

**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, courtyard)
- 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 Melancthon 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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