

EALING NEWMAN CIRCLE
2017/2018 Programme

THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION – FIVE HUNDRED YEARS ON

A series of talks to mark the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation in Europe. Our first talk will investigate the political and ecclesiastical circumstances in Europe in 1517 and examine the reasons why events occurred as they did. This will be followed by talks from representatives of different Christian Churches who will explain what continues to be important to them in their respective traditions in giving witness to Jesus in England today.

September 21st 2017

Was the Reformation necessary? The state of the Universal Church in 1517

Professor John Morrill, Selwyn College Cambridge.

October 19th 2017

Seeing the Reformation: Luther's theology explained through the Wittenberg Altarpiece

Revd Sarah Bagnall Farrow, St Anne's Lutheran Church.

November 16th 2017

From Division to Diversity

Revd Prebendary Mark Melliush, St Paul's Ealing.

January 18th 2018

Following Jesus as Pentecostals

Revd Richard Buxton, Ealing Christian Community, Northfields.

February 15th 2018

Baptists: Holy Fools or Children of the Reformation?

Revd Dr Simon Woodman and Revd Dr Ruth Gouldbourne, Bloomsbury Baptist Church.

March 15th 2018

Grace, Works and Sanctification: Methodist Reformation Emphases

Revd Calvin T. Samuel, Principal London School of Theology, Northwood.

April 19th 2018

A Quaker view: details to follow

May 24th 2018

The Church is Always in Need of Renewal

Fr Robin Burgess, Ealing Abbey

June 21st 2018. **An Ecumenical 'end of term' party to celebrate what we hold in common.**

The talks will take place in **The Newman Chapel, Ealing Abbey, Marchwood Crescent, W5 2DZ.** Each talk will begin at **8pm** and run for 45-50 minutes with a similar period for questions. There will be a voluntary retiring collection.

The aim of the series is to reduce misunderstandings through a better appreciation of differing faith priorities and to assist in promoting the cause of Christian Unity.