

## 2023 Marion Thoresen Memorial Scholarship Application

From 2018-2022 Midvale member, Marion Thoresen honored her late grandson, Alex, by establishing the Alex Thoresen Memorial Scholarship through Midvale Community Lutheran Church for students pursuing post-secondary education. Upon Marion's death in 2023, her son Michael and daughter in law Kim (who are Alex's parents) want to continue to honor both Marion and Alex in this way.

This scholarship is in the amount of \$1000 and is funded through the Alex Thoresen Legacy Foundation fulfilling his wish of doing some good and inspiring others to continue his mission (learn more [here](#)). The scholarship may be awarded to a single individual or shared amongst multiple recipients. While Midvale members may apply multiple times for this scholarship they may only receive it one time.

### **Marion Thoresen Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:**

1. Applicants must be confirmed members of Midvale Community Lutheran Church who will be enrolled in and pursuing a BS/BA/AA or tech degree from an accredited college, university, or vocational/technical school for the fall of 2023.
2. In honor of the qualities of compassion and openness to others that Alex exhibited in his life, applicants are invited to submit an essay (300-1000 words) that describes an example from their own life of a time when they shared compassion or caring for others. If you have submitted an essay for this scholarship in prior years, you may choose to re-submit this same for this year or to create something new.
3. In addition to the essay, the application should include: the applicant's name, mailing and email addresses, phone number, the name of the school in which they are or will be enrolled and the degree they are pursuing.
4. Applications must be completed and emailed to Brenda Goble ([brendag@midvalelutheran.org](mailto:brendag@midvalelutheran.org)) by midnight on **Sunday, April 30**. This may be submitted as a Google Doc, PDF, or Word document.
5. For the purpose of selection, Michael and Kim will receive all essays without identifying information so they may make a non-biased decision. They will have time to review the submissions and plans to make the selection of a recipient(s) by May 21, 2023. At that time all applicants will be informed of their acceptance or rejection.
5. The Recipient consents to have their essay shared in whole or in part with the congregation via printed or emailed newsletter and/or through our web page and/or Facebook.
6. The Recipient will be requested to attend a worship experience on **June 4, 2023** at Midvale to be publicly acknowledged and will receive the scholarship award at that time. More details to follow.

**2023 Graduates**

Gus Arnold  
Camille Cole  
Madeline Dean  
Kaden Frey  
Jack Larson  
Emma Linder  
Maggie Matthews  
James Nordeng  
Elijah Risberg  
Liam Risberg  
Ben Runzheimer

**2022 Graduates**

Tyler Cole  
Isaac Davel  
Ethan Fiegel  
Olivia Johnson  
Katie Linder  
Anna Mueller  
Ivory Nordeng  
Sigrid Rohrer  
Lauren Slattery  
Abby Stern

**2021 Graduates**

Kobey Frey  
Fletcher McGrath  
Christa Paskey  
Josh Porter  
Natalie Schick  
Esther Svaren  
Olivia Zerger

2022 recipient (not eligible)

**2020 Graduates**

Haakon Anderson  
Kurt Borcharding  
Melissa Brand  
Sofia Johansson  
Hannah Ringquist  
Kristina Rohrer  
Rachel Runzheimer  
Megan Slattery

2022 recipient (not eligible)

2020 recipient (not eligible)