

500th Anniversary of the Reformation: 1517-2017

October 31, 2017 marks the 500th Anniversary of Martin Luther publishing his Ninety-Five Theses and the beginnings of the Lutheran Reformation.

Please join us for lectures, art, prayers, and music to explore and understand the Reformation. Visit mary.org for more information.



MARTINUS LUTHERUS Theologus
Notas Iflebia anno 1483, obije in patria anno 1446.
Venfinus Itellus ficia tom Kinffens an America

HILL MUSEUM & MANUSCRIPT LIBRARY

Lectures

Reformation Commemoration Panel Discussion

Friday, September 8, 6:30pm

Program followed by reception and prayers. Free of charge, registration requested. Teresa of Calcutta Hall, Lower Level

Welcome by Archbishop Bernard Hebda, Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis

Panel discussion with distinguished guests:

- · Reverend Dr. Olav Fykse Tveit, General Secretary of the World Council of Churches
- · Reverend John Klassen, OSB, PhD, Abbot of Saint John's Abbey
- Dr. Kathryn Johnson, Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- Dr. Kristin Colberg, Saint John's School of Theology and Seminary, Representative on the U.S. Reformed Dialogue in the United States

Luther, the Reformation, and the Question of Christian Unity

Thursday, September 21, 6:00pm

Teresa of Calcutta Hall, Lower Level. Free of charge, registration requested.

St. John's Theology Day: Presented by Shawn Colberg, Ph. D., Assistant Professor, Theology, St. John's University - College of St. Benedict

An introduction to Luther, the development of the Protestant Reformation, and early Roman Catholic responses. The session will then turn to the contemporary question of Christian unity raised by Vatican Council II and pursued in ecumenical dialogues between Lutherans and Catholics over the last 50 years. Our time will culminate in exploring what the imperative of Christian unity means 500 years later.

LECTURES, ART, PRAYERS, AND MUSIC

From Conflict to Communion

Commemorating the Reformation

Lectures

Martin Luther's Life and Legacy

Sunday, October 22, 1:00pm Teresa of Calcutta Hall, Lower Level Free of charge, registration requested.

Presentation by Sherry Jordan, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Theology, University of St. Thomas.

An introduction to the life and theology of Martin Luther, the German monk who sought to reform the Catholic Church in the sixteenth century. Who was he and what did he believe? Five hundred years later, what can Catholics and Lutherans learn from him and from each other?

Exhibit

Rebirth, Reform, and Revision: Reading the Image During the Reformation

Exhibition: September 23-October 29 Reception: September 24, 1:00pm John XXIII Gallery, Lower Level

In exploring the role printmaking played in the Reformation, this exhibition will bring together engravings, woodcuts, and etchings from some of the era's most important printmakers. As the Bible was translated into vernacular language, prints visually translated scripture for popular audiences and illustrated not only theology but the constantly changing religious and political world of Reformation era Europe.

This exhibition will be paired with a sister exhibition at the gallery of the Hill Museum and Manuscript Library of Saint John's University.

Prayers

Vespers for Unity and Peace

Sunday, October 8, 3:00pm, Basilica

Ecumenical Vespers with Central Lutheran

Sunday, October 15, 3:00pm, Basilica

Concerts



The National Lutheran Choir: From Conflict to Communion

Friday, October 27, 8:00pm, Basilica

A premier performance of Holy Spirit Mass by Norwegian composer, Kim André Arnesen. Commissioned for the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, this new work for chorus and strings comes with the spirit of the recent document "From Conflict to Communion" calling upon Roman Catholics and Lutherans, once divided by the Reformation, to seek that which unites rather than divides in order to strengthen what is held in common. Visit nlca.com for ticket information.

ST · OLAF CHOIR

NORTHFIELD - MINNESOTA - USA

My Soul Cries Out: 500 Years of Singing St. Olaf Choir and The Basilica Cathedral Choir

Saturday, October 28, 8:00pm, Basilica

A performance with the internationally renowned St. Olaf Choir, of St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN, conducted by Anton Armstrong along with organists, John Ferguson and Christopher Stroh, and The Basilica Brass ensemble. Free of charge.