



**H O W T H E
C O M M I T T E E
M A K E S I T S
D E C I S I O N S**

1. Completeness of application requirements.
2. Participation in church activities, including:
 - Youth activities and Programs
 - Mission trips
 - Retreats
 - Music program
 - Worship participation
 - Sunday School
 - Sponsored organizations, such as scouts or 4-H
3. Scholarship record, including types of courses taken and GPA.
4. Faith and character, as evidenced in personal statement and letter(s) of reference.
5. Service to school and community.



**C H E C K L I S T F O R
S C H O L A R S H I P
C O N S I D E R A T I O N**

Once your application form has been returned to the church office a file will be maintained to collect all your reference letters and other material.

You may call the church office at any time to check on whether or not your file is complete; however it is your responsibility for the completeness of your file. The Scholarship Committee will not consider an incomplete application. Pay close attention to application deadlines.

- Is the scholarship form in the church office?
- Is the School Data Report in the church office?
- Have my required references been received?
- Has my school sent a transcript?
- Photograph (will not be returned)

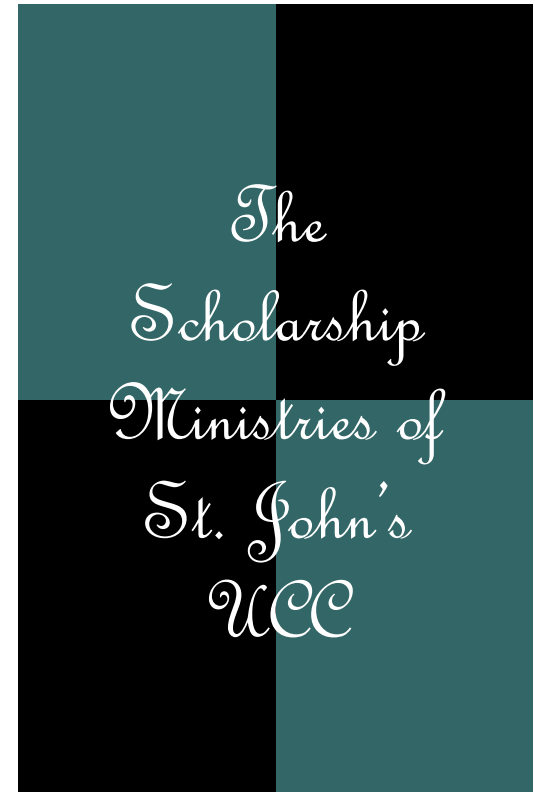
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MISSION
STATEMENT
AND HISTORY

MISSION STATEMENT

The scholarship ministry of St. John's United Church of Christ is dedicated to furthering the education of those of our membership who have experienced God's call upon their lives, and seek to grow into all that God intends for them to become. Education, whether a broad-based liberal arts education or that which prepares us for a particular profession or trade, is a stepping stone to the future which God is seeking to prepare for our lives. It is our mission to support students in their search for the fullness of life which Christ promises.

HISTORY OF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In October 1991, Mrs. Eulalia Koester wished to contribute to a church scholarship fund. No such fund existed so a committee was appointed to set up a fund and to formulate guidelines and policies. Mrs. Koester passed away in February 1992. St. John's Scholarship Fund received part of her estate, and the money was invested with the stipulation that the principal would remain, and the interest would be used for scholarships. In 1993 the first scholarships were awarded. Since that time additional contributions have been made to the fund, and the committee has annually evaluated applicants.

SCHOLARSHIP
FUND AND
SPECIAL
SCHOLARSHIPS

To the general Scholarship Fund have been added special gifts in memory and honor of individuals. Some have special restrictions while others are administered as the Scholarship Committee designates but are awarded each year as an individual grant. These scholarships are:

The Ethel Kiefer Bear and Bert Bear Scholarship

The Martha Jestel Kielbassa and Gottlieb Kielbassa and The L. Birdene Henney Milliner and Carl Milliner Scholarships

The Virginia Swinderman Scholarship: To be awarded to a student who has participated in the Sacred Choir or the music program of St. John's.

The Martha Henney Scholarship(s): To be awarded to either high school seniors or continuing college students.

The Low Scholarship: To be awarded to those students majoring in secondary education.

The Ruth Rausch Scholarship

The "Paying Forward" Scholarship: This is an interest free loan which is to be repaid to the scholarship program within seven years.

WHO IS
ELIGIBLE AND
HOW TO APPLY

The higher education scholarship presented by St. John's United Church of Christ in Dover, Ohio, is a financial award to a member in good standing of this congregation. Church members who meet the entrance requirements of the school of their choice are eligible to apply. To be considered, the application for the St. John's Higher Education Scholarship must be submitted to the St. John's Scholarship Committee by **March 31, 2024**. The following must also be received by this date:

Letter(s) of recommendation, the school data report and your transcript.

Entrants will be judged in three specific areas:

1. Contributions to and participation in the programs of St. John's United Church of Christ in Dover.
2. Scholastic record.
3. Community service.

This scholarship is usable at any accredited institution of higher education: four year university or college, two year college or technical school. Other institutions will be considered by the committee as to their qualifications.

Scholarship Forms are available from the church office and on the Church website.
www.doverstjohns.org

