“500 Years: Martin Luther and the 95 Theses”

November 2 – 3, 2017

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

12:30 - 1:30pm
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“To the Ends of the Earth: Religious Transformations in the Age of the Reformation”

Professor Merry Wiesner-Hanks,
*University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee*

Professor Wiesner-Hanks will explore religious change in global context in the sixteenth century, and compare these developments to the Reformation(s) in Western Europe.

2:00pm

Perry Library Learning Commons Conference Room, 1310/1311

An Introduction to the “Kirchen Postilla”

Join ODU Department of History Professor Michael Carhart for an introduction to the “Kirchen Postilla,” authored by Martin Luther and published at Wittenberg in 1550. Luther himself died in 1546, but the piece, a liturgical and homiletic aid for pastors in his reform movement, continued to be published in his name posthumously. Perry Library Special Collections contains a copy of the sixteenth-century book.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

4:00 - 6:00pm
Baron and Ellin Gordon Art Galleries, 4509 Monarch Way

“The Impact of the Reformation on Art and Culture”

Invited guests to this presentation/panel discussion include Dr. Lloyd DeWitt, Chief Curator and Irene Leache Curator of European Art at the Chrysler Museum of Art; Pastor Rick Goeres, First Lutheran Church, Norfolk; Dr. Annette Finley-Croswhite, Department of History, ODU; Professor Bianca Hall, Department of Music, ODU.

6:30pm
Hixon Art Studio, 1028 W 46th St, Room 2011

Join the Art History Association and the German Club for a screening of the 2003 film “Luther.” Actor Joseph Fiennes portrays German monk Martin Luther in this film that recounts the dialogue and events which lead to the Protestant Reformation.