**Trinity United Methodist Church (UMC) Scholarship Eligibility Requirements for 2017**

**Requirements for all Scholarships listed below, with the exception of the Rev. Lynn Arthur Brown Scholarship are listed under the scholarship**:

1. The student has been accepted by or is attending an accredited and approved institution of higher learning.
2. The student cannot be a recipient of more than one Trinity UMC Scholarship in the same year
3. High school graduates and current college attendees must provide **official** transcripts of their grades for that institution either by sealed envelope or electronically with a digital submission if sent from a Guidance Counselor/academic records office by the date required below. Based on the circumstances, returning adults may not have recent transcripts to submit.
4. A 1-2 page essay as to why you should be the recipient of the scholarship.
5. Please carefully review the criteria for each scholarship to determine if you are eligible and for additional requirements for submission. If you are unsure of your eligibility, be liberal in checking those for which you may think you are eligible. The Committee reserves the right to make a final determination of eligibility. However, consideration will **ONLY** be given for the scholarships checked at the time the application is submitted-the Committee will NOT include applicants for any scholarship applicant pools not checked.
6. All questions on the application should be answered completely.
7. **Completed application packages are to be returned to the Trinity UMC office *churchoffice@trinityumchurch.org or 90 Church St., P.O. Box 2142, Prince Frederick MD 20678*  either as hard copies or electronically both means of submission require hard copy official transcripts be delivered** **on or before COB (3 pm) Wednesday, March 1, 2017.**
8. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered**.
9. Applicants will be notified whether or not they are a recipient of one of the scholarships. Scholarships will be awarded on Sunday, June 11, 2017 during the Church services.

**The 11 Trinity United Methodist Church Scholarships available are:**

1. ***Josh Medlin Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: the applicant must demonstrate need.

1. ***W. Monnett Gott Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: to be awarded to an ethnic minority.

1. ***Barbara Weaver Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: the applicant must specifically be entering the teaching field. If there are no applicants meeting the criteria, then the scholarship will not be awarded.

1. ***Philip and Joan Harper Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: priority is to be given to a member of Trinity UMC.

1. ***Kenneth and Roberta Van Duzer Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: priority is to be given to a member of Trinity UMC.

1. ***Robert and Ruth Hall Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: for a returning adult or a 3rd or 4th year college student.

1. ***Alma Turner Bowen Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria is (1) the applicant is a member of Trinity UMC **or** actively involved in a Christian church

(2) a student in good standing in a current graduating class **or** a returning college student who is a resident of Calvert County.

1. ***Jay Thatcher Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: the applicant (1) must be a member of Trinity UMC

(2) preference will be given to someone with a career in music.

1. ***Trinity United Methodist Church Scholarship:***

Criteria: (1) the applicant is a student in good standing in a current graduating class in Calvert County

 (2) must be an active member of Trinity UMC for the past two years.

***10. William H. Scrivener Memorial Scholarship:***

Criteria: (1) the applicant is a student in good standing in a current graduating class in Calvert County

(2) priority is to be given to a a student involved in a Church youth group.

***11. Reverend Lynn Arthur Brown Scholarship for Ordained Ministry:***

 Criteria: (1) must be have at least a 2.5 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale, (2) include a letter of certification from the Chair of the District Committee of Ordained ministry for your district stating you are a Certified Candidate for ordained ministry, primarily to benefit a candidate for ordained ministry from the Washington East (WE) District if none, then any qualifying candidate from the Baltimore-Washington Conference