

Martin Luther (der 10. November 1483—der 2. Februar 1546)

Luther and Protestant Reformation

500 years after Martin Luther's excommunication: A chance for ecumenical Christianity



REBEL OR RUFFIAN: WHO WAS MARTIN LUTHER?

Luther in hell

The religious divisions from the 16th to 18th centuries affected artists as well. The Protestant artwork of Lucas Cranach, the Elder, placed the pope with lewd figures. The Catholic side countered, for example, with Egbert II van Heemskerck's painting "Luther in Hell." The reformer seems to be surrounded with eerie monsters, hellish demons and devils at the entrance to hell.