



EPWORTH HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

2025 Announcement

The Epworth Planned Giving Committee is pleased to announce that once again we have a scholarship program to support church members' post-high school educational pursuits.

Over 20 endowments have been established by past and current members of the congregation to help ensure that Epworth continues to serve as a vital part of our community. A number of these endowments were designated by the donor for the purpose of education. The growth of these portfolios now enables us to honor the intention of the donors by investing in the future of our church members.

Scholarship Eligibility

The program is open to those of any age who have been a member of Epworth for a minimum of 6 months and are preparing to advance their education on either a full-time or part-time basis.

- This includes graduating high school seniors, existing students (College or University, Vocational School, Nursing School, etc.), and older adults who are continuing their formal education.
- Awards will be determined based on factors which include financial need, academic achievement, church involvement, community involvement, and overall goals and aspirations.

Application Process

- Qualified candidates must complete and submit the Higher Education Scholarship application
 - *Note: The application form has been designed for students who are preparing to attend college full-time. Some of the questions are not appropriate or necessary for those students pursuing Continuing Education opportunities (such as high school transcripts, etc.)*
- Completed applications must be received by May 15, 2025.
- The Planned Giving Scholarship Committee will announce awards for the Fall 2025 semester by June 30, 2025

It is our hope that helping to financially support the educational endeavors of our church members will encourage scholarship recipients to continue their support of Epworth's mission, and in turn, foster the healthy future growth of our congregation for years to come.



2025 EPWORTH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's Name (Circle One): Mr. Mrs. Ms.

The 2023 Higher Education Scholarship Fund was created through donations that are specific for education to Epworth United Methodist Church of Palmyra, New Jersey. It is administered by the Planned Giving Committee at Epworth and is open to all current members of the congregation. If there are any questions regarding this scholarship program, be sure to email EpworthPGScholarship2025@gmail.com

GUIDELINES

- 1) Awards are being offered to any member at Epworth who is in pursuit of post high school higher education. This list includes current high school aged students, those already in college, and any older adults who are continuing their education who are members of the Epworth United Methodist Church, Palmyra NJ. This includes, but is not restricted to; College/ University, Community College, Nursing and/or post high school Trade & Vocational Schools.
- 2) Awards are based upon several factors. These include financial need, academic achievement, church involvement, community involvement, and overall goals and aspirations. All of these factors will be considered in the evaluation process.
- 3) All scholarship award winners are encouraged to become active members of Epworth, or other similar Christian organizations, after graduation from their post-high school respective educational institution.
- 4) Awards shall be based on collective high school grades or current college based academic year's GPA.
- 5) Awards are to be made to a student as a part of that student's contribution to the cost of education. Every effort will be made to ensure that the award payment does not displace any other financial support to which the student may be entitled.

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6) Scholarships are at the discretion of Epworth Planned Giving Scholarship Committee. They are awarded for one year only but may be re-awarded in subsequent years. Multiple awards may be granted in any given year.

7) Epworth Planned Giving Scholarship Committee will not award scholarships to unqualified applicants and reserves the right not to award a scholarship in a given year. Each check is issued jointly to the student and to the respective educational institution.

8) All applicants must fill out this form to be considered for this scholarship.

Please type or print clearly. Use continuation pages whenever space on this form is inadequate.

Applicant Name: _____

Street: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone # & Email address: _____

Last 4 digits of SS#: _____

Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ No. of Dependents, if any _____

Education Information

School you will attend **Fall Semester 2025:** _____

Your class year this Fall: _____

You will be living: On Campus ____ With Parents ____ Independently ____

Your degree program/major is: _____

Your grade point average: Last Semester _____ Cumulative _____

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Church Information

How long have you been a member of Epworth United Methodist Church? _____
(Note: applicants are required to have been a member of Epworth for a minimum of 6 months)

Activities

Identify any school, church, or community activities in which you have actively participated and/or lead: (include an additional page or separate attachment if necessary)

Identify any special recognition/ awards/ honors you have received: (include an additional page or separate attachment if necessary)

Your current employment status is:

Full Time _____ Part Time _____ (# hours/week _____) Not Employed _____

Application Statement: The information provided in my application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate and I understand that false statements on this application may disqualify me from consideration.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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IMPORTANT

INSTRUCTIONS & CHECKLIST TO COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION, **YOU MUST:**

(Please check each box to review required attachments)

1) A Financial Need Statement is required. Please detail financial requirements for post high school education in terms of what your costs are, versus ability to pay by yourself/family. Attached is suggested budget spread sheet to fill out in this regard (Note: you can substitute your own version/format for a financial statement).

Attached? YES

2) If you received any other scholarships, grants, etc., be sure to include this information in your statement of household income & expenses.

N/A, If yes, attached? YES

3) Provide a transcript of your most recent available grades with your application.

[Note: If being supplied directly by your educational institution, mail to Epworth by 05.15.25]

Attached? YES

4) Submit this application with all requested documents to:

Mail to: **Epworth United Methodist Church**
Attention: Planned Giving Scholarship Committee
501 Morgan Ave., Palmyra, NJ 08065
Email to: EpworthPGScholarship2025@gmail.com

Note: If there any questions, or comments, please email Epworth Planned Giving Scholarship Committee

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS May 15, 2025

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“SUGGESTED” BUDGET SPREADSHEET

NOTE: Submit this worksheet or your own version

CATEGORY	MONTHLY BUDGET	MONTHLY ACTUAL	SEMESTER BUDGET	SEMESTER ACTUAL	SCHOOL YR BUDGET	SCHOOL YR ACTUAL
LIST INCOME (such as):						
• Jobs/Employment (W2)						
• Student Loans						
• Scholarships						
• Financial Aid						
• Miscellaneous						
• Other						
INCOME SUBTOTAL						
EXPENSES (such as):						
• Rent or Room & Board						
• Utilities						
• Tuition/Fees						
• Food/Groceries						
• Car Loan/Transportation						
• Insurance						
• Gasoline/Oil						
• Car Maintenance						
• Entertainment						
• Books/Supplies						
• Phone						
• Computer/Internet						
• Miscellaneous Expense						
EXPENSES SUBTOTAL						
NET INCOME (INCOME LESS EXPENSES)						

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