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 (goodshepherdlc.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

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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 Marilynn 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.
ADULT EDUCATION TOPICS

Sept/Oct: Lutheranism 101
- Sept 18-Oct 23: Lutheran Basics class led by Pastor Kathy
- Oct 30: Rev. Karl Rekó: “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 Rekó: Seminex

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

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Jan 8: Vivaldi Gloria at 3pm
Jan 22: Gospel worship at 8am and 10:30am, Gospel Fest 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

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.