

anchthon and their co-workers, and presented before the Emperor Charles V., in 1530, at Augsburg; hence the name. In addition to this, the Apology or Explanation to the Augsburg Confession, the two Catechisms of Luther, the Smalcald Articles, and the Formula of Concord are accepted as a correct summary of the faith of the Church.

By reference to them it will be seen, that we Lutherans believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost; we believe in the complete sinfulness of man, and the complete atonement wrought by the vicarious obedience, sufferings and death of Jesus Christ, the God-man, for all men; we believe in Justification before God by Faith in Christ; in Repentance; in Sanctification completed in the believer at death; in the Resurrection of the body; in the Second Coming of Christ; and in the Eternity of Hell and Heaven. We believe the only appointed Means of Grace to be the Word of God and the Holy Sacraments, and that the Grace of God is to be obtained ordinarily only through the Means of Grace. We hold Baptism and the Holy Eucharist or Lord's Supper, as the only divinely established sacraments. Of the former, we believe "that it is necessary to salvation, that through baptism the Grace of God is offered, and that children are to be baptized, who, being by baptism offered to God are received