

Lutherans Reform! is a member of Lutheran CORE

Lutheran CORE is a coalition of pastors, lay people, congregations and reforming groups that seeks to preserve within the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America the authority of the Word of God according to the Lutheran confessions. Its intention is to remain within the church and to work with congregations, individuals, and other reform-minded groups for the reform of the ELCA by:

- 1) Encouraging individual reform-minded congregations, laypersons, and pastors.
- 2) Supporting and offering coordination for the various renewal groups within the ELCA.
- 3) Addressing significant synodical and churchwide issues.

Lutherans Reform! is a member of Evangelical Lutheran Confessing Fellowship (ELCF)

The ELCF is a body of Christians who confess and promote the following three principles:

- The confession of the Triune God and Lordship of Jesus Christ
- The authority of the scriptures, and
- The biblical teaching concerning marriage and human sexuality

The ELCF includes pastors, laypersons, and congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, all of whom by signature acknowledge their adherence to the Confession of Faith and Purpose articles of the organization.

It works with other renewal groups in the ELCA and in the wider Christian world to confess the faith and uphold Christian truth in love.

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*Our conscience is
captive to the
Word of God.*

*Moving forward..
Strengthening the
traditions of the faith.*

Lutherans Reform! *Who We Are*

Martin Luther called for the reformation of the Church when he nailed his Ninety-Five Theses to the Castle Church door in Wittenberg. In the first thesis, he proposed that repentance is an attitude and action that the whole church is to adopt in response to our merciful and perfect God.

Lutherans Reform! exists to promote the confessional witness of the Lutheran Church.

The goal of Lutherans Reform! is to uphold the Biblical and Confessional foundations of Lutheranism, by fostering wider appreciation for the substance and relevance of our faith tradition.



To accomplish this goal, Lutherans Reform! strives to:

- +Emphasize the centrality of the Word of God, the Holy Scripture, and the Holy Sacraments.
- +Acknowledge the central role of the creeds/Lutheran Confessions, in the lives of the faithful.
- +Deepen our understanding of the faith.
- +Proclaim the essential tension and balance between law-gospel, sin-grace, repentance-discipleship.
- +Strengthen connections between congregations sharing these confessional convictions.
- +Promote the participation of both lay and rostered people in the process of renewal.
- +Identify and provide resources to accomplish these goals.

Lutherans Reform! gathers regularly for communication on important issues facing the church today. We draw together information and process that information in order to be better informed and take action when necessary. We hold one another in prayer, we provide displays for synodical events, we occasionally sponsor educational events and network with other confessional groups throughout the United States.

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