

# Stay Up to Date with the Happenings at Eden

Although this week is officially "Reading Week" at the seminary, a lot is happening - on and off campus. Plans for upcoming events like Spring Convocation, Eden's second annual Giving Day, and the 175th Commencement ceremony are underway. Summer Cohorts and Community learning opportunities have been created and are open for registration. We hope you will make plans to join us for Spring Convocation on April 24 and April 25, where we will also celebrate 175 years in mission and 100 years on the Webster Groves campus, at the "175th Anniversary Reception," just before the opening worship service. Keep reading to find all the details!

#### **Get Involved**

Theological education is for everyone...that includes you!

## **Spring Convocation - April 24-25**

Celebrate Eden's 175th anniversary! Make plans to join us for Eden's Spring Convocation on April 24-25. Spring Convocation is a great time for friends, graduates, students, faculty and community learners to engage with the vibrant academic and community life on campus, and remotely. Don't miss the social gatherings, presentations and panels on the theme "Constructing Communities of Resistance: Complex Identities in Biblical and Historical Interpretation" featuring Eden's

faculty members, Rev. Dr. Raquel Lettsome and Dr. Henry Kuo. <u>Click</u> <u>here for details and registration.</u>

## **Eden's Ministry Cohorts - Summer Cohorts Forming Now**

Ministry Cohorts at Eden allow you to sample many theological themes, offering peer learning with your ministry context in mind. Ministry Cohorts support lifelong learning and are for anyone - licensed pastors and ordained clergy, chaplains, Christian educators, lay leaders and anyone interested in the wide array of topics. Summer cohorts meet monthly from May through August and are ready for you to check out! Click here for more information and registration.

#### The Center For Lived Faith and Organizing

The Center for Lived Faith and Organizing educates, trains, and connects leaders with local and regional partners for long-term and sustainable ministry in organizing and justice work. The Center supports congregations, justice seeking community members, clergy and students. The vision is people of faith engaged deeply in transforming the world through community and cultural organizing grounded in theology and faith. The next session, "The Ongoing Fight for Reproductive Justice" will be held March 28 from 12:30-5:00 pm CT (online or in person). Click here for more information and registration.

## **Admissions Moment**

The Admissions team at Eden has curated a variety of online informational gatherings to increase awareness and understanding of the degree programs and services offered. As you "imagine Eden" consider joining these upcoming sessions and register for one or all of them! Or, forward to someone you know who might be exploring a call to ministry! Click here for details and registration.

# **Academic Spotlight**

Rev. Dr. Dietra Wise Baker, Director of the Walker Leadership Institute at Eden Theological Seminary is presenting a workshop this week at the Annual Gathering of the Council for Health and Human Service Ministries (CHHSM) titled "Building a Net for Justice." Eden's Dr. Julie

Jennings, Associate Dean of Enrollment and Student Support and Rev. Dr. Justin Shamell, Relationship Manager and Recruiter of Congregations joined Dr. Wise Baker at the annual event hosted in Boston/Cambridge, Massachusetts. Eden Seminary is grateful to be a contributing partner with CHHSM this year, collaborating and supporting the theme, "Into the Deep: Casting Nets of Justice," drawing inspiration from Luke 5:4.

# Celebrate Eden's 175 years of impact through your financial support

Eden has been forming leaders who move spirits, minds, hands, and systems to join God's love, liberation, and social transformation for 175 years! You are invited to join others celebrating this impact by belonging to the "We Are Eden" Giving Club. Through this special giving club, you help form leaders who engage congregations and communities with depth, imagination, resilience and experience! Click here to learn more about the "We Are Eden" Giving Club!









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