



Messenger of Peace

"Where the Love of Christ is Shared"

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Peace Lutheran Church

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Dear Members and Friends,

Many of you have asked how our trip to Germany was. The 12 of us had a wonderful time as we spent 19 days in Germany. We Visited Frankfurt, Trier, Rothenberg, Eisenach, Erfurt, Wittenberg, and Berlin. We learned a lot about Reformation history and got to see the sights and the places where those things took place. We even walked on some of the same stones. We all want to thank Hilde Hibdon for putting together the travel itinerary and making the reservations for our Hotels, and guided tours. She did a fabulous job. Russell helped I am sure, or at least gave emotional support. I am putting together a slide show to give you a taste of our journey and will be presenting it on Wednesday, August 9. It will be at Bethlehem at 11 a.m. and at Peace at 6:30 p.m. I hope you can make it.

- - Pastor Griesse



The Altar in the City Church in Wittenberg



The Brandenburg Gate



Chapel in the Wittenberg Project



St. Mary's in Erfurt

Emperor Charles V



The Holy Roman Emperor who would declare Luther an outlaw was born February 24, 1500, and named Charles I of Spain, a successor of the Austrian Habsburg Monarchy. His first language was French. When his Emperor father, Maximilian, died in 1519, Charles was already King of Spain and had vast holdings in Austria, the Netherlands, and areas in Central and South America. He had ambitions to add the German lands that were in the Holy Roman Empire, but that all changed when his father died.

The death of Emperor Maximilian on January 12, 1519, put Frederick the Wise in a position to increase his influence and power. Already President of the Imperial Council, he was considered Imperial Vicar and filled the role of Emperor for the year before Maximilian's successor was elected and crowned. Frederick's protection during this year permitted Luther's writings to be spread and his ideas to develop.

It is fascinating the other six electors and Pope Leo X wanted Frederick to be the next emperor. The Pope even presented him with the Golden Rose, but Frederick did not desire that position. Instead, he threw his support behind Charles V, but only after he had negotiated a limitation of Charles' powers. This put him in the position to be able to protect Martin Luther.

Charles faced early competition in Henry VIII of England, but ultimately his rival was Francis I of France. Between the two, the Papacy supported Francis I, but it lacked the immense funds Charles was able to use to bribe the seven electors into selecting him.

One of these electors turned out to be Albrecht, Archbishop of Mainz. He was approached by partisans of both Charles V and Francis I during the imperial election of 1519. It appears that Albrecht received large sums of money for his vote—which he ultimately cast for Charles.

In June 1519 Charles was elected; in October 1520 he was coronated; on January 18, 1521, he received the papal bull *Decet Romanum Pontificem* with its excommunication of Martin Luther. The Pope included instructions to present the bull to the Diet of Worms, which was to begin January 28. Normally, Luther's excommunication would have prevented him from defending his views at the Imperial Diet, but once again Frederick intervened, convincing Charles to give Luther a hearing at Worms in April 1521.

On March 11, 1521, the Emperor sent Luther an invitation to come to the Diet of Worms to "answer with regard to your books and your teaching." The Emperor's mandate promised safe-conduct if he would arrive in Worms within 21 days. "You have neither violence nor snares to fear," the letter said.

After Luther gave his testimony on April 26, 1521, Charles granted him permission to leave Worms. Luther set out to return to Wittenberg. Under Frederick's authority, Spalatin staged an attack on Luther's return trip to Wittenberg, kidnapped him, and brought him to the Wartburg Castle where he could be protected from reprisal. It is likely Spalatin made these arrangements, and Frederick never knew Luther's location.

Interestingly, Charles had the backing of the bankers of the Fugger House in Augsburg who in 1514 had loaned money to Albrecht so he could become Archbishop of Mainz. On May 25, 1521, Charles V issued the Edict of Worms:

"For this reason, we forbid anyone from this time forward to dare, either by words or by deeds, to receive, defend, sustain, or favor the said Martin Luther. On the contrary, we want him to be

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apprehended and punished as a notorious heretic, as he deserves, to be brought personally before us, or to be securely guarded until those who have captured him inform us, whereupon we will order the appropriate manner of proceeding against the said Luther. Those who will help in his capture will be rewarded generously for their good work."

The Emperor declared Martin Luther an outlaw and a heretic and banned his literature. Luther could now be killed by anyone.

Following Charles' edict against Luther, Frederick again used his power and influence to obtain an exemption from the edict for electoral Saxony. This gave Luther protection, and the Protestant Reformation freedom to continue.

