

# Higher Things

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## •Writing for *Higher Things* Magazine •

*Higher Things* Magazine is a thirty-two-page, full-color magazine dedicated to enriching the faith of Lutheran youth, specifically between the ages of thirteen and nineteen. When submitting articles, authors should focus on God's work in Christ for salvation and how the Gospel message can be applied to young people's lives. Theological articles should have a proper balance of Law and Gospel. The focus of the magazine has been and continues to be Christ and His work for mankind.

## •Tips for Writers•

- **Articles should not exceed a word count of five hundred to eight hundred words.** If an article is longer than one thousand words, it will not be considered for publication.
- **Short and concise is always better.** Be as succinct and to the point as possible.
- **Consider your audience.** This magazine is geared toward youth in general and teenagers specifically. Write to the quiet fourteen-year-old computer nerd, to the outgoing seventeen-year-old football player, or to the troubled nineteen-year-old ready to leave for college.
- **Keep your writing exciting and fresh.** Just because the subject matter may be difficult doesn't mean your writing style has to suffer. Also, pay attention to your vocabulary. You don't need to use big words to explain complicated concepts.

## •To Submit an Article•

- **Proofread your article.** Give it to friends and family to read. Revise your first draft. Rewrite a few paragraphs. Shift sentences around. And then, just when you think your article is complete, edit it one more time.
- **Check your word limit.** If you're over one thousand words, keep editing.
- **Give complete contact information.** Include address, phone number, and e-mail address. Unfortunately, we will not be able to respond to your article if you do not include contact info.

- **Write a credit line at the end of the piece.** Please give a brief description of yourself, and don't forget to include your e-mail address in case readers want to contact you.
- **E-mail your submission (and any questions you might have).** Send your article to [submissions@higherthings.org](mailto:submissions@higherthings.org) Once the editorial team has had a chance to review the piece, you'll either receive a letter in the mail letting you know the article isn't right for the magazine or an e-mail saying the article has been chosen for publication.

## •Article Publication•

- We reserve the right to edit manuscripts as the editorial team determines best for the magazine.
- If your article is published, you will receive author copies of the magazine as thanks for writing for *Higher Things*. We at the magazine are genuinely appreciative of your assistance in the promotion of the Lutheran faith among youth today.

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