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1) Round trip airfare per brochure, deluxe motor coaches, First Class / Superior First Class hotels, guided sightseeing, entrance fees to sites visited, breakfast daily per brochure, and 8 dinners; 2) Taxes and fuel charges totaling \$595 USD comprised of \$264.60 for fuel charges (subject to increase by airline up to 30 days prior to departure) and \$330.40 for taxes (including federal inspection fees for the U.S. Customs and Immigrations; international air transportation tax; agricultural tax; other per person taxes imposed by government entities; airport taxes and fees including the September 11th Security fee up to \$10 per person, passenger facility charges up to \$18 per person, federal domestic flight segment fees up to \$3.50 per segment and U.S. and International arrival and departure, and other government imposed fees up to \$300 per person); 3) Gratuities of \$185 for tour guide or cruise director, local host, driver, local guides, and/or ships' crew; gratuities on ferries, and cruise ships.

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Not included in your package are passports, visas, COVID-19 tests, vaccinations, laundry, 1 dinner, lunches, telephone, mini-bar, alcohol, other beverages, and food outside of the contracted tour operator menu as presented at a hotel or restaurant (these extra items will be billed to you before leaving the hotel, or restaurant), airport transfers on non-qualifying flights, porterage at airports, travel insurance, excess baggage fees, any fees or fuel surcharges imposed by the airlines after the date you register for your trip, and all other

PAYMENT:

A full deposit of \$500 per person is required at time of registration. Final payment must be made in the form of a check (credit cards are only accepted for initial deposit, any remaining payments must be in check form) and is due no later than 100-days prior to departure. Registrations received after 100-days prior to departure **must be accompanied by full payment.** There days prior to departure. All tour prices are based on a minimum group size of 20 passengers for prices to be valid. The following supplements may apply for smaller groups: 19-15 travelers, a \$150 per person supplement; 14-10 travelers, a \$195 per person supplement. If group size is less than 10 travelers, the tour may be cancelled due to lack of participation. If final (full) payment is not received by imagine Tours and Travel, LLC (hereafter referred to as imagine) 75-days prior to departure, you will be automatically cancelled from the four and your initial deposit of \$500 will be forfeited and additional fees may apply. imagine reserves the right to add a surcharge if the dollar declines by more than 2% against the euro based on foreign exchange rates in effect on date (03/02/23) when your tour was booked by your tour leader/church. All payments are required in US Funds.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is based on double occupancy (two persons sharing a room). When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While imagine will try to match roommates, we cannot guarantee one will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 75 days prior to departure. If one is not available or if you request a single room, there will be a single room supplement charge: \$795 for

ITINERARY and CHANGES:

Because airlines often change flight schedules after brochures are printed, imagine reserves the right to shorten or lengthen the itinerary accordingly. You will be notified in writing when possible. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$195 per night/per person (single rooms \$225) night). Meals for extra nights are not included. Any changes and/or deviations from the program and/ or departure city listed, by the passenger, must be provided in writing to imagine no later than 100-days prior to departure and any extra costs incurred will be billed to the passenger. All deviations are subject to a standard fee of \$150 plus any applicable airline fees. All tours are final at 70-days prior to departure. No changes and/or additions may be made to the tour after that time.

LAND ONLY:

Land Only price is \$4397 per person. Price does not include international flights. Land Only passengers may be responsible for transfers and/or additional overnights incurred by booking their own flights. We recommend you purchase a ticket which can be changed without large penalties, as the group's flights may change. Passengers changing from the regular tour to Land Only after 120 days prior to departure will be charged a fee of \$150 per

AIRLINE TICKETS:

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FLIGHT TIMES:

All flight times are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. imagine is not responsible for such changes or delays and does not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If making your own flight arrangements to a departure city or any other portion of your trip, we recommend you purchase a ticket which can be changed without large penalties. All passengers are responsible for reconfirming their flights with the airline 24 hours prior to

CANCELLATION FEES:

Any passenger cancelling from the day of registration to 100 days prior to departure will be charged a \$300 non-refundable administrative fee per person plus any airline penalties, if applicable. You will also be charged a single room fee if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single room from 75 days prior until the date of departure.

The following charges also apply: 99-75 days = \$500; 74-55 days = \$1950; 54-41 days = 75% of total cost; 40 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. **All cancellations must be received in writing.** On or after the day of departure there is no refund for any services not used. We strongly recommend you purchase travel insurance. If imagine cancels the tour due to lack of participation, there will be a charge of \$200 deducted from the amount refunded to each passenger for administrative fees plus any airline penalties if applicable. No changes may be made to the tour within 70-days of departure, as the tour is officially closed.

TRIP RESCHEDULING:

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Day 1 - Monday, May 13: Depart U.S.A.

Tour members depart on our flight to Frankfurt. After we board our flight for Europe, we will be served dinner according to the airline's schedule.

Day 2 - Tuesday, May 14: Rüdesheim, Mainz

Upon arrival in Frankfurt, we are welcomed by our tour escort who will accompany us throughout the whole tour. We board our coach and drive to Rüdesheim. This is followed by a cruise on the Rhine. Then we drive to the city of Mainz. During a city tour, we visit St. Martin's Cathedral, built in the 8th century and towering in all its might and grandeur. Seven king's coronations took place over the centuries in the and one of the largest and best-preserved medieval Mainz Cathedral. Then we will get an impression of the birthplace of printing at the Gutenberg-Museum. The heart of the museum's exhibition are two copies of the world-famous Gutenberg Bible, which are displayed in a special vault. Dinner and overnight are in Mainz.