Why did Charles relent to Frederick? The Emperor anticipated that Pope Leo X would call a general council that would rule on Luther's doctrine and bring peace to the Church. In fact, in the 1526 Diet of Speyer, he passed the recess of the Edict of Worms, which allowed all princes and cities in the Empire to practice religion as they saw fit until this general council was called. In Catholic territories the Edict of Worms was reaffirmed, but Luther and his teachings were tolerated in Lutheran territories.

When years went by and the Pope called no council, the 1529 Diet of Speyer revoked the recess, and this resulted in the 1530 Diet of Augsburg, where the Lutheran German princes would present their Augsburg Confession, written by the next member of our Reformation Twelve.

August O.W.L.S. Lunch

OWLS will meet for lunch at 11:30 on Friday, August 11th at "Mountain Mama's Home Cooking". It's on Chinook Pass road at Squaw Rock.



Please let Marcia Shotwell know if you plan to attend (697-4543 or shotwell@elltel.net). If you would like to carpool you can meet at the church at 10:30.

Voter's Meeting

There is a Voter's Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 8th at 7:00 p.m. We would like to have all Board Chairpersons attend the meeting.

AARP Driver Safety Class

AARP Driver Safety Class being offered August 14 & 15, 8:30-12:30, at Peace. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-AARP members.

For details and to register contact Glenn Stocker, 697-5022, or sign up on the registration sheet on bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

Still Lawn Mowing Time!

Please don't forget we still need volunteers to mow the church lawn.



Thank you to those who have already mowed. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Western Days Are Coming

The Western/Rally Day will be held Sunday, August 27th at 12:30 p.m. Harlan & Mary Lyso have offered to host it at their house again this year. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.



Men's Night Out

The next Men's Night Out is scheduled for August 21st. All Peace men are invited to meet at Tailgaters in Selah at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of relaxing and just shooting the breeze





The Lutheran Hour is the longest-running Gospel outreach broadcast on the air today. One million listeners tune in every week. Many share with us how the Holy Spirit has used it in their lives:

- **Brent and Joanne lost their daughter in a tragic car accident.** While grieving, they requested the booklet *What Happens When I Die?* which they heard about on **The Lutheran Hour**. “*It gave us so much comfort,*” they write. In fact, they requested additional copies to comfort *others* experiencing loss.
- **Betty was in a care facility.** Her daughter, Denise, knew how much **The Lutheran Hour** meant to her. When a friend told Denise she could listen to the program online *anytime*, she played it for her mother during visits. Each time the music began, Betty’s eyes lit up.
- **An atheist tried to sow seeds of doubt in Linda’s friend.** “If God is there, why do bad things happen?” he asked. Linda tells us a broadcast of **The Lutheran Hour**, along with its question-and-answer session, equipped her to respond.

Has the Lord used the broadcast in ***your*** life? Perhaps its words comforted you during a crisis. Maybe it supplemented your confirmation classes. Perhaps its message and music fill a void when you cannot attend church.

When you support **The Lutheran Hour** and LHM’s other ministry work, you help ***others*** receive that benefit, too.

That means you wrap an arm of comfort around grieving parents like Brent and Joanne. You uplift individuals like Betty during life’s loneliest stages. You tell unbelievers of a Savior who died—and rose again—to redeem them.

**You carry the love of Jesus to them
through your Gospel partnership.**



NORTHWEST REFORMATION 500

FESTIVAL CHOIR

REHEARSALS

Sat. Oct. 21

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Tacoma
10-11:30 a.m.

OR

Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Bellevue
2-3:30 p.m.

Sat. Oct. 28 (mandatory)

Pilgrim Lutheran Church, Bellevue
2-4 p.m.

Sun. Oct. 29 (mandatory)

Overlake Christian Church, Redmond
arrive 2 p.m.

Festival Worship at 4:30 p.m.

Ages 14 and up.

Music sent by postal mail in mid-September.

Visit nwreformation.com/sing
for more details and important info.

Questions? Email Kyle Haugen, Artistic Director, at
kylea4kyle.com.

SING *for* REFORMATION 500

Northwest Reformation 500,

one of the largest Reformation anniversary celebrations in the nation, invites you to sing with the massed **Festival Choir**.

Joined by the Boeing Employee Choir and led by Artistic Director Kyle Haugen, the massed Festival Choir will participate in an **unforgettable worship service** celebrating the Gospel legacy of the Reformation.

Learn more and register:

nwreformation500.com/sing



Kyle Haugen, Artistic Director, is passionate about the Lutheran musical heritage. As a choral director, he has worked extensively with both youth and adults. A published composer, his work has been featured on PBS television.



