

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH OF ALDEN

HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Description and Purpose:

The Redeemer Lutheran Church of Alden Endowment Fund Committee is pleased to offer an educational scholarship to a 2026 graduating high school senior who is, or will be, attending a college or a post-secondary school of higher education. This scholarship recognizes individuals who demonstrate strong academic performance, active involvement in church and community, and proven leadership qualities. Priority will be given to members of Redeemer Lutheran Church who meet all eligibility criteria.

Application Instructions

1. **Application Form** - Complete the attached Application Form
2. **Personal Statement** - include a brief written statement (on a separate sheet) addressing the following questions:
 - Why have you chosen your field of study, and what are your short and long-term goals?
 - How do you plan to stay connected to your faith and church life during your educational journey?
3. **Academic Records** - include an official transcript of your academic records, including ACT and/or SAT scores (if applicable).
4. **Academic/Professional Recommendation** - include a comprehensive letter of recommendation from one of the following individuals: high school or college advisor, counselor, or teacher/professor.
5. **Church Recommendation** – include a letter of recommendation from a member of your church congregation who can speak to your character and involvement.

ANY INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS (**MAILED AFTER April 1, 2026**) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED OR PROCESSED.

If you are selected for a scholarship, you will receive notification from a Redeemer Lutheran Endowment Committee member with instructions on when and where to receive the award.

Mail completed application to:
Redeemer Lutheran Church
Endowment Committee
191 Water Street
Alden, MN 56009

APPLICATION FORM

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS (include city, state and zip code) _____

NAME OF PARENTS or SPOUSE _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED _____

COLLEGE OR POST- SECONDARY SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR PRESENTLY

ATTENDING _____

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED AND WHEN WILL YOU BE ENTERING THIS POST – SECONDARY SCHOOL OR COLLEGE ? _____

LIST SPECIFIC HONORS, AWARDS, POSITIONS HELD, ETC. _____

LIST ALL WORK EXPERIENCES AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES. _____

DO YOU HAVE FAMILY WHO ARE MEMBERS OF REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH? IF SO, GIVE NAME AND YOUR RELATIONSHIP. _____

DESCRIBE YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND SERVICE IN THE LIFE AND WORSHIP OF REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH. _____