Day 3 - Wednesday, May 15: Worms, Heidelberg, Mainz

Today we make our way to Worms, another one of the Luther cities and Germany's oldest city by the Rhine. A guided city tour shows us St. Peter's Cathedral, one of three Imperial Cathedrals in Germany and one of the best examples of Romanesque architecture. We see the Church of the Holy Trinity, the oldest Jewish Cemetery in Europe and the world's largest Memorial to the Reformation. Then we continue to Heidelberg, a gorgeous town on the Neckar River where romanticism is both past and present. A ride with the Heidelberg Railway brings us up to Heidelberg Castle (where the Heidelberg Confession was written in 1653). We visit the castle and the Castle Church. We return to Mainz for dinner and overnight.



Day 4 - Thursday, May 16: Nuremburg

Today we drive north with a stop at Nuremberg. According to Luther, Nuremberg was "the eye and the ear of Germany" in those days, because there were 21 printing houses to publish news. We take a walk through the Old Town including Albrecht Dürer House and the churches St. Lorenz and St. Sebald. Dinner and overnight are in Nuremburg.

Day 5 - Friday, May 17: Coburg, Erfurt

Today we travel further north to Coburg to visit the famous Veste Coburg, the fortress where Luther took refuge and lived during the Augsburg Confession castles in Germany. While visiting the castle, we'll see the Luther Room, the art treasures in the various collections, and the royal building with the Luther Chapel. The inside is a museum of medieval military weaponry, venetian glass ware, china, and tapestries. Afterwards, we visit the historical city. Coburg is your quintessential German town: picturesque, great food/ wine/beer/coffee/cakes, plenty to see and do. The vibrant "Marktplatz" is the center of the Old Town and a happy, bustling place. Afterwards we come to Erfurt, the spiritual home of Martin Luther. It was here that Luther obtained a degree in 1502 and where he took the decisive step to turn to theology and the monastic life. We explore the Augustinian Monastery. with a permanent exhibit depicting Luther's life as a monk in Erfurt. Dinner and overnight are in Erfurt.



Day 6 - Saturday, May 18: Eisenach

This morning, we make our way to Eisenach. We will visit the UNESCO World Heritage site Wartburg Castle. Here Luther found refuge during his exile and translated the New Testament from Greek into German. Here we will take a look at the room in

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which he lived and worked. Then we stroll the city of Eisenach and admire all its beautiful sights, such as the Luther House and St. George's Church, where Luther preached while "on the run" and later, in 1685. Johann Sebastian Bach was baptized. At Bachhaus, we attend a small concert. Later we proceed to Erfurt. Dinner and overnight are in Erfurt.

Day 7 - Sunday, May 19: Jena, Buchenwald, Dresden

Today we continue to Jena where we will visit the John Frederick memorial, the Black Bear Inn where Luther stopped disguised as Knight George, and the university. Then we make our way to the concentration camp Buchenwald and its permanent exhibit. We transfer to Dresden for dinner and overnight.

Day 8 - Monday, May 20: Dresden

Today we explore the wonderful Baroque city of Dresden. Highlights include the magnificent palatial buildings around the Theaterplatz and the Brühl Terraces, and the many art treasures at the state museums. Germany's largest Protestant church, the Frauenkirche has now been fully restored after being damaged during WWII. J.S. Bach was the first to play on the Silberman organ when the church was originally built. Then we make our way to Wittenberg for overnight. Dinner is on your own this evening. Enjoy exploring the city!

Day 9 - Tuesday, May 21: Wittenberg

After breakfast we depart for Lutherstadt Wittenberg. When it comes to Luther, there is almost no city more important than this one. Then we visit the famous Castle Church door, as well as the Luther House, the town hall, the historic center and the Town and Parish Church, the Marienkirche, the oldest building in Wittenberg. Dinner and overnight are in Wittenberg.

Day 10 - Wednesday, May 22: Berlin

We begin this day with visiting the picturesque Museum Island, which marks Berlin's historical center. Located here is one of the capital's most famous buildings, the Berlin cathedral. It took a while, but by now Protestantism is well and truly rooted in Berlin. Then we continue with the magnificent "Reichstag".

where most important decisions are being made by the German government. If possible, we explore this politically important building with a guide and take a walk around the spacious glass-dome, enjoying a fantastic view of the city. Afterwards we enjoy our farewell dinner. Overnight is in Berlin.



Day 11 - Thursday, May 23: Depart Berlin, Arrive in U.S.A.

We transfer to Berlin airport for our departure back to the U.S.A. and arrive home today with a greater understanding of Martin Luther and the early Christian Church, and full of wonderful memories of the incredible once-in-a lifetime tour to Germany.

Professor Jason Oakland served a parish in Neenah, WI for seventeen years before coming to Wisconsin Lutheran College in 2021. He has degrees from Martin Luther College and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. He is also studying Reformation history as PhD student at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. This trip will be his third time leading a tour in Germany. He recently joined the "Let the Bird Fly" podcast as a host.

Dr. Wade Johnston was a parish pastor in Saginaw, MI for ten years before coming to Wisconsin Lutheran College in 2014. He has degrees from Martin Luther College, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Central Michigan University, and Erasmus University in Rotterdam. He has written and taught extensively on Luther and his reformation. He is an original host of the "Let the Bird Fly" podcast.

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