The auditorium at Overlake Christian Church seats up to 5,000 people.

NW Ref. 500 & Social Media

We've all heard that the printing press was key to the Reformation's success. Martin Luther and other like-minded reformers used the technology of that day spread the Gospel to the masses ... We are using the technology of our day to help inspire participation in NW Reformation 500. Find our NW Reformation 500 page on Facebook™. Like and follow for more information.

Celebrating our Schools

Christian education is one of the hallmarks of our church and a product of the Reformation. We have invited the Lutheran schools of the Puget Sound region to be part of NW Reformation 500.

We are deeply grateful for the efforts of Dr. Michelle Zimmerman of Amazing

Grace and Renton Prep and Mrs. Christine Malone of Concordia Lutheran School for their efforts in finding creative ways for schools to work the message of the Reformation into their curriculum. Most of all, we encourage their participation in this once-in-a-lifetime event.

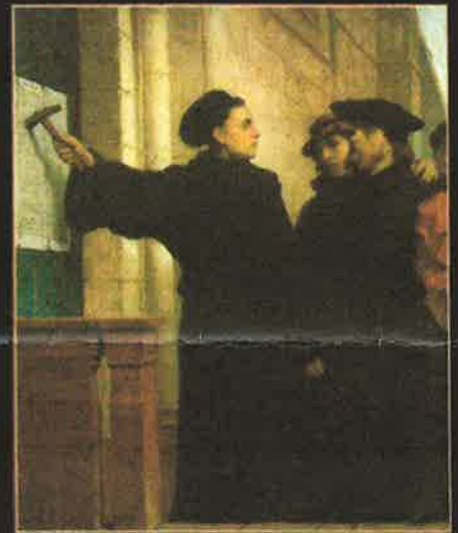


It takes persons of exceptional ability to teach and train children aright.

-Martin Luther



HAPPY · REFORMATION · DAY!



Oct. 31, 1517 - Luther Updates His Blog

NW Reformation 500 – Oct. 29, 2017, Overlake Christian Church in Redmond, WA

Read Through the Bible in a Year!

August			
1	1 Corinthians 16	2 Kings 12-13	Micah 3
2	2 Corinthians 1:1-2:4	2 Kings 14	Micah 4:1-5:1
3	2 Corinthians 2:5-3:18	2 Kings 15-16	Micah 5:2-15
4	2 Corinthians 4:1-5:10	2 Kings 17	Micah 6
5	2 Corinthians 5:11-6:13	2 Kings 18	Micah 7
6	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:16	2 Kings 19	Nahum 1
7	2 Corinthians 8	2 Kings 20-21	Nahum 2
8	2 Corinthians 9	2 Kings 22:1-23:35	Nahum 3
9	2 Corinthians 10	2 Kings 23:36-24:20	Habakkuk 1
10	2 Corinthians 11	2 Kings 25	Habakkuk 2
11	2 Corinthians 12	1 Chronicles 1-2	Habakkuk 3
12	2 Corinthians 13	1 Chronicles 3-4	Zephaniah 1
13	John 1:1-18	1 Chronicles 5-6	Zephaniah 2
14	John 1:19-34	1 Chronicles 7-8	Zephaniah 3
15	John 1:35-51	1 Chronicles 9	Haggai 1-2
16	John 2	1 Chronicles 10-11	Zechariah 1
17	John 3:1-21	1 Chronicles 12	Zechariah 2
18	John 3:22-36	1 Chronicles 13-14	Zechariah 3
19	John 4:1-26	1 Chronicles 15:1-16:6	Zechariah 4
20	John 4:27-42	1 Chronicles 16:7-43	Zechariah 5
21	John 4:43-54	1 Chronicles 17	Zechariah 6
22	John 5:1-18	1 Chronicles 18-19	Zechariah 7
23	John 5:19-47	1 Chronicles 20:1-22:1	Zechariah 8
24	John 6:1-21	1 Chronicles 22:2-23:32	Zechariah 9
25	John 6:22-59	1 Chronicles 24	Zechariah 10
26	John 6:60-71	1 Chronicles 25-26	Zechariah 11
27	John 7:1-24	1 Chronicles 27-28	Zechariah 12
28	John 7:25-52	1 Chronicles 29	Zechariah 13
29	John 8:1-20	2 Chronicles 1:1-2:16	Zechariah 14
30	John 8:21-47	2 Chronicles 2:17-5:1	Malachi 1:1-2:9
31	John 8:48-59	2 Chronicles 5:2-14	Malachi 2:10-16