



P.O. Box 867
Columbus, GA 31902

THE BILL TURNER SERVANT LEADER SCHOLARSHIP 2023

Complete applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2023.
Please submit to Peggy Stanley, Student Ministries Administrative Assistant.

No man has freedom until who he is coincides with what he does. I think that's what God meant when He said that His name is "I am." John fully understood this when he said, "God is love." Love is both a noun and a verb.

-- William B. Turner, *The Learning of Love: A Journey Toward Servant Leadership*, (Macon, GA: Smyth & Helwys Publishing, Inc., 2000) 68.

BACKGROUND

2008 marked the end of an era in the life of St. Luke United Methodist Church with William B. ("Bill") Turner's retirement from teaching youth Sunday School. For more than 60 years, Bill faithfully shared the message of God's love and his own servant leadership journey with teenagers. The depth of his devotion crossed generations and denominations and made a tremendous impact on the lives of countless young people, as well as their families. Quite simply, his service has changed our church and our community.

In appreciation and recognition of Bill's unique love for teenagers, St. Luke has joined with Bill's friends, former students and colleagues throughout the community to establish an endowed Bill Turner Servant Leader Scholarship. The annual presentation of the award is intended to permanently commemorate the connection between Bill, his lessons, and future generations of youth.

OVERVIEW

The Bill Turner Servant Leader Scholarship will award \$2,000 annually to a graduating high school senior who is a member of St. Luke United Methodist Church. The award will be paid to the college or university of the student's choice and can be used to cover the cost of tuition, fees, housing, books and/or other education-related expenses.

The recipient of the Bill Turner Servant Leader Scholarship will:

- Have demonstrated outstanding servant leadership in their ministry associated with St. Luke Church.
- Be selected by a Scholarship Committee via an application process that enables students to detail their church-related activities and share the ways in which their participation at the church has been impacted by the concepts of servant leadership.
- Be evaluated based on the strength of their application, as well as the breadth and depth of their attendance at and participation in St. Luke-related activities, including Sunday School, The Corner youth, mission trips, youth fundraising activities, choir and/or praise bands, and other church programs.
- Be announced during Senior Sunday, May 7, 2023.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants for the Scholarship must:

- Be members of St. Luke United Methodist Church.
- Be graduating from high school during the 2022-2023 school year.
- Complete and submit an application form by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2023.

SEND COMPLETED MATERIALS TO

Turner Servant Leader Scholarship Committee
c/o Corner Students Ministry
St. Luke United Methodist Church

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 867
Columbus, GA 31902

Physical Address:
301 11th Street
Columbus, GA 31901



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full legal name: _____
Last
First
Middle

Name Prefer to be called: _____ Date of birth: _____ SS#: _____
Month/Date/Year

Permanent home address: _____
Number & Street
City
State
Zip code

Home telephone number: _____ - _____ - _____ Cell phone: _____ - _____ - _____ E-mail: _____

High school: _____ Graduation date: _____
School Name
City/State
Month/Year

Member St. Luke UMC: Yes Approx. membership date: _____ How?: Regular Confirmation Class Other

If "Other," please detail:

ST. LUKE-RELATED ACTIVITIES

In the space below, please detail the church ministry programs in which you have participated during the past four years, in order of their significance to you. (Include youth-related and regular church activities.) You may attach an additional sheet if necessary.

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ESSAY

Please submit an essay on an attached sheet, addressing the following topic: How has your activity at St. Luke helped you explore the characteristics of a servant leader? The essay should be between 300 and 500 words, and it should be typed.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information submitted is my own work, factually true, and honestly presented.

Applicant's Signature
Date