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Daffodils and crocus are in full bloom on Eden Theological Seminary's campus. Students who study here will likely have time to catch up on required reading and assignments, or perhaps even take a nap during "Reading Week," which begins March 13th. These activities signal the much-anticipated Spring Convocation. It will be here in no time, so make plans to join us April 13th and 14th, either on campus or via Zoom. Keep reading to learn more about Spring Convocation and how you can participate in this annual event, as well as other exciting events taking place this spring.

Peace United Church of Christ, along with Eden Theological Seminary and Metropolitan Congregations United, host the "Marilyn Stavanger Social Justice Symposium" this Saturday, March 11th. You are invited to investigate with us, how faith can inform what citizenship could be and what we can do when our lived reality falls short of our faithful vision. [Click here for details and registration.](#)

Are you retired or contemplating retirement, and considering your *Next Steps*? If so, the "Stepping out: Imagining Elderhood," in-person retreat, taking place at *La Salle Retreat Center* in St. Louis, March 14-16, is for you. "Stepping Out" is a program full of activities designed to stimulate your individual self-discovery as you delve deeply into your personal plan and truth

and discover meaning and purpose in elderhood. [Click here for details and registration.](#)

All are welcome to join on Eden's campus for the next *Walker Leadership Institute's "Langenberg Leadership Forum," March 21st, 7:30-9:00 am CT.* The series topic, "Solutions to Community Challenges" features Elder Shawntelle Fisher, Founder/CEO of *Soulfisher Ministries*. Elder Fisher will address our March topic - "Returning Citizens - How the Formerly Incarcerated Find Restoration and New Possibilities." [Click here for details and registration.](#)

Register now for Eden's 2023 Spring Convocation, taking place on Eden's campus April 13-14! The theme this year is "From the Ground Up: Food Security, Food-to-Table Partnerships and Pastoral Care." Join in the fellowship, celebrations, receptions and discussions. The "Herbster" event (for graduating classes 2018-2022) will take place Thursday, April 13th. We will be celebrating the Class of 1973 on their 50th anniversary! [Find details and registration form here!](#) Zoom options are available. If you would like help organizing your class members for a time of reunion during Spring Convocation, we can assist you in getting connected. Please reach out to us at advancement@eden.edu.

If you missed the annual "*Bracke Public Lecture on Leadership: The Future of Co-Vocational Ministry*" last month, [you may watch it here!](#)

Presenters discussed latest trends from "The Hartford Institute of Religious Research." Distinguished panelists, included Eden's "Visiting Professor of New Testament and Womanist Hermeneutics," Dr. Raquel Lettsome, "Faculty Associate in Migration Studies and Congregational Life" at *Hartford International University*, Dr. Allison Norton, and passionate preacher, teacher and nonprofit leader based in St. Louis, MO., Rev. Aaron Rogers.
