

## About This Issue

**V/D** As for whether Martin Luther in fact nailed the *Ninety-Five Theses* to that church  
**M/A** door on October 31, 1517, Volker Leppin and Timothy Wengert here present the original source texts and a balanced pair of arguments (for and against) to help readers form their own opinion. Further, they ask, does it matter? Co-editor of the *Luther-Lexikon* and author of a major Luther biography coming out soon in English, Leppin is Professor of Church History in the department of Evangelical Theology of the University of Tübingen. *Hasenbühlsteig 18, D-72070 Tübingen*; volker.leppin@uni-tuebingen.de. Wengert, retired from The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia and Associate Editor of *Lutheran Quarterly*, continues his writing and travels from *204 Linden Ave., Riverton, New Jersey 08077*; tjwengert@comcast.net. The co-authorship here is part of their shared membership in a Lutheran and Roman Catholic team preparing an ecumenical commentary on the *Ninety-Five Theses* for 2017.

**V/D** Recently, exegetes are doing history (of interpretation) and systematicians are  
**M/A** doing (theological) exegesis. R. David Nelson's forthcoming volume on Hebrews in the Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible will extend this trend and add to his monographs on Eberhard Jüngel (T & T Clark, 2013 and 2016). Here, the theologian/exegete presents a Pauline start on the doctrine of justification. After his 2011 Aberdeen dissertation on Jüngel, Nelson became Acquisitions Editor at the *Baker Publishing Group*, *P. O. Box 6287, Grand Rapids, MI 49516*; dnelson@BakerPublishingGroup.com.

**V/D** As 2017 approaches, Americans might assume that the proper way to show interest  
**M/A** is to make a pilgrimage to "Lutherland." Indeed, the pertinent tourism industry is awash in history. Hartmut Lehmann (again) gives us some perspective on 2017 by presenting previous such milestones and, in this case, earlier American tourists' impressions of Wittenberg. After a semester in Princeton, Lehmann, Professor Emeritus at the University of Kiel, is back home at *Caprivistr. 6, 24105 Kiel, Germany*; hrw.lehmann@-online.de.

**V/D** This issue's trio of Comments begins with Oswald Bayer's personal questions to  
**M/A** pastors regarding Martin Luther's pertinence to their calling. Originally for clergy in Württemberg, in Jeff Silcock's translation these twenty questions can stimulate pastoral readers worldwide. Bayer@unitybox.de. Our series on worldwide translations of Luther moves from Korea, in LQ 28 (2014): 194-205, to Japan, courtesy of Toshihiro Takamura, Timothy Wengert's final doctoral student at The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. ttakamura@ltsps.edu. Mary Jane Haemig, not only curator of the series on Luther in translation but also Book Review Editor, here comments on the books Lutheran Reformation professors think that parish libraries should have as 2017 approaches. Her survey shows the wide variety, or lack of consensus, in such circles. mhaemig@luthersem.edu.

**V/D** Besides the book reviews and annual index, this issue carries one more distinctive  
**M/A** Note (see p. 463). This is the last issue to be published in hard copy only, for *Lutheran Quarterly's* new publisher (Johns Hopkins University Press) will henceforth be adding full-text digital availability online.