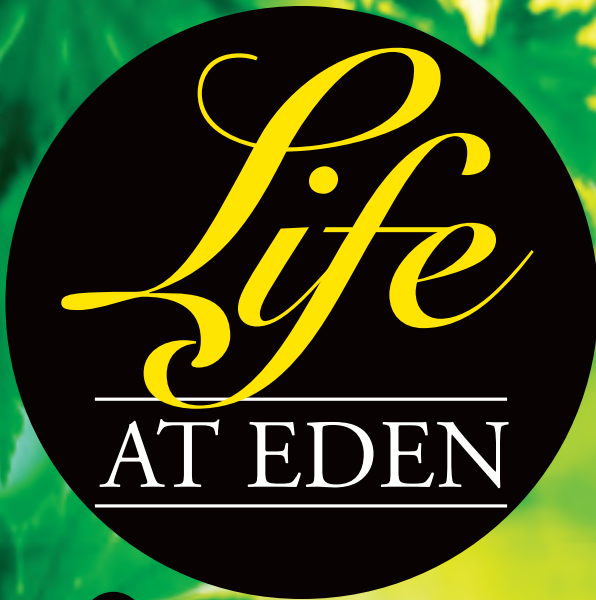
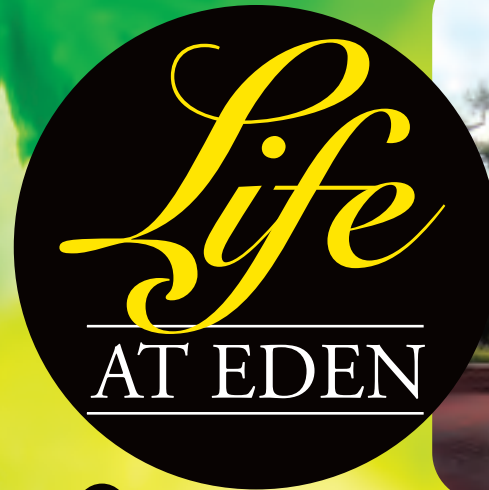


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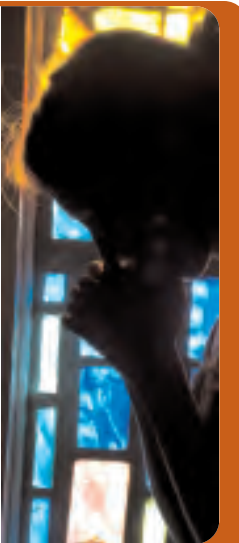


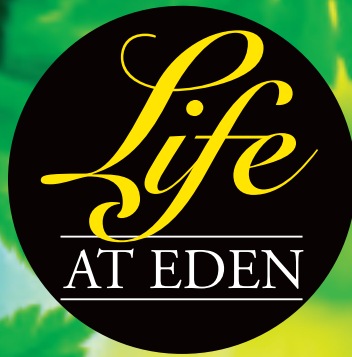
5 RETREATS:

LIFE at Eden offers five retreats each year, all held on the campus of Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. The overnight retreats begin with dinner on Friday evening and end with worship on Saturday afternoon.

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— Janet
Indiana-Kentucky Conference





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2 DAYS:

2 TRACKS:

The Basic Courses:

LIFE's Basic Courses are offered over a three-year cycle. The Basic Courses focus on these topics:



- discipleship
- thinking theologically
- the Old Testament
- the New Testament
- the nature of the church

- biblical theology
- worship and sacraments
- Christian education
- ethics
- justice and witness



- UCC history and polity
- preaching
- pastoral care
- evangelism

Persons may enter the **Basic Courses** at any point.

Second Track:

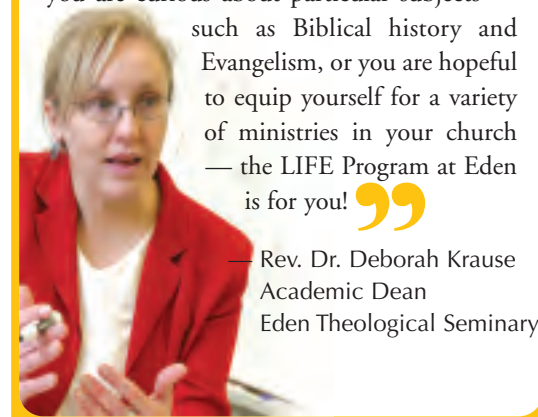
Each retreat also offers a "Life after LIFE" course focusing on a topic of timely interest in Christian faith and life. These courses are independent of the Basic Courses. Participants do not have to complete the Basic Courses in order to register for "Life after LIFE" courses.

See enclosed list of courses for this year.

Each Retreat Offers:

- Six hours of course instruction with highly skilled instructors, many of whom are Eden professors. Others are area church leaders.
- Worship in Eden's beautiful chapel
- Stimulating conversation and reflection with others eager to explore Christian faith and life
- Shared meals in Schroer Commons
- Fellowship, snacks and Bible Study in Boeke Center
- Lodging in seminary housing
- A discount in the Seminary bookstore

"Theological Education offers gifts of revitalized faith and deepened hope that belong to the whole church. The LIFE program at Eden puts these gifts in everyone's grasp. Whether you are curious about particular subjects — such as Biblical history and Evangelism, or you are hopeful to equip yourself for a variety of ministries in your church — the LIFE Program at Eden is for you!"



— Rev. Dr. Deborah Krause
Academic Dean
Eden Theological Seminary

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"LIFE is more than training or the seeking of knowledge. It is about a community of individuals that come together and nurture and support each other on our respective journeys. The courses without the community would not be nearly so effective."

— Robin
Missouri Mid-South Conference

"LIFE retreats are a chance to step away from the world and listen for the voice of God."

— Harold, Illinois Conference



"The LIFE Program has been a life-expanding, life-enriching experience for me. The incredible and inspirational instructors combined with the fellowship of wonderful people from several Conferences create a renewal of mind and spirit beyond imagination regardless of where you might be on your life's journey. This is one of our best kept secrets... come and see for yourself!!!"

— Becky, Illinois South Conference

"What a gift the Lay Institute for Faith Exploration has been to the Church! That lay people are taking seriously their own formation as disciples, deepening and enriching their experiences with grand theological and biblical insights; that some of this generation's most fertile minds value as well their own participation in the formation of disciples: these things can only enhance the mission and ministry of God's Church."

— Rev. Dr. John Dorhauer
Associate Conference Minister
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