



Luther College Nordic Choir Performance Tour of Germany and the Czech Republic May 28 – June 8, 2018

The following itinerary provides an overview of your tour events and timings.

****It is important to understand that times and activities are subject to change before or during the tour.**

Working Itinerary

May 14, 2018

Monday, May 28, 2018 – Casual Dress

Depart U.S.A.

Departure

Depart from Minneapolis today for your performance tour of Germany and the Czech Republic. We recommend that your group arrive at the airport at least three hours prior to departure. A Gateway representative will meet you at the airport. Please meet at Delta group check-in on the level below baggage claim at Terminal 1. Signed passports are required of all passengers. A meal will be served on your transatlantic flight.

Flight Group 1 – 58 seats

Date	Day	From	To	Airline	Flight	Depart	Arrive
5/28	MON	Minneapolis (MSP)	Detroit (DTW)	Delta	22	1:35 pm	4:15 pm
5/28	MON	Detroit (DTW)	Frankfurt (FRA)	Delta	86	6:14 pm	8:50 am (5/29)

Flight Group 2 – 13 seats

Date	Day	From	To	Airline	Flight	Depart	Arrive
5/28	MON	Minneapolis (MSP)	Amsterdam (AMS)	Delta	160	4:54 pm	8:15 am (5/29)
5/29	TUE	Amsterdam (AMS)	Frankfurt (FRA)	KLM	1765	9:50 am	11:00 am

Flight numbers and schedules are subject to change.



Tuesday, May 29, 2018 – Casual Dress
Arrive Frankfurt – Eisenach

Arrival	Arrive in Frankfurt, Germany, claim your luggage and clear customs. Meet your Gateway Tour Manager, Jake, and your English-speaking European guides, who will be with you for your entire tour to handle travel and performance arrangements.
8:50 am	Flight Group 1 arrives in Frankfurt.
11:00 am	Flight Group 2 arrives in Frankfurt.
12:00 pm	Depart Frankfurt for Eisenach. The drive time is 2 hours without stops.
Lunch	Lunch is on your own.
Hotel	Check into your hotel. Steigenberger Hotel Thüringer Hof Karlsplatz 11 99817 Eisenach, Germany +49 3691 280 www.eisenach.steigenberger.de
6:00 pm	Dinner is included at your hotel.

Wednesday, May 30, 2018 – Semi-Casual Dress
Eisenach

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
9:00 am	A local guide will take you on a tour of Eisenach, which was called home to both Bach and Luther. A visit will be made to the Wartburg Castle where Luther translated the New Testament into German.
12:45 pm	Lunch is on your own.
♪ 3:00 pm	Perform a church recital at St. George's Church in Eisenach.
Dinner	Dinner is on your own.



Thursday, May 31, 2018 – Casual Dress
Eisenach – Erfurt – Leipzig

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
9:00 am	Depart Eisenach for Leipzig via Erfurt today.
10:30 am	On your guided walking tour of Erfurt you'll visit many of the most famous sites, including the impressive Erfurt Dome, where Martin Luther was ordained.
♪ Impromptu Performance	An impromptu performance may be possible at the Erfurt Dome or similar.
12:00 pm	Lunch is on your own.
2:30 pm	Continue to Leipzig, check in to your hotel and have free time for dinner on your own.
4:30 pm	Arrive in Leipzig, a city with rich musical history. Not only did Johann Sebastian Bach live and work in Leipzig, so also did music luminaries Richard Wagner, Robert Schumann, Felix Mendelssohn and Gustav Mahler.
5:00 pm	Check into your hotel.
	LOGINN by Achat Fuggerstrasse 3 04158 Leipzig, Germany +49 341 962 120 www.achat-hotels.com/en/hotel/loginn-leipzig
7:00 pm	Dinner is included at your hotel.

Friday, June 1, 2018 – Semi-Casual Dress
Leipzig

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
9:00 am	Join a local guide to see the major sites of Leipzig such as the old Renaissance City Hall and the Mendelssohn House, the Gewandhaus and the Opera House. Visit Thomaskirche where Luther preached and Bach was organist and choirmaster. The church contains a large stained glass window depicting Luther with his translation of the Bible. Your tour includes admission to Thomaskirche.
♪ Impromptu Performance	An impromptu performance may be possible at Thomaskirche.
11:30 am	Lunch is on your own.
Free Time	Enjoy the afternoon and evening at your leisure.
Dinner	Dinner is on your own.



Saturday, June 2, 2018 – Semi-Casual Dress
Leipzig – Wittenberg – Berlin

- Breakfast** Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
- 9:00 am** Travel to Berlin via Wittenberg to continue following the footsteps of Martin Luther.
- 11:00 am** Arrive in Wittenberg, where Luther lived for 38 years. It was here that Luther gained notoriety by posting his 95 theses to the door of the Castle Church (Schlosskirche), sparking the movement that would become the Reformation. Your tour includes a visit to the Castle Church to see the famous door and Luther's nearby grave. Visit Lutherhalle, an important Luther museum located in the Augustinian monastery in which Luther lived, first as a monk and later as owner with his wife and family.
- 1:30 pm** Lunch is on your own.
- ♪ 5:00 pm** Participate in a church service at the Castle Church in Wittenberg.
- 6:00 pm** Continue on to Berlin.
- 8:00 pm** Check into your hotel.
- IntercityHotel Berlin Ostbahnhof**
 Am Ostbahnhof 5
 10243 Berlin, Germany
 +49 30 293 680
www.intercityhotel.com
- 8:30 pm** Dinner is included at your hotel.

