

## LUCE BERGESON STUDENT AID FUND APPLICATION FORM

**\*\*\* All applicants to complete this section\*\*\***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated High School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month / Day / Year

Name of accredited College, University or Seminary\* you are/will be attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Seminary must be ELCA. If not ELCA, stop here, you do not qualify for student aid through Luce Bergeson.

### **TRADITIONAL STUDENT (Ages 17 to 24) – complete this section if you are considered a traditional student and under age 25**

Have you received past scholarship support from Luce Bergeson? YES\* / NO If yes, what years and amounts?  
\_\_\_\_\_ \*Maximum number of years of student aid is four years

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of Decorah Lutheran since: \_\_\_\_\_ \* Previous church membership: \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

\*Must be a member of Decorah Lutheran for two years as of April 15 if transferred membership from Winneshiek County Church

### **NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT (Age 25 and older)**

Full Member of Decorah Lutheran since: \_\_\_\_\_ (Must be a full member for two years as of April 15 to qualify for aid)

Do you have a four-year undergraduate degree? YES / NO (if yes, stop here, you do not qualify for Student Aid)

Have you received past scholarship support from Luce Bergeson? YES\* / NO If yes, what years and amounts?  
\_\_\_\_\_ \*Maximum number of years of student aid is four years

### **SEMINARY STUDENT**

Full member of Decorah Lutheran since: \_\_\_\_\_ \*or Full Member from: \_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Full and continuous membership of 6 years as of April 15 is required to qualify for student aid

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature (Traditional Students)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If you attend a college or university of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, \$1,200 will be awarded per year for up to four years. If you attend a seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, \$2,000 per year will be awarded for up to four years. If you attend a vocational program, a community college, a private college or university (other than ELCA), or a tax-supported state university, \$600 per year will be awarded for up to four years. (These amounts assume normal income to the fund.) All students must fill out an application every year. A Statement of Intent needs to be done by first year students only. Mail this application and your statement of intent (a short essay on your educational/career intentions) to Luce Bergeson / Student Aid Fund, Decorah Lutheran Church, 309 Winnebago Street, Decorah, IA 52101 or bring them to the church office.

**Deadline is April 15**

**Late applications will be reduced by half until September 15. After September 15, any application can be denied.**

**THE STUDENT AID PROCESS IS NEITHER NEED NOR ACADEMIC BASED.**

**ADDITIONAL APPLICATION INFORMATION (Section I & II required for all applicants, Section III required for outside Winneshiek County residents)**

**SECTION I: Statement of Intent**

For first year applications, please attach a short essay explaining your intentions for college, potential major, and plans for the future. For all other students, please add any updated plans or changes in your educational studies in the area below:

**Section II: Verification and Statement of Congregational Participation**

To assure scholarship support for students who are personally involved in the worship, life and activities of Decorah Lutheran Church please answer the following questions:

- 1) Are you (the student applying) an active participant in worship service at Decorah Lutheran Church?
- 2) If a minor, is/are your parent(s) also active in worship at Decorah Lutheran?
- 3) In addition to worship, are you or other family members active or volunteering in other activities at Decorah Lutheran (for example: youth activities, volunteering as an acolyte, usher, or reader, etc.)?
- 4) Do you or your family actively participate in the financial support of Decorah Lutheran Church?

**Section III: Qualification if residing outside of Winneshiek County (*complete only if required*)**

If you reside outside of Winneshiek County, please explain your relationship to Decorah Lutheran to justify how you might qualify for the scholarship support (for example: you may reside in a community outside of the county, but are still an active, supporting member of Decorah Lutheran hence would qualify for consideration for this scholarship).