

You are cordially invited to a  
**CONGREGATION DINNER!**

on Sunday, October 30

5:00pm-7:30pm

at Thatcher Woods Pavilion  
8030 Chicago Ave, River Forest

*Celebrating  
our 80th Anniversary  
as a Congregation and  
Kicking Off our Year-Long  
Reformation Celebration!*

Dinner (German Fare)  
Cash Bar  
Raffle  
Entertainment

Tickets: \$15.00 for adults  
\$7.50 for kids (age 5-15)  
Free for kids under age 5

Purchase at church or online  
(goodshepherdllc.org)  
before October 1, 2016.



## **BEING LUTHERAN BOOK GROUP**

Led by Reformation scholar and Good Shepherd member Anna Johnson. Books are to be purchased (or library loan) and read independently and will be discussed monthly. Join in as you like. Dates will be announced.

**October 13:** *Martin Luther: A Very Short Introduction*, by Scott Hendrix

**November:** *Working for Our Neighbor: A Lutheran Primer on Vocation, Economics, and Ordinary Life*, by Gene Edward Veith

**December:** *Life Among the Lutherans*, by Garrison Keillor

### **2017**

**January:** *Protestantism After 500 Years*, by Thomas Albert Howard and Mark Noll

**February:** *Life Together*, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

**March:** *Katarina von Bora: A Reformation Life*, by Rudolf and Marilyn Markwald

**April:** *A Study of Luther's Small Catechism for Adults*, by Todd Nichol

**May:** *Pastrix: The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner & Saint*, by Nadia Bolz-Weber

Dates to be announced



*Embracing the Diversity of  
God's creation and celebrating  
our Oneness in Christ.*

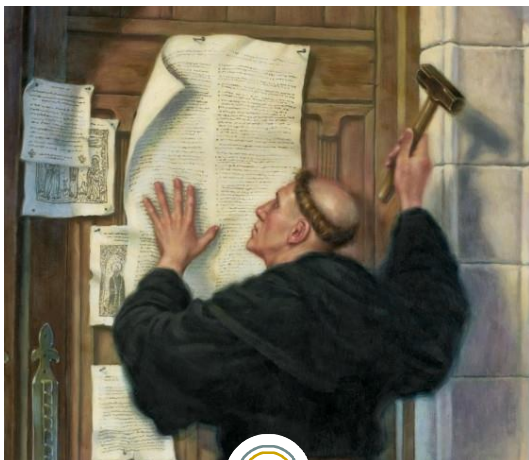


## **Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation**

**October 31, 1517-  
October 31, 2017**

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
611 Randolph St  
Oak Park IL 60302

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## 500 Years of Evangelical Reformation 1517-2017

When Martin Luther posted his “Ninety-five Theses” on the church door in Wittenberg in 1517, no one expected the breadth of evangelical reforms in Christian teaching and practice that followed. In every dimension of Christian faith, a renewed trust in God’s forgiving mercy replaced a reliance on teachings and practices that, like the sale of indulgences, were vulnerable to abuse and corruption.

## ADULT EDUCATION TOPICS

### Sept/Oct: Lutheranism 101

- **Sept 18-Oct 23:** Lutheran Basics class led by Pastor Kathy
- **Oct 30:** Rev. Karl Reko: “The German Luther: How the German Political Scene Influenced the Reformation”

### Nov/Dec: Lutherans in America

- **Nov. 6 & 13:** Pastor Kathy: Basics
- **Nov 20:** Historian Peggy Sinko: Lutherans in Chicago
- **Dec 11:** Historian Peggy Sinko: Lutherans in Oak Park
- **Dec 18:** Rev. Karl Reko: Semine

### Jan/Feb: Global Lutheranism

- **Jan 29:** Rev. Harvard Stephens Jr & Peter Hugh: Frederick Lutheran, St. Thomas (oldest ELCA)
- Guest Preachers & Global music to include South America, Africa and Asian topics

### Mar/Apr: Lenten Journey

- Forty Days with Luther

### Apr/May: Ecumenism

- Lutherans Uniting
- Lutheran/Catholic dialogue
- Christian/Muslim dialogue

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Oct 30:** Reformation 500 and GS 80th Anniversary Dinner at 5pm

**Nov 13:** Jello Cook-Off with Potluck at 12:00

**Dec. 18:** Advent Jazz worship at 8am and 10:30am

### 2017

**Jan 8:** Vivaldi Gloria at 3pm

**Jan 22:** Gospel worship at 8am and 10:30am, GospelFest at 3pm

**Feb 26:** Rio Mardi Gras celebration at 12:00

**Mar 1 - Apr 5:** Wednesday Lent Vespers service at 7:30pm

**Mar 5:** Duo Organ/Piano concert by William Barnett & Mark X. Hatfield at 3pm

**Apr 23:** Jonathan Rundman

## GERMANY TOUR

July 18 - July 28, 2017

Stand where Martin Luther translated the Bible in German and where he posted his 95 Theses. Visit modern cultural sites like the Buchenwald Concentration Camp and the church where the 1990 revolution began. Enjoy German cuisine at beer gardens and wine cellars.

The cost of the tour decreases as more people participate. Find a brochure in the church lobby or at [goodshepherdlc.org](http://goodshepherdlc.org)