



Johann Sebastian Bach:

Reformation Cantata: Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott

(*A Mighty Fortress is our God*) Cantata 80

This year sees the celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, traditionally believed to have been instigated by Martin Luther when he posted his Ninety Five Theses on the door of the church in Wittenberg. In this cantata Bach sets to music four verses of Luther's Reformation Hymn. For this performance the Bach Collective joins Liverpool's two Lutheran communities for a Sunday act of worship. The four vocal soloists and chorus are joined by an ensemble of oboes, oboes d'amore, bassoon, strings and organ.

Sunday 5 March 2017 at 6.30pm

Lutheran *Gottesdienst* incorporating the Cantata,

led by the Pastors of the German Church,

in the Church of St Vincent de Paul, St James Street, Liverpool L1 5HA



LIVERPOOL BACH COLLECTIVE

Singers and Players
directed by Philip Duffy