

*First United Methodist Church*  
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**ROGER & NANCY PIERCE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The First United Methodist Church of Clermont, Florida will award one or more scholarships from the ROGER & NANCY PIERCE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND on an annual basis. Applications for these scholarships **must** be received at the church office by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 to be considered.

Selection of scholarship recipients will be made by the church Scholarship Committee. Each applicant meeting the criteria for selection will receive a scholarship. Available scholarship money will be divided equally among qualifying applicants, except that each part-time student will receive half the amount awarded to each full-time student.

All scholarship money will be sent to the college or school, not to the scholarship recipient. It is the responsibility of the scholarship recipient to advise the church office of the name and address of the financial aid or other office where a check should be sent.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Currently maintain reasonable participation in church activities.
2. Submit an application using the form provided by the Scholarship Committee.
3. Be a high school graduate or graduating senior who is enrolled or has applied to a post-secondary educational institution, seeking a first-time undergraduate academic or vocational degree or certificate.
4. Have maintained a “B” average or better, and provide evidence of a 3.0 G.P.A. (on a 4.0 scale)
5. Students planning to attend a technical school or nationally recognized Art Institute (junior college) are eligible for this scholarship and are encouraged to apply the following year for additional financial aid. The scholarship is renewable up to 2 additional years based on satisfactory academic performance as determined by the Church Scholarship Committee.
6. If there are not enough qualified scholarship applicants, it is the PIERCE FAMILY option to not award any scholarship (s) this particular year.

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**ROGER & NANCY PIERCE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**  
APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 4:00 PM ON TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Full Member of the First United Methodist Church of Clermont?            Y        N

Are you currently active in church activities, either at First United Methodist Church of Clermont, or if attending school elsewhere, near your campus?    Y        N

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_                      Cumulative high school G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a current high school senior:

Signature of a school guidance official

Certifying your high school G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

College(s) or other higher education institution(s)	Yearly tuition	Enrolled or Applied	
_____	_____	E	A
_____	_____	E	A

If you are a current college or other student:

Cumulative college/other G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a copy of your latest grade report to this application.

I will be a: (circle one) full-time    part-time    student at: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of College or University)

What is your primary field of interest for a higher education? \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate sheet of paper, write one paragraph about each of the following topics. Do not write more than one page altogether. Be sure to include your name on the essay.

1.     Your current participation in the life of First United Methodist Church of Clermont and/or a church near your campus. *Please focus on the last two years.*
2.     Why you are applying for this scholarship.
3.     What vocation do you plan to pursue?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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Scholarship Applicant will use a second sheet to describe any unusual activities accomplished that might enhance their application.

Example:

I have been an active member of this church for as long as I can remember, however, those past few years I have definitely done the most. The past two summers I have been a part of the youth mission trips to the Appalachian Mountains and plan to go on the 2018 mission trip to the Dominican Republic. Along with that, I attend the 9:30 am service and attend youth group every week. I am also on the leadership committee for the youth group. I help out in VBS, Jerusalem Marketplace, and teach Sunday School as well, so as to lay a kind hand on the lives of the latest generation.

I am applying for this scholarship because I will be pursuing a career in the medical field. This will mean that I will be going to school for an upwards of 8 years to get my doctorate degree. Any funding to help lift the weight of tuition would be greatly appreciated.