

For those who are interested in learning more about our faithful and compassionate witness to the LGBTQ+ Community, check out the following resources:

Articles:

- CPH blog: Faithfully Caring for the LGBT Community as Christians
<https://blog.cph.org/read/everyday-faith/faithfully-caring-lgbt-community>
- [LCMS: What about Homosexuality?](#)

This is a concise explanation of what the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod believes and teaches about homosexuality based on the Bible.

LCMS.org page with resources about sexuality: <https://www.lcms.org/social-issues/sexuality>

Axis: LGBTQ+ and your Teen

https://info.axis.org/a-parents-guide-to-lgbtq?fbclid=IwAR0_Bh3H_nQXeckYw-pjNB-VnFUut-0HkJSnIDdEeYUJImPTpVkq1DSUGn8

Documentary: “In His Image” Watch for free at this link: <https://inhisimage.movie/>

**please note this documentary contains some graphic content. It is recommended that parents view this first and use discretion to determine whether or not their children should watch some or all of it too.

Podcast Episodes:

- Relatable, Episode 368 “What is Love” - Clearly explains what biblical love is.
<https://youtu.be/5ZJlbqQinSY>
- Relatable, Episode 126 “Biblical Marriage”
<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/relatable-with-allie-beth-stuckey/id1359249098?i=1000441780295>
(Disclaimer: While OSL does not endorse any other specific episodes of this podcast, Pastor agreed that these specific episodes aligned with our doctrine.)
- CPH podcast - Season 2 Episode 2 - “Engaging the Culture in 2021 Alfonso Espinosa”
How can Christians engage the culture for the sake of the gospel in the midst of cultural issues like the LGBTQ+ lifestyle?
<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/engaging-the-culture-in-2021-alfonso-espinosa/id1524519268?i=1000505529879>

Books:

- Ethics of Sex: published in 2017
<https://blog.cph.org/read/family/learning-about-sex/ethics-of-sex-a-new-resource-for-parish-ministry>

This book contains a chapter detailing a biblical response to homosexuality as well as a chapter about transgenderism.

- Irreversible Damage by Abigail Shrier: published in 2020
<https://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/irreversible-damage-abigail-shrier/1133754701?ean=9781684512287>

“In *Irreversible Damage*, Abigail Shrier provides a thought-provoking examination of a new clinical phenomenon mainly affecting adolescent females—what some have termed rapid-onset gender dysphoria—that has, at lightning speed, swept across North America and parts of Western Europe and Scandinavia. In so doing, Shrier does not shy away from the politics that pervade the field of gender dysphoria. It is a book that will be of great interest to parents, the general public, and mental health clinicians.”

— **Kenneth J. Zucker, Ph.D.**, *adolescent and child psychologist and chair of the DSM-5 Work Group on Sexual and Gender Identity Disorders*

*** This book is not written to advocate any particular religion or political stance. Shrier is a journalist who interviewed trans people, detransitioners, parents, and therapists in the process of writing this book.