Sunday, June 3, 2018 – Church Dress
Berlin

- Breakfast** Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
- ♪ 10:00 am** Participate in a service in the new church at the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church in Berlin. The church was damaged severely during a World War II bombing raid. The ruin was not rebuilt to serve as a reminder of the war.
- Lunch** Lunch is on your own.
- Berlin City Tour** A city-tour through the capital of Germany leads you to the main attractions of the town: See Kurfürstendamm boulevard and the Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtniskirche (Memorial Church), boulevard Unter den Linden with some of the most interesting historic buildings of Berlin, like Zeughaus, National Opera and, of course, the Brandenburg Gate. Friedrichstraße Avenue impresses with its mixture of modern buildings and historic facades. The Gendarmenmarkt with the two cathedrals and the concert building is one of the most picturesque places of the city. You will also see Checkpoint Charlie and the Reichstag building with its famed glass dome.
- ♪ 4:30 pm** Perform a promoted concert at the Tertianum Residenz in Berlin.
- Dinner** Dinner is included at your hotel or a local restaurant.



Monday, June 4, 2018 – Casual Dress
Berlin – Dresden

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
Free Time	Enjoy time at your leisure this morning before departing Berlin.
Lunch	Lunch is on your own.
2:00 pm	Depart Berlin for Dresden today. The journey will take 3 ½ hours with stops.
Dresden	A fascinating city of art and culture, Dresden's exceptional artistic and architectural heritage makes it one of the most prestigious cultural centers of Europe. Dresden's magnificent Baroque buildings, museums featuring world-class art, and its lovely setting on the Elbe, combine to make it a stunning city.
5:00 pm	Check into your hotel. IntercityHotel Dresden Wiener Platz 8 01069 Dresden, Germany +49 351 263 550 www.intercityhotel.com
6:30 pm	Dinner is included at your hotel.
Free Time	Enjoy time at your leisure.

Tuesday, June 5, 2018 – Casual Dress
Dresden

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
9:00 am	Your city tour takes you past magnificent sites such as Theaterplatz, the Brühl Terraces and the Semperoper for exterior photo stops. You will visit the Frauenkirche, the most important Protestant Church in pre-war Germany, destroyed in 1945 in a massive firebombing so intense the city of Dresden burned for nearly a week. Reconstruction of the Frauenkirche began in 1994 and was completed in 2005.
♪ Impromptu Performance	An impromptu performance may be possible at the Frauenkirche or similar.
12:30 pm	Lunch is on your own.
Dinner	Dinner is included at a local restaurant.
6:30 pm	Setup and rehearse.
♪ 7:30 pm	Perform a promoted concert at Loschwitz Lutheran Church in Dresden.



Wednesday, June 6, 2018 – Semi-Casual Dress
Dresden – Litoměřice – Prague

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
Free Time	Enjoy time at your leisure this morning before departing Dresden.
Lunch	Lunch is on your own in Dresden.
11:45 am	Depart Dresden.
1:00 pm	Visit the Terezín Concentration Camp Memorial Site.
3:15 pm	Setup and rehearse.
5:00 pm	Dinner is included at a local restaurant.
♪ 7:30 pm	Perform a promoted concert at St. Mary of the Annunciation in Litoměřice.
9:30 pm	Depart Litoměřice for Prague.
Prague	Prague, the “city of one hundred spires,” boasts stunning physical and architectural beauty at every turn. Once seat of the Holy Roman Empire and later the citadel of Europe’s ruling Habsburg family, Prague is a jewel set in the center of Europe. It is also home to more than ten major museums and its historic center is listed as an UNESCO World Heritage Site.
10:30 pm	Check into your hotel.
	<p>Occidental Praha Na Strži 1660/32 140 00 Prague 4-Krč, Czechia +420 296 772 111 www.barcelo.com</p>

Thursday, June 7, 2018 – Casual/Semi-Formal Dress
Prague

Breakfast	Continental breakfast is included at your hotel.
8:30 am	Your guided city tour of Prague begins in the Prague Castle complex on a hillside above the city. Cross historic Charles Bridge, lined with thirty Baroque statues and filled with Czech artists, musicians and souvenir vendors. See the 15 th century astronomical clock, Wenceslaus Square and Old Town Square.
12:00 pm	Enjoy time at your leisure.
Lunch	Lunch is on your own.
4:00 pm	Setup and rehearse.
♪ 6:00 pm	Perform a promoted concert at St. Thomas Church in Prague.
8:00 pm	This evening’s farewell dinner is a special affair: a private dinner cruise on the Vltava River.


Friday, June 8, 2018 – Casual Dress
Depart Prague – Arrive U.S.A

- Breakfast** A boxed breakfast is included at your hotel.
- 3:30 am** Transfer to the airport for your return journey.
- 4:00 am** Arrive at the airport.
- 6:30 am** Depart Prague. You will arrive in the United States later today.

Flight Group 1 – 58 seats

Date	Day	From	To	Airline	Flight	Depart	Arrive
6/8	FRI	Prague (PRG)	Amsterdam (AMS)	KLM	1350	6:30 am	8:00 am
6/8	FRI	Amsterdam (AMS)	Minneapolis (MSP)	Delta	161	10:30 am	12:32 pm

Deviations Passengers deviating are free to transfer to the airport with the group, however, please inform the tour manager. Those not transferring to the airport with the group should inform the hotel they will be checking out later.

It is recommended that passengers booked on a different flight schedule than their group confirm flight numbers and departure times with your airline at least 24 hours prior to flight and the day of departure for any updates.