

The Ed and Trudy Duncan Scholarship Fund - Information and Statement of Purpose

Thank you for considering applying for the Ed and Trudy Duncan Scholarship. This scholarship award can be used for expenses for post-secondary education or training.

Ed and Trudy Duncan have devoted their lives to the betterment of youth. Whether teaching in public school classrooms, leading church youth groups, creating and nurturing The Wesley Bell Ringers, advocating for youth before the Utah State Legislature, or finding teaching moments on cross country concert tours, their constant goal has been to allow every young person the best opportunities to learn, grow and achieve.

For nearly 60 years the Duncans have shared that passion with Christ United Methodist Church. Generations of young people in this congregation have been and continue to be blessed, by Ed and Trudy's ministry. There are countless well documented examples and stories of their ministry known to all of us. There are perhaps as many or more moments where they quietly changed young lives with unconditional love and assistance when it was most needed.

While this scholarship is intended to honor Trudy and Ed, it also significantly demonstrates that we as a congregation paid attention and have learned from their example. With this scholarship fund we will pass along that passion for youth each year by helping at least one young student to learn, grow and achieve.

Attached is the application for the scholarship. Previous award winners are able to apply. Please complete and return the application and all supporting documents to Gina Williams (scholarship@christumcutah.org) by May 12, 2026, 5pm. The scholarship recipient(s) will be notified by May 16, 2026, and the presentation will be at the apPRAISEation concert on Sunday afternoon, May 17, 2026.