

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

The new academic year is officially underway. "Asynchronous" classes have already begun, and the "Hybrid Synchronous" classes begin August 29th. Students are choosing from highly flexible options which provide the opportunity to join our community of learners on campus or online. Diverse and vibrant communities are forming both in person on campus, and virtually. There are many ways for you to get involved and discuss issues affecting the church with our group of advocates and change makers for the Progressive Christian Movement. Read on to find the perfect place to join in the conversation!

Join the Eden community as we gather to celebrate "Opening Convocation" for the 2022-2023 academic year, on August 30th, 5:30-7:00 pm CT! Worship leaders include *Rev. Rebecca Turner* and *Rev. Monty Jackson*, both from Christ Church UCC, Maplewood. Help us celebrate and support your students and your seminary in person or online. Click here for details and registration.

Your status as a distinguished alumn of Eden comes with benefits! Library services are available to alumni through the *Eden-Webster Library*. Alumni can use the collection in the library and check out materials with an alumni library card (your student ID card will not be valid after you graduate). Alumni can also receive login credentials for remote access to the *ATLA Religion Database*. For more information about available resources and

obtaining your library card, contact Librarian, Scott Holl, at <a href="mailto:SHoll@eden.edu">SHoll@eden.edu</a> or call (314) 252-3130.

You still have time to join the fall "NEXT Steps" cohort! Hosted by the Walker Leadership Institute and LIFE@Eden, NEXT Steps introduces participants to theological, philosophical, and psychological concepts of vocation and aging. If you are contemplating, entering or recently retired, you will find this course invaluable as you plan a new and meaningful chapter of life. Click here for details.

The Walker Leadership Institute and LIFE@Eden invites you to explore hands-on, practical methods of "Leading a Missional Organization," on August 27th. Click here for details and registration.

The Eden Seminary Bookstore is your place for progressive theological resources and is open to the public! Feel free to stop by and browse recent arrivals in our physical store on campus, or peruse the <u>Eden online bookstore</u>. You may also purchase apparel and other items displaying the Eden logo by visting the new <u>Eden Merchandise Shop</u>. Save 20% until August 31st! Be sure to use coupon code "save20Eden" at checkout.

Congregations of the *United Church of Christ*, mark Sunday, September 18th, as "*Just Peace Sunday*." You will find #EdenLeadin' as President Krause and Professor Damayanthi Niles have contributed worship and study resources for this all-church observance. Find out more here.

SAVE THE DATE! The 11th Annual "Festival of Psalms" takes place October 2nd, 7:00-9:00 pm CT. This musical festival follows the St. Louis CROP Hunger Walk that begins with check-in at 4:30 pm CT on the Eden Seminary campus. Click here for more information. This "Festival of Psalms" also will be the public performance of Eden's "Story Matters" workshops on Saturday, October 1st, with nationally known storyteller, Valerie Tutson and songwriter, Richard Bruxvoort Colligan. Register here for "Story Matters workshops.

While "This Week in Eden History," presented by the Archives at Eden, takes a break for the summer, we know you continue to be interested in the rich history of Eden. Think you know Eden history? According to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch newspaper, in which year did eleven Eden students join "underwear picketing?" Find the answer here!

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 website to find out about Heritage Society Member opportunities</u> or contact us at advancement@eden.edu for more information.

