Letter 384a: 14 April 1529, [Strasbourg], The Chapter of St. Thomas to the City Council of Strasbourg

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[Summary]: The chapter has received the church order from the council [sent on 10 April; cf. AST 80, no. 27] and will obey it. I.e. they will (1) have a lecture in the morning and will eventually institute afternoon instruction in Greek and Hebrew [cf. above, Ep. 383a]. At this point Bucer and Capito cannot undertake this additional work because the latter is in poor health and the former does not have the energy. Hedio and Sebastian Meyer [cf. above, Ep. 383 note 3] should be delegated to help them. (2) The council suggested reading a text from scripture, followed by a Latin exposition; the preachers suggest a prayer or psalm of the reader's choice instead. (3) They would like Bucer's salary to be raised and ask that they may be allowed to use the pension of the late Georg Hoffmann for this purpose. [Cf. above, Ep. 383, note 2; this request was granted, 19 May 1529].