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Fr. Wicks's scholarly interest in Martin Luther has led to several publications, beginning with his dissertation, *Man Yearning for Grace. Martin Luther's Early Spiritual Teaching* (1968). After that came *Catholic Scholars Dialogue with Luther* (Chicago: Loyola Press, 1970), offering translated articles by six other Catholic researchers on Luther, whom Fr. Wicks met while studying in Germany. His own later articles on Luther, first published in journals such as *Theological Studies*, *Catholic Historical Review*, *Gregorianum*, and *Pro Ecclesia*, came out in his collection, *Luther's Reform: Studies in Conversion and Church* (Mainz: Ph. Von Zabern, 1992). A retrospective essay, "Half a Lifetime with Luther in Theology and Life," appeared in *Pro Ecclesia* (2013) and is condensed in *Luther Refracted. The Reformer's Ecumenical Legacy*, eds. P. Malysz and D. Nelson (Fortress Press, 2016). Fr. Wicks wrote the entry on Luther for the encyclopedia, *Dictionnaire de Spiritualité*, which he adapted into an introduction to Luther, in *Luther and His Spiritual Legacy* (Michael Glazier, 1983; reprint, Wipf & Stock, 2016; 182pp).

In the tradition of the Münster Catholic Faculty, Fr. Wicks studied Luther's Catholic critics and theological opponents, bringing out a volume of translated responses, *Cajetan Responds. A Reader in Reformation Controversy* (Catholic University of America Press; reprint Wipf & Stock, 2011). Then came *Cajetan und die Anfänge der Reformation* (Münster, 1983), the entry "Controversial Theology" (Catholic), in *Oxford Encyclopedia of the Reformation*, ed. Hans Hillerbrand (1996), and "Luther in the Eyes of

his Roman Catholic Opponents,” in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Martin Luther* (March 2017).

Since 1986, Fr. Wicks served on Lutheran-Catholic bilateral dialogue commissions, first on the international commission which produced the study documents, *Church and Justification* (1994) and *Apostolicity of the Church* (2011). He joined the US Lutheran-Catholic Commission in 2005, for work on the documents, *The Hope of Eternal Life* (2011) and *Teaching Ministries in the Church* (in process). He also served on ad hoc commissions for drafting the *Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification* (1999) and *Declaration on the Way: Church, Ministry, and Eucharist* (2015).