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Left: Lucas Cranach the Elder workshop, *Frederick III of Saxony*, 1533, Metropolitan Museum. **Center:** Lucas Cranach the Elder, *Martin Luther as an Augustinian Friar*, 1520, engraving. **Right:** Lucas Cranach the Elder workshop, *Martin Luther*, c. 1532, Metropolitan Museum

Beards distinguished most of the leading sixteenth-century Protestant Reformers, yet Martin Luther continued his habit of shaving. **Professor Patricia Simons** posits several reasons for his resistance to the new facial styling and examines their significance. [more](#)

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