Pastors Chris Manke and Paul Bulgerin Invite you to join them on a tour of the Footsteps of Martin Luther Featuring

Germany, Prague and Poland
\$4,495 Per Person, Double Occupancy from Brookfield

October 13 - 24, 2024

Highlights

- Historic city of Krakow
- 3 Nights in magical Prague
- Prague City Tour
- Dresden Germany's city of Culture
- Medieval Charm of Erfurt
- Eisleben Martin Luther's birthplace
- Martin Luther's Wittenberg
- Historic Berlin
- Plus much more
- 19Meals: 10 Breakfast, 2 Lunches & 7 Dinners
- Four Star Hotels
- Deluxe motor coach
- English speaking tour escort







Tour Itinerary

Sun., Oct. 13 - MILWAUKEE / EN ROUTE

Today we depart Milwaukee and drive to Chicago's O'Hare International Airport where we board our trans-Atlantic flight traveling to Krakow, Poland. (I)

Mon., Oct. 14 - KRAKOW

This morning we arrive in Krakow, Poland where we meet our Tour Escort who will remain with us throughout our journey. Krakow, Poland's capital from 1038 to 1569 and residence of kings, will come alive on our tour of the city. We will see the Old Town, The Jagiellonian University, Cloth Hall, Wit Stwosz's acclaimed altar masterpiece at St. Mary's Basilica, and Wawel Castle and Chapel, home to St. Stanislaus's tomb. This evening we enjoy a cultural dinner in Krakow. (I,D)

Tues., Oct. 15 - KRAKOW / Auschwitz / PRAGUE

A short drive through the Polish countryside brings us to the town of Oswiecim, also known as Auschwitz, site of the infamous Nazi concentration camp where millions of Poles, Jews, Christians, and others lost their lives. During our tour we will see several gut wrenching sites. We will also see Auschwitz Berknau, the Jewish section, where the basic structures of the camp have survived, and the experience is amplified by a number of exhibitions about the major victims of the atrocities. In recognition of its historical significance as a memorial to all who suffered and died here, the site has been included on the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage list. This afternoon we continue west into the Czech Republic to the City of a Thousand Spires - Prague. Dinner is included at our hotel. **(B,D)**

Wed., Oct. 16 - PRAGUE

This morning our sightseeing tour of Prague will include a visit to Hradcany Castle as well as magnificent St. Vitus Cathedral. A few yards away is the Golden Lane, a row of tiny, colorful 16th century houses, where the famous Czech writer Franz Kafka once lived. Following our visit to Castle District we will stop for lunch at the Brewery and Restaurant U Fleků in Prague, one of the most famous and visited Czech cultural sights. This afternoon we begin with a walk across the magnificent Charles Bridge that was built in 1357 and is lined with 30 religious statues. Our tour will come to an end in the Old Town Square where we'll view the superbly preserved medieval astronomical clock and its moving figures of the apostles, as well as the magnificent houses that surround the Square. (B,L)





Thurs., Oct. 17 - PRAGUE

Today is at leisure in Prague to explore this amazing city on our own. See one of the remaining Jewish cemeteries in Europe, enjoy a Marinette show, walk along the wonderful Vltava River, or browse the shops for Bohemian crystal, pottery and embroidered goods. Prague is easily explored on foot, with something for everyone! **(B)**

Fri., Oct. 18 - PRAGUE / Dresden / GOTHA

This morning we drive to Dresden where a local guide will show us this delightfully Baroque city, reborn from the ashes of World War II. Its star is the inspiring Frauenkirche, destroyed in the firestorms of 1945 and then rebuilt, and the Zwinger Palace. Our guide will take us on a fascinating journey through time, bringing Dresden's past alive with captivating anecdotes and stories about major events in the city's history. In the afternoon we drive to Erfurt one of Germany's most picturesque medieval cities. Erfurt is the spiritual home of Martin Luther, and the most important "Lutheran City." On our afternoon walking tour of Erfurt, the historical capital of Thuringia, we'll see St. Mary's Cathedral where Luther was ordained as a priest. (B,D)

Sat., Oct. 19 - ERFURT (Eisenach)

Our day begins with a short drive to Eisenach and Wartburg Castle, towering 560 feet above the valley, where Luther, disguised as a nobleman, took shelter from the wrath of the Pope when he translated the New Testament from Greek to German in 1521-1522. We'll also visit the Luther House where Luther was educated from 1498 - 1501. Eisenach is also the birthplace of Bach, often called the Fifth Evangelist. We enjoy a Bach Music demonstration before returning to Erfurt. This evening we return to Erfurt and visit the Augustinian Monastery, our home for the evening. We will tour the Monastery before enjoying dinner. (B,D)

Sun., Oct. 20 - ERFURT / Eisleben / WITTENBERG

This morning we depart Erfurt and drive to the little city of Eisleben, which is sometimes referred to as Luther's Bethlehem and Jerusalem. We begin with a a visit to the house where little Martin was born on November 10, 1483. The next day he was baptized in the nearby church of St. Petri-Pauli. This old gothic church has currently been beautifully restored. Martin returned to Eisleben as an old man, to reconcile the regions rulers and it was here that Martin Luther died on February 18, 1546. We will visit the building that has been regarded as "Luther's Death House" since 1726. The building was renovated in 2013 and expanded into a museum devoted to his memory and we will have time take a look around the church where he gave his last sermon. This afternoon we continue to Lutherstadt-Wittenberg to visit the Schlosskirche, for mass. **(B,D)**

Mon., Oct. 21 - WITTENBERG

Today we explore Lutherstadt-Wittenberg, it was here in 1517 that Martin Luther nailed his famous 95 Theses that sparked the Reformation. We will spend time in the Lutherhalle (Luther House) Museum, where Luther lived first as a monk, then later with his wife and children. We'll be able to view some of Luther's very own personal library, rare manuscripts, and early Bibles. The tour will also include Castle Church, Stadtkirche St. Marien (St. Mary's church) where Luther preached and where his children were baptized, and the Luther Oak where he burned the edict from Rome, condemning him as a "heretic". This afternoon is free in Wittenberg, a delightful town on the banks of the Elbe with a variety of activities. You can rent a bike, stroll along the "Luther Way" footpath or enjoy coffee and cake in one of the many outdoor cafés. Wittenberg's main street is known as the Cultural Mile, as back in Luther's day, the university attracted many of Europe's inventors, philosophers and intellectuals. Art lovers will enjoy Cranach's Courtyards, which commemorated the work of Lucas Cranach, the Reformation artist and printer. Melanchthon's House has a fascinating exhibition about the life of Luther's fellow Reformer Philipp Melanchthon. (B)

Tues, Oct. 22 - WITTENBERG / BERLIN

This morning a short drive brings us to the capital city of Berlin. We will tour historic and beautiful Berlin, divided for so long by the infamous Berlin Wall. We'll see Bellevue Castle in Tiergarten Park, the famous Brandenburg Gate that separated the Eastern and Western Zones, Charlottenburg Palace, once the home of the Prussian Kings, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, the symbolic heart of West Berlin, its towers rising as a symbol of peace between nations, famous Check Point Charlie and "Unter den Linden," Berlin's magnificent and historic boulevard. Our tour ends at our hotel where you will have time to freshen up before dinner. **(B,D)**

Wed., Oct. 23 - BERLIN

This morning we visit Museum Island for a visit to the Neus Museum. The afternoon is then free to stroll along the Kurfurstendamm, one of Europe's greatest boulevards, and to enjoy a break in one of the many sidewalk cafes. Or you may want to visit the St. Nicholas



Quarter, the oldest section of Berlin where the medieval St. Nicholas Church, cobblestone alleyways, plazas and courtyards, with reconstructed old town houses and romantic restaurants, remind one of the bygone days. This evening we enjoy a farewell dinner in Berlin. **(B,D)**

Thurs., Oct. 24 - BERLIN / MILWAUKEE

This morning we transfer to Berlin's Airport to begin our journey home. No better time to reflect on memories of our time spent on tour and new friendships made along the way! On arrival we board our motor coach to return to Milwaukee. **(B,I)**

Welcome Home

 $\label{eq:meal_codes} Meal\ Codes \\ I = In\text{-flight}\ B = Breakfast\ L = Lunch\ D = Dinner$

The Tour Price Includes:

- ♦ Round-trip motor coach transportation from Brookfield to Chicago O'Hare International Airport
- ♦ Economy class air transportation by scheduled flights Chicago/Krakow Berlin/Warsaw/Chicago.
- Transportation by deluxe private motor coach with accompanying English-speaking Tour Escort.
- Accommodations in Four-star hotels in twin-bedded rooms with private bath or shower.
- ♦ 16 Meals 10 breakfasts each morning and 6 evening dinners as indicated in the tour itinerary.
- Sightseeing as detailed in the tour itinerary including local guides and entrance fees where required.
- Luggage handling and porterage charges for one suitcase per person at hotels.
- ◆ Taxes for included ground services and U.S. departure taxes, Customs service charges, airline security fees, and fuel surcharges at \$571per person.

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