

**2023**  
***First Presbyterian Church***



***Scholarship Application  
and Instructions***

## **PRESBYTERIAN SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Scholarship Committee of First Presbyterian Church is pleased to announce the availability of a limited number of scholarships for individuals in our church community. To be eligible for consideration to receive a scholarship a student must be an active member of the First Presbyterian church of Bismarck or must be an active participant in the life of an under resourced PCUSA church for at least three years. The awards are given for students at any level of study beyond high school. An applicant may receive a scholarship for a maximum of four years; these need not be consecutive years. Graduate students may apply for scholarships, providing they are within the four-year minimum.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

Scholarship Fund                      Church Vocation  
Sorlie Scholarship                      Bachman-Snortland Scholarship                      Sam & Bertha Merritt Scholarship

## **HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

Completed applications for a scholarship must be addressed to the Scholarship Committee of the church and filed with the church office by **5:00 pm, Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**.

The student should request a copy of his/her latest scholastic transcript from the high school, technical school or college they are attending, or last attended, be sent to the Scholarship Committee of the First Presbyterian Church of Bismarck for delivery no later than **5:00 pm, Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**. This is likely to be the fall semester transcript for current students. Do not send a high school transcript if you are currently attending, or last attended, a technical school or college.

### **Two letters of recommendation are required:**

- Do not resubmit letters from a prior application. New letters are required for each year an application is submitted.
- At least one of the letters must be from an academic reference from the educational institution the applicant is currently attending.
- Letters from educational institutions attended in the past will only be accepted if the applicant is not currently in school.
- The other letter may be from a member of the First Presbyterian Church congregation, an employer, service organization or another academic reference.

### **The applicant must provide a one to three page typed letter describing the following:**

- His or her current church related activities at First Presbyterian Church, if attending high school and/or other faith related activities if attending college.
- School involvement
- Community involvement
- Career plans

There will be no discrimination as to nationality, sex, or race. The granting of these awards will be based on church life, academic record, personal character, and references. The amount of scholarship and designation of particular scholarship awarded will be determined solely by the Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship winners will be advised by June 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. Scholarship funds will be mailed directly to the college.

**ALL FULLY COMPLETED APPLICATIONS & LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION  
MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CHURCH OFFICE  
BY THE STATED DEADLINE OF  
5:00 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> TO BE CONSIDERED.  
NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL

<b>FULL LEGAL NAME</b>	
<b>FULL ADDRESS</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	
<b>CURRENT PHONE</b>	
<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>	

<b>NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL OR GED CENTER</b>	
<b>HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION YEAR</b>	

<b>COLLEGE NAME OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL</b>	
<b>COLLEGE ADDRESS OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL</b>	
<b>STATUS ENTERING NEXT YEAR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> FRESHMAN <input type="checkbox"/> SOPHOMORE <input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR <input type="checkbox"/> SENIOR <input type="checkbox"/> GRADUATE SCHOOL

**LETTERS FROM REFERENCES**  
 May be sent directly to the Scholarship Committee  
 or sent with the applicant's letter and application form.

} First Presbyterian Church  
 214 East Thayer Avenue  
 Bismarck, ND 58501  
*Attn: Scholarship Committee*

**LIST OF REFERENCES**

<b>ACADEMIC REFERENCE</b> Provide the <b>name and address</b> of the person serving as your academic reference.	<b>Name &amp; Address of Reference</b> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<b>OTHER REFERENCE</b> Provide the <b>name and address</b> of a member of the First Presbyterian Church congregation, an employer, service organization or another person serving as your other reference.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**

**DATE**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Latest available official transcript from the school the applicant is currently attending (or last attended).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter from the applicant, covering their <b>current</b> church related activities at First Presbyterian Church if attending high school, or faith related activities if attending college, <b>and</b> current community and school involvements.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter from an academic reference (may be mailed to the church separately).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter from another reference (may be mailed to the church separately).

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT**  
**TO CONFIRM THEIR COMPLETE APPLICATION HAS BEEN**  
**RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE OF 5:00 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**YOU MAY CHECK ON YOUR APPLICATION BY CONTACTING**  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT 701-223-6091**  
**OR BY EMAILING: [FINANCE@FPCBISMARCK.COM](mailto:FINANCE@FPCBISMARCK.COM)**