

Rumson Presbyterian Peacemaking Award

The First Presbyterian Church of Rumson offers Peacemaking Scholarships to two Monmouth County high school seniors who exemplify the standards established by its Peacemaking committee and have striven to achieve the ideals of our mission.

Our Mission:

As stewards of God's creation who hold the earth in trust, we are called to use the earth's resources responsibly, develop technological methods and processes that work together with the earth's environment to preserve and enhance life, ensure there are resources available to all people that are sufficient for life, and use earth's goods to create beauty, order, health, and peace in ways that reflect God's love for all creatures

We are also called to promote social justice and fair, honest dealing for all peoples, and for giving rights to those who have no power to claim rights for themselves. We can accomplish this by exercising power for the common good, supporting people who seek the dignity, freedom, and respect that they have been denied, working for fair laws and just administration of the law, welcoming the stranger in the land, seeking to overcome the disparity between rich and poor, bearing witness against political oppression, and redressing wrongs against individuals, groups, and peoples in this nation and the world. There is no peace without justice.

Financial Award:

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded in spring of 2024.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be a Monmouth County high school senior pursuing a two- or four-year college degree.
2. Applicants must demonstrate a dedication towards improving the community and/or the world through the promotion of the ideals and goals outlined in our

Mission Statement. These goals include, but are not limited to, tolerance of diversity, empathy for others, social justice for all, protection of the earth, and an active involvement to reach these ends.

3. The applicant must also demonstrate leadership towards achieving these goals, and a meaningful role in community service.

Application Process:

1. Complete the attached application.
2. Write an essay of between 250 – 500 words, explaining how you have worked to improve the community and/or the world through the promotion of the ideals and goals outlined in our Mission Statement. Your work may include, but is not limited to, tolerance of diversity, empathy for others, social justice for all, protection of the earth, and an active leadership involvement to reach these ends.
3. Include a letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, advisor, or pastor.
4. An official high school transcript must be included with this application.
5. Submit this application, along with your essay, high school transcript, and a letter of recommendation, to Susan Bostic of the First Presbyterian Church of Rumson at Elaine830@aol.com, by *March 20, 2024*. This application can also be mailed directly to the First Presbyterian church of Rumson at P.O. Box 399, Rumson, New Jersey, 07760.

Questions? Please contact Susan Bostic, First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, at Elaine830@aol.com.

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Application for Peacemaking Scholarship

Deadline for submittal: March 20, 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Current High School: _____

Year of Graduation: _____

What college will you be attending?

Name of College: _____

Address of College: _____

Please explain the community service or extracurricular activities you have done which furthers the Presbyterian Church of Rumson peacemaking mission.

Essay: Please tell us, in between 250 – 500 words how you have worked to promote social justice and tolerance in your community and/or the world. You may attach this essay as a separate page.