The Lutheran Church is primarily based on the teachings and beliefs of the 16th-century German friar, church reformer and theologian, Martin Luther. Discover 15 fascinating facts about Martin Luther, Lutheran History and Beliefs:

- The spread of books, enabling a growth in higher education, had a clear impact on the Lutheran reformers. Now that more of the general population could read and know the teachings of the Bible, it was the reformers' affirmation, led by Martin Luther, that Christians should live in accordance with scripture and disregard non-biblical Catholic traditions.
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- The Church claims to be both Catholic and Reformed. It upholds teachings found in early Christian doctrines, such as the Apostles Creed and the Nicene Creed. The Church also reveres 16th century Protestant Reformation ideas outlined in texts, such as the Thirty-Nine Articles and the Book of Common Prayer. The Church of England sustains a traditional Catholic order system that includes ordained bishops, priests and deacons. The Church follows an episcopal form of government. FACT CHECK: We strive for accuracy and fairness. But if you see something that doesn't look right, click here to contact us! VIDEOS. The Book Your Church Doesn't Want You To Read. Editor Tim C. Leedom. Editor: Technical Editor: Product Development: Cover .Design: Laser Typesetting: Graphics Coordinator: Publisher:

- Taken together these two ideas almost immediately yield the conclusion that the sources from which our knowledge derives must be super-human; a conclusion which tends to encourage self-righteousness and the use of force against those who refuse to see the divine truth. Some who rightly reject this conclusion do not reject the first idea - the belief in the existence of ultimate sources of knowledge. Instead they reject the second idea - the thesis that truth is above human authority. They thereby endanger the idea of the objectivity of knowledge, and of common standards of criticism or ratio Church of England, English national church that traces its history back to the arrival of Christianity in Britain during the 2nd century. It has been the original church of the Anglican Communion since the 16th-century Protestant Reformation. Learn more about the Church of England in this article.

- The Book of Common Prayer (1549, final revision 1662) and the Thirty-nine Articles (1571) became the standards for liturgy and doctrine. (In 2000 the church introduced Common Worship, a collection of services and prayers, as the official alternative to The Book of Common Prayer for congregations favouring a more modern liturgy.)

- The Church of England has maintained the episcopal form of government.