

2011

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 members of our church. 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 have been an active participant in the life of the church for at least three years. The awards are given for students at any level of study beyond high school. Four years is the maximum for receiving scholarships; these need not be consecutive years. Graduate students may apply for scholarships, providing they are within the 4 year maximum.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

- The Samuel and Bertha Merritt Scholarship

- Bachman-Snortland Scholarship

- The Church Vocational Scholarship

- The Ruth Robinson Scholarship

- The Richter & Chapman Scholarship

- The Sorlie 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 May 15th.

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 May 15th. 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, and/or other Christ-centered institution(s)
- School and/or 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 AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY THE STATED DEADLINE OF MAY 15th TO BE CONSIDERED. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT TO CONFIRM THE COMPLETENESS OF THEIR APPLICATION.

NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Full Legal Name:			
Full Address:			
Date of Birth:			
Social Security Number:			
Current Phone:			
Email Address:			
Name of technical school or college you will be attending in the fall:			
Complete address of the technical school or college:			
Status entering next year:	<input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate School	
Name of High School or GED Center:			
Year of High School Graduation:			
LIST OF REFERENCES:	Letters from these references may be sent directly to the Scholarship Committee or sent with the applicant's letter and application form.		
First Presbyterian Church Attn: Scholarship Committee 214 East Thayer Avenue Bismarck, ND 58501			
1. ACADEMIC REFERENCE Provide the name and address of the person who will be sending your academic reference.			
2. OTHER REFERENCE Provide the name and address of a member of the First Presbyterian Church congregation, an employer, service organization or another person who will be sending your other reference.			

Signature of Applicant	Date
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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 or other Christ-centered institutions, school activities, and community involvement, and their career plans.

- Letter from an academic reference (may be mailed to the church separately).

- Letter from another reference (may be mailed to the church separately).

All applications and letters of reference must be received fully completed in the church office by the stated deadline of **May 15th** to be considered.

No exceptions will be made.

It is the responsibility of the student to confirm their complete application has been received, prior to the deadline.

You may check on your application by contacting First Presbyterian Church at 701-223-6091 or by emailing genas@fpcbismarck.com.