

LECTURE

Why in 2017 Should We Be Interested in the 500th Anniversary of the Beginning of the Protestant Reformation?



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Friday, October 13, 2017 at 7:30 pm, *free event*

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In honor of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, St. James Lutheran Church welcomes Dr. Susan Karant-Nunn to illuminate the relevance of Luther's protest in the modern era.

Dr. Karant-Nunn will explore some of the rich traditions and events of the 16th century and how they relate to the modern world. Her evening lecture, "*Why in 2017 Should We Be Interested in the 500th Anniversary of the Beginning of the Protestant Reformation?*" on Friday, October 13th at 7:30 p.m. is free and open to the public. The lecture will be held in the Sanctuary of St. James Lutheran Church.

A renowned scholar, Dr. Karant-Nunn is the author of several books including *The Reformation of Ritual: an Interpretation of Early Modern Germany*, 1997 and *Zwickau in Transition, 1500-1547: The Reformation As an Agent of Change*, and *The Reformation of Feeling: Shaping the Religious Emotions in Early Modern Germany* (Oxford, 2010). She received her Ph.D. in Early Modern European History from [Indiana University](http://www.indiana.edu), her M.A. in Medieval & Early Modern European History from University. She is a graduate of [Cornell College](http://www.cornell.edu) in Mt. Vernon, Iowa in Religion.

Karant-Nunn's books have influenced the field of Reformation history—so much so that a leading French early modernist, Professor Bernard Roussel of the Sorbonne, in 1997 entitled a plenary lecture: "A la manière de Susan Karant-Nunn: réflexions sur la réforme du rituel dans l'espace francophone" ["In the Manner of Susan Karant-Nunn: Reflections on the Reformation of Ritual in the Francophone Lands"]. Her newest book, *THE PERSONAL LUTHER: ESSAYS ON THE REFORMER FROM A CULTURAL HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE*, will be published on October 17, 2017.

This Friday night lecture is the keynote presentation for a weekend of events celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation at St. James Lutheran Church. A wine and cheese reception with Susan Karant-Nunn follows her presentation.