



Rediscover

your

Lutheran

history

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# The **history** of the saints that have gone before us is something to **treasure** and celebrate.

Whether it is the historical reality of Christ's resurrection, the true exposition of the faith in the 1580 Book of Concord, or the Saxon Lutheran immigration to the Saint Louis area in the 1830s, history has shaped our church body in undeniable and far-reaching ways.

How has Lutheran history shaped your life or your congregation? Perhaps you have an ancestor who immigrated on the *Johann Georg*, or your church was recently founded to address a long-standing need in the community. Whether you are a great-grandchild of C. F. W. Walther or no one else in your family tree has ever set foot in a Lutheran

church, all of us as Lutherans have a Lutheran history. There are historic touchstones to guide and inspire all of us, touchstones that proclaim our Heavenly Father's continued work in history to redeem all His people.

Concordia Historical Institute (CHI) exists to help you **rediscover your Lutheran history**. As the premiere archive of Lutheran history in North America, Concordia Historical Institute offers its friends and members the largest collection of Lutheran manuscripts, personal papers, books and published materials, multimedia, art, artifacts, coins and medals, and more in the nation.

*Whether you are researching a Lutheran ancestor, planning a congregational anniversary, or writing an academic article—whether you are a professional scholar or a novice, a pastor or a layperson—CHI is at the ready to help you navigate your Lutheran history.*



*CHI Executive Director Rev. Dr. Daniel Harmelink discusses the Institute's sizable archival holdings.*

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- processing congregational files
- preserving artifacts and photos
- digitizing records
- translating manuscripts
- creating museum exhibits
- maintaining synodical records
- sharing the legacy of missions
- planning educational resources
- collaborating with seminaries
- **curating your Lutheran history**

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