

Stay up to date with the exciting things happening at Eden!

The 2021-2022 Academic year is officially off to a great start! Familiar and new student faces are seen in the halls of the Press building. Innovative, new technology in Eden's classrooms allow distance students to feel just as welcome and "at home" with classmates and the rest of the Eden community as those attending physically. "Thank you" to everyone that joined us for "*Opening Convocation*" earlier this week - what an encouragement for Eden's fall 2021 students! Rev. Michelle Higgins, senior pastor at St. John's Church (The Beloved Community) UCC, St. Louis, delivered the first sermon of the academic year and exciting announcements were celebrated. Read on to learn about this year's "*Opening Convocation*" and many more opportunities to engage with the Eden community!

Join us for "*Coffee with the President*," an inclusive virtual gathering, on September 9th from 9:00-10:30 am CT. Connect with the Eden community, hear updates from the seminary and join this informal conversation! <u>Click here</u> <u>to register</u>.

If you missed "*Opening Convocation*" this week, you can still take part and <u>watch the event here</u>. The Eden community welcomed students, celebrated faculty and began the new academic year with guest preacher, Rev. Michelle Higgins!

Join us on September 21st at 7:30 am CT, for the *Walker Leadership Institute*'s first "Langenberg Breakfast" of the 2021-2022 academic year. If you would like to join us in Schroer Commons, <u>click here for details, and to</u> <u>register.</u> Can't make it?...Langenberg Breakfast events will soon be available via podcast. All are welcome to register for *LIFE @ Eden*'s upcoming course, "*Leadership After 2020*." The course will examine the question, "What does this new, everchanging "new normal" look like, and how can we respond with faith, hope and love?" *LIFE* takes place Friday, Sept. 24th and Saturday, Sept. 25th. <u>Click here</u> <u>for details and registration</u>.

"*This Week in Eden History*," presented by the <u>Archives at Eden</u>, spotlights H. Richard Niebuhr, 1915 Eden graduate and prominent Christian ethicist. Graduating from Elmhurst in 1912 and Eden in 1915, Niebuhr influenced American religious thinking until his death in 1962. <u>Read the full story here.</u>

Leaving a meaningful legacy for you and your family while securing the future of Eden's mission does not require great wealth-just great vision! <u>Visit our</u> <u>website to find out about Heritage Society Member opportunities</u> or contact us at <u>advancement@eden.edu</u> for more information.

Alumni...don't forget...you have special access to EBSCOhost databases and other library services, via the Eden/Webster library. For more information and credentials for logging in to the Eden/Webster library, visit <u>Eden's Alumni Group Facebook page.</u>



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