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Reformation, Protestantism, Evangelicalism and the EFCA

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OCTOBER 31, 1517

Martin Luther Posts the 95 Theses on the Door of the
Castel Church at Wittenberg, Germany



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“The Protestants insisted that salvation was by grace alone, through faith alone, in Jesus Christ alone. This Christocentrism shaped their patterns of piety and prayer, as well as their ethics and eschatology.”



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Four Reformation Streams

Lutherans

Reformed

Church of England (Anglican)

Anabaptist



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5. Free (Swedish and Dano-Norwegian) (19th-20th Centuries)



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Solus Christus* as Central to the Reformation *Solas

Stephen J. Wellum, Professor of Christian
Theology, The Southern Baptist Theological
Seminary



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The Heart of the Reformation: Justification

D. A. Carson, Research Professor of New Testament, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School



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Faith Alone Justifies, Yet the Faith Which Justifies Is Not Alone: Justification and Sanctification

R. Albert Mohler, Jr., President, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary



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The Heidelberg Disputation: The Theology of the Cross (*Theologia Crucis*) Versus The Theology of Glory (*Theologia Gloriae*)

David J. Luy, Assistant Professor of Biblical and Systematic Theology, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School



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The Reformation, *Sola Scriptura* and Tradition

Kevin J. Vanhoozer, Research Professor of
Systematic Theology, Trinity Evangelical Divinity
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The Reformation, Creeds, Confessions and Catechisms

Kenneth N. Young, Professor of Systematic Theology and Christian Ministries, University of Northwestern



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The Extent of the Reformation's Reform: Word, Church, Ministry and Worship

Scott M. Manetsch, Professor of Church History,
Trinity Evangelical Divinity School



ecclesia reformata et semper reformanda

“the church is reformed and always [in need of] being reformed [according to the Word of God].”



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