

Unity in the Church

After the death of Martin Luther, the Reformation in Germany became caught up in doctrinal disputes and in-fighting. That period of confusion came to resolution with the creation of the Formula of Concord. Spearheaded by Jakob Andreae and Martin Chemnitz, this work settled some outstanding debates in early Lutheranism on topics like the third use of the Law, the real presence, predestination, and more.

You can catch up on previous readings for the Book of Concord online at www.canadianlutheran.ca/book-of-concord-reading-plan/. To learn more about the Reformation, visit www.reformation2017.ca.

“For thorough, permanent unity in the Church, it is necessary, above all things, that we have a comprehensive, unanimously approved summary and form of teaching. The common doctrine must be brought together from God’s Word and reduced to a small circle of teaching, which the churches that are of the true Christian religion must confess.”

- Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration: Summary

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