



2022 Spring Convocation and more!

Welcome spring! And welcome to this edition of the "Friends of Eden" newsletter. Here, you will learn about the many upcoming events taking place on campus. We invite you to join us in Schroer Commons, the Wehrli chapel, the Rand rotunda and the classrooms in which you may be familiar. We invite you to experience Eden hospitality at its finest. If you cannot join us in person, most events have a virtual option. Regardless, we invite you to fellowship with the Eden community. Read on to find an event, gathering or course that interests you!

You and your guests are invited to join us in Schroer Commons, on Eden's campus, Thursday, April 21st at 7:30 pm for an all Alumni Homecoming reunion! We look forward to long awaited fellowship with old and new friends immediately following the first session of this year's Spring Convocation. (A Zoom option is also available). [Click here for Spring Convocation agenda, details and registration.](#)

All are welcome to visit the Eden Bookstore "Grand Re-opening" on campus, in Press Hall. Pick up a book authored by one of the Spring Convocation guest speakers, peruse available topics and resources, or check out Eden merchandise. Be sure to take advantage of extended bookstore hours during Spring Convocation. [You may also visit the bookstore online, here.](#)

Register for Eden's upcoming Spring Convocation - "*Pluralism: A Vision for Decolonizing Christianity*" - to be held April 21-22, 2022. All are welcome to attend events on campus! (An "online attendance option" is provided as well).

Enjoy homecoming gatherings, presentations, worship and more. See below for much anticipated sessions and worship times. [Find details and register here.](#)

- "Leaders shaped for participation in world Christianity - celebrating the teaching ministries of Allen O. Miller and Dottie Miller, and visioning for the future!"
- Noted scholars of religious pluralism discuss "Forming Christian leaders" in a panel conversation - Drs. Christine Hong, Eleazer Fernandez, Amos Yong, Judith Berling, and Eden's own, Dr. Damayanthi Niles.
- Group discussions on "Practical Implications for Activists, Scholars and Pastors."
- Special gathering for recent Eden graduates (2017-2021).
- Closing worship with senior preacher, Priscilla Dowden-White.

Shout out to all 2017-2021 Eden graduates...your alma mater has something special planned for you! Join us for lunch right after Spring Convocation's closing worship. This familiar space will allow you to greet one another, as well as one of Eden's latest "alumni authors," and be among the first to review and uncover trends in Eden's recent Contextual Education impact study. Contact us at advancement@eden.edu to arrange special benefits like mileage reimbursement, free on-campus housing and meals. (Zoom option is also available). [For more information and to register click here.](#)

Join Peace United Church of Christ, Metropolitan Congregations United, and Eden Theological Seminary for the *Marilyn Stavenger Social Justice Symposium*. Saturday, April 2, 2022, the in-person and online symposium, "Rooted in Justice: Claiming Our Dignity, Embracing Our Power," features guest speakers from Eden Seminary, the Deaconess Foundation and the Missouri Voter Protection Coalition. [Click here for details and registration.](#)

Everyone is invited to join us for *LIFE@Eden*! The next course, "The Treasure of Solomon," will be held online and in-person on April 8th and April 9th. The course, taught by Rev. Dr. Clint McCann, guides and exploration into the literary legacy of Solomon. [Click here to read more!](#)

Interested in the rich history of Eden? "*This Week in Eden History*," presented by the [Archives at Eden](#), spotlights influential people, events and stories from the past. This week, we present facts related to the German Protestant

Children's Home, which was incorporated in March of 1861. The institution was founded by Louis Nollau, a missionary, pastor, and early Evangelical leader who was also important in the development of Eden Seminary. [Click here to read more!](#)

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