

# THE LUTHERAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE MID-ATLANTIC



## The 2017 Abdel Ross Wentz Prize for Historical Writing on American Lutheran History

Abdel Ross Wentz (pictured above, first on the left) was a leading figure in American Lutheranism. From 1916-1956 he was a professor of church history and later President of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg. Wentz also served as the first vice-president of the Lutheran World Federation. His family established with the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic an endowment providing prize money for the best history paper on North American Lutheranism produced by a first degree Lutheran seminarian or graduate student. The prize is in the amount of \$2,500. Read more about Wentz and the prize details on the society's web site: [www.lutheranhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.lutheranhistoricalsociety.com)

Papers for consideration by the prize committee should include a letter of recommendation from a professor along with two copies and a cover sheet which includes the author's contact information (address, phone, email), institution, and degree program to be postmarked by August 31, 2017 and mailed to

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An electronic copy of the paper should also be emailed to [infor@lutheranhistoricalsociety.com](mailto:infor@lutheranhistoricalsociety.com) Attention to Pastor Stephen Herr

### Requirements:

- Submitted, with a letter of recommendation by a first degree seminarian or a graduate student. (2 prizes can be awarded each year, one in each category).
- Paper should be at least 25 pages in length, double spaced, with endnotes using Turabian Manual or Chicago Manual of Style
- The identity of the author and the institution the author attends along with the category the paper qualifies for should be on a separate page from the manuscript
- Papers should be **histories** of some aspect of Lutheranism in America and not broad, "history of religion" or theology papers