

## Stay up to date with what's happening at Eden!

This academic year has been one of challenge, innovation and energy. This week and next, students, faculty and staff are especially energized at Eden Theological Seminary. Students are attending the last classes of the semester and prepping for final exams. Next week, after a whirlwind of thesis and capstone presentations, the 172nd Commencement ceremony takes place in Wehrli Chapel, on Eden's campus. Join us in congratulating the 2022 Eden graduates! And although the official academic year is coming to a close, you will continue to find a myriad opportunities to engage with the Eden community. This summer's robust programming is certain to offer content that will stretch your imagination and feed your soul. Read on to see what is happening at Eden!

Eden Theological Seminary will hold the 172nd Commencement ceremony on May 20th. We are excited to welcome graduates and families to this year's commencement ceremony, taking place on Eden's beloved campus. Join the 2022 graduates, the Eden community and keynote speaker, Congresswoman Cori Bush, for the celebration. All are welcome to register to attend via Zoom. Click here for details and registration.

Eden Theological Seminary and the Gamaliel Race and Power Institute have entered a partnership named the "Gamaliel Race and Power Institute at Eden Theological Seminary." The relationship is rooted in a shared vision for and commitment to a future in which people of color are full participants in this nation, sitting at tables of power and actively engaged in democratic practice. Click here to find out how you can participate in a one day workshop on May 31st.

Everyone is invited to join us for the *Walker Leadership Institute's* "Langenberg Leadership Breakfast" May 17th at 7:30 am CT. COCA-Center of Creative Arts Executive Director, Kelly Pollock, will continue our series about what's next in leadership. Kelly has expanded COCA's impact through innovative programs, significantly grown its reserves and endowment, and forged key partnerships. Kelly brings these talents and more, as she contributes her ideas in this breakfast forum. Click here to read more and register!

The Walker Leadership Institute at Eden and The Living Water Association of the Ohio Northeast UCC invites you to a "Millennials and Church" workshop on May 16th. Participate in three hours of conversations, presentations and active learning. Click here for details and registration.

Are you a church leader looking for inspiration for yourself and your community? If you are a Minister, Lay Leader, Deacon, Christian Education Director or Spiritual Seeker, the next *LIFE@Eden* course, "Story Matters: Turning from Trials Toward Joy," may be for you. This day of exploration through storytelling and the Psalms, to be held June 4th, features nationally known storyteller, Valerie Tutson, and songwriter, Richard Bruxvoort Colligan. Click here for more details and registration.

Missed Spring Convocation this year or would like to review a session? Eden's video content from "Pluralism: A Vision for Decolonizing Christianity," is easy to access and share! Watch a tribute video detailing the ministry and impact of Allen and Dottie Miller and more. Click here to access 2022 Spring Convocation content.

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. On May 12, 1887, the Congregational City Missionary Society of St. Louis was incorporated to "...promote religion and morality...by the employment of missionaries, the establishment of and support of churches, Sunday Schools, mission stations and chapels, for the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Click here to read more!

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!

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