

# **Choral Scholar Program**

**First United Methodist Church (“The Coppertop Church”)  
230 East Skyline Parkway, Duluth, MN 55811**

## **Purpose of Scholarship**

First United Methodist Church will offer a Choral Scholar the opportunity to pursue choral singing in a community that is committed to excellence in sacred music. First UMC’s Sanctuary Choir is currently 30 voices strong and sings at most Sunday morning worship services, as well as special services throughout the year. The choir is an important part of our 10am blended service which is rich and diverse and includes handbell ensembles, organ, a worship band, and children choirs.

## **Expectations**

Sing with First UMC’s Sanctuary Choir for a weekly Sunday worship service at 10am from September through May. A warm-up rehearsal begins at 9am

Sing at weekly Wednesday evening rehearsals from 5:45-6:45pm

As much as possible, sing at special services with the choir such as the Duluth’s Community Interfaith Thanksgiving service, Christmas Eve service, and Holy Week services.

Faithfully attend and be punctual to all rehearsals, worship services, and performances. We know that you may be absent during breaks in the academic year and we will plan accordingly. Other excused absences include college ensemble events, such as a dress rehearsal or concert.

## **Opportunities**

Opportunities exist for leading sectional rehearsals, conducting selected anthems, leading warm-ups, and singing vocal solos depending upon the Choral Scholar’s interest and abilities.

## **Honorarium**

The Choral Scholar will receive an honorarium of \$100 per month paid at the end of each month.

## **Application**

Through an application process, the First UMC Choral Scholar Program will give priority to college students majoring in music. The individual will be selected by Mike Goodlet, First UMC’s Choir Director, and Velda Bell, First UMC’s Music Director/Organist.

**For more information or to apply, please contact Velda Bell at [music@fumcduluth.com