us to stick up for them and make sure that abortion does not happen. While even babies are born sinful, they are innocent of harming others, and should not be killed through abortion.

The disabled and elderly depend on us. We need to support them like Jesus supports a blind man in John 9: "As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth." Through a miracle, Jesus gives the man sight. Although we cannot perform miracles, we should also help the disabled and elderly on a consistent basis. Example of these commitments include volunteering at hospitals and nursing homes, or simple acts such as holding doors and raking leaves for those

who are unable. We should also stand up against euthanasia because when Jesus died on the cross, He made us all righteous, and the Lord said, do not kill the righteous.

In conclusion, Lutherans are pro-life because we recognize that we are all dependent on God, and we should support those who are dependent on us. We are not different from those infants, disabled, and elderly. I hope this essay inspires you to be a Gospel-motivated voice for life. I also hope you will uphold the God-given value of human life, and influence society to do the same.

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