2022 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 FundChurch VocationSorlie ScholarshipBachman-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 13th.

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 13th.** 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 15th 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 13TH TO BE CONSIDERED. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL

FULL LEGAL NAME	
FULL ADDRESS	
DATE OF BIRTH	
CURRENT PHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL OR GED CENTER	
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION YEAR	

COLLEGE NAME OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL			
COLLEGE ADDRESS OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL			
STATUS ENTERING NEXT YEAR	☐FRESHMAN □JUNIOR	SOPHOMORE SENIOR	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

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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

<u>IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT</u> TO CONFIRM THEIR COMPLETE APPLICATION HAS BEEN

RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE OF 5:00 PM, FRIDAY, MAY 13th.

YOU MAY CHECK ON YOUR APPLICATION BY CONTACTING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT 701-223-6091 OR BY EMAILING: <u>FINANCE@FPCBISMARCK.COM</u>