

THE WITTENBERG REFORMATION FOR  
DARTMOUTH COLLEGE STUDENTS:  
Erasmus and Luther in 1524/25 –  
Bound choice and the essence of Christianity

December 8–10, 2025



### SCHEDULE

#### Monday, Dec. 8

9:30	Erasmus of Rotterdam and the Reformation (meeting point: Leucorea, court-yard)
11:00	Martin Luther, Of Bound Choice, 1525 (Leucorea, seminar room) Source study: LW 33:19–24 (Christian faith necessarily implies assertions and understanding)
14:00	City tour Wittenberg with Dr. Hennen (meeting point: market place)
16:30	Martin Luther, Of Bound Choice, 1525 (Leucorea, seminar room) Source study: LW 33:24–28 (double clarity of Scripture)

#### Tuesday, Dec. 9

9:00	Martin Luther, Of Bound Choice, 1525 (Leucorea, seminar room) Source study: LW 33:29–44 (The essence of Christianity)
11:00	Parish Church
14:00	Zoom meeting with Bishop. Dr. Ashley Null (Leucorea, seminar room)
16:00	Luther House
17:00	Martin Luther, Of Bound Choice, 1525 (Leucorea, seminar room) Source study: LW 33:135–140 (Ezekiel 18:23 and the hidden God)

#### Wednesday, Dec. 10

9:00	Castle courtyard (meeting point: Schlossplatz/Tourist Information)
9:30	Reformation Research Library with Dr. Hein
11:00	Castle Church
13:15	Melanchthon House

14:00 Martin Luther, Of Bound Choice, 1525 (Leucorea, seminar room)  
Source study: LW 33:288–292 (The three lights)

15:00 Luther's 1526 lecture on Ecclesiastes and what bound choice and divine agency mean for every day life

16:30 Reformation remembrance in the twentieth century – The Frankenhausen panorama painting (Leucorea, seminar room)

On all three days we will read portions of Martin Luther's *De servo arbitrio* (On Bound Choice). We use the English translation in vol. 33 of *Luther's Works* (ed. Philip S. Watson, Philadelphia 1972).

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