

Centennial United Methodist Church Foundation

DIVINITY SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT AND APPLICATION

For Full-Time Christian Ministry

We are pleased to announce and invite applications for the 2022-23 Divinity Scholarships available from Centennial United Methodist Church Foundation. These scholarships jointly honor Rev. Marlen Johnson, Centennial's first pastor, and Dr. Harry Kitts, charter member of Centennial and a noted agricultural educator. The purpose of the Johnson-Kitts Memorial Scholarship Fund is to provide financial support to students who are in formal education to enter Christian ministry on a full-time, professional basis. The Divinity Scholarship Program also includes additional awards from the Rosa Krogh Fund and from other CUMC Foundation sources. Scholarships have been awarded annually since 1971. We anticipate awarding six to eight scholarships for \$2,500 - \$5,000.

To be considered for a scholarship, the applicant should meet the following criteria:

- Be enrolled on September 1, 2022 in a seminary or graduate school listed by the University Senate per The Book of Discipline.
- Show professional promise and commitment to Christian ministry.
- Show financial need for scholarship.
- State intention to serve in the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

To be eligible for consideration, a completed application, plus certified transcript and three reference letters must be received by November 7, 2022. If you applied for the scholarship last year, please contact us about what you need to update in your application.

You will be notified of your award status in early December. The scholarships will be awarded during morning worship at Centennial Church in mid-December if possible. If you are awarded a scholarship, we will request you join us at the morning worship service and make a brief response for the presentation; however, this is not a requirement for full consideration for a scholarship.

Please fill out [this application form \(https://tinyurl.com/cumc2022\)](https://tinyurl.com/cumc2022), as well as send the required attachments to tracievandenburgh4@gmail.com.

Questions about the application may be sent to Tracie Vandenberg at tracievandenburgh4@gmail.com. You can also reach out to Tracie to request a printed application.