

## Cloud of Witnesses

### Giving Thanks for the Life & Legacy of Jean Dremstedt

At Eden Seminary, we remember and give thanks for the life and legacy of Jean Dremstedt of Evansville, IN who died in October 2020.

Jean Dremstedt loved the ministries of the United Church of Christ and was not afraid to let anyone know it. Her enthusiasm was catching. She led by example. Jean served as part of the Eden Seminary Board of Trustees 1991 - 2003. As chair of the Development Committee, her practice was legendary. Stories continue of her example in speaking into the room during meetings her commitment to the ministry. Then, she would stand at the door between sessions and encourage her co-trustees in their financial stewardship.

Jean and her husband, Dr. Wilbur Dremstedt, supported many UCC ministries – their beloved Bethlehem UCC, the Good Samaritan Home and the Deaconess Hospital in

Evansville, IN, the Indiana-Kentucky Conference UCC, and the national Retirement Housing Foundation. Jean was generous with time, with expertise, and especially with passion. Co-workers and friends on these Boards remember Jean's joy, contagious laughter, sincerity, dedication and passion for helping others. At the time of her death, Frank Jahrling, colleague on the Retirement Housing Foundation Board shared with the family, "Jean easily made me feel at home with her sparkling eyes, happy smile and good humor. And that personality, along with a keen sense of "what was right" followed her into the boardroom."

Eden Seminary honored Jean with two special awards in the years following her Board service. In 2005, Jean received the Samuel D. Press Award for outstanding service and in 2019 she received an Honorary Doctorate in Humane Letters.

Because of the Dremstedts' generosity through the years, their legacy lives on in the students and the leadership formation made possible at Eden Seminary. Jean's friends and family give thanks for her as a faithful servant to Jesus Christ who lived a full and wonderful life with dear friends and family.

Giving thanks for this Great Cloud of Witnesses.



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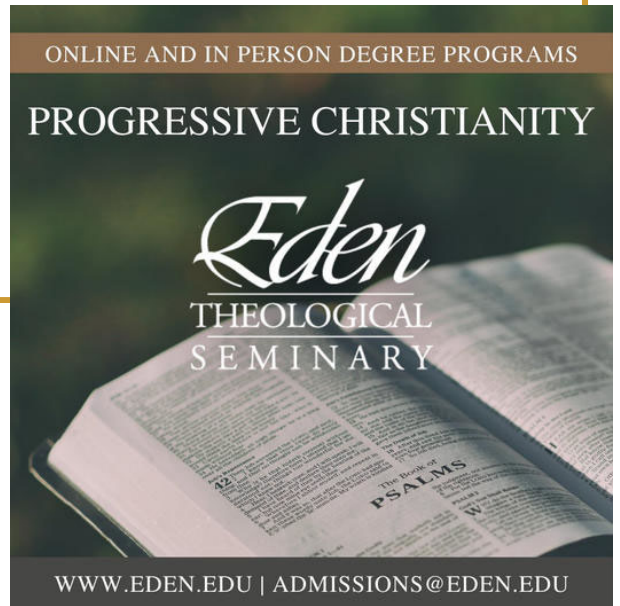


**Kendall Moore**

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