



## **Stay up to date with the happenings at Eden**

The Fall semester is in full swing. This week marked the beginning of the 175th academic year at Eden Theological Seminary! We give thanks to God for these years 175 years of transforming lives to transform the world. And we give thanks to you - who join us on this journey. And don't miss Rev. Traci Blackmon's inspirational message to new and returning students and all who support them on their theological journeys. (Link to service below). Read on to find how you can engage with the community of learning at Eden!

### **Eden Celebrates 175th year with Lively "Opening Convocation"**

Eden was thrilled to welcome Rev. Traci Blackmon, regionally, nationally, and a globally connected leader who has served as pastor-in-residence and lecturer at Eden, as the preacher for this special 2024-2025 academic year event. Rev. Blackmon awed new students in person and over Zoom with her thrilling message. It was the perfect way to open up a new year.

[Click here to watch the message from Rev. Traci Blackmon.](#)

### **"We Are Eden" Giving Club Officially Launches!**

In Celebration of Eden's 175th Anniversary we are pleased to announce the official launch of the "We Are Eden" Giving Club. Alumni and friends of Eden know that people make the difference in forming leaders who move spirits, minds, hands and systems to join God's love, liberation

and social transformation. You can celebrate Eden's impact now by becoming a sustaining member of the "We are Eden" Giving Club.

[Click here to learn more about the "We Are Eden" Giving Club.](#)

**Eden's "Ministry Cohorts" are catching on!** Seven "Ministry Cohort" themes recently announced range from "Church Leadership" to "Trauma Informed Spiritual Care." "Ministry Cohorts" support life-long learning and are open for anyone to join - licensed pastors, clergy, chaplains, Christian educators, lay leaders, and people just interested in the cohort theme. You will gain access to digital content as well as meet with your cohort group and facilitator on a monthly basis. Completion of this Ministry Cohort provides 9 contact hours of continuing education, subject to approval by the participant's credentialing body.

[Click here to learn more about these incredible offerings.](#)

**Subscribe now, to Eden's "Praxis Conversations!"** This year, in partnership with "Bridge Alliance," we launched the "Praxis Conversations," which feature lay and clergy faith leaders committed to justice, mercy, and humility, as they lead in this contentious election season. Subscribe now and gain access to all conversations, past, present and future! (Ask about our special alum discounts). [Click here for more information.](#)

**"NEXT Steps" program. If you are retired or planning for retirement, this Cohort is for you. Attention UCC clergy and clergy spouses, take advantage of available scholarships.** "NEXT Steps" is a partnership of Eden Theological Seminary and the "Parker Center for Abundant Aging" of "United Church Homes." Plan to register for the next Cohort that begins January 2025. [Click here for questions, registration and scholarship inquiries!](#)

**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! [Click here](#) to find out why Rev. Aaron Roberts and Rev. John Will (both Eden graduates) made the decision to support Eden through planned giving. Want to know more? Contact us at [advancement@eden.edu](mailto:advancement@eden.edu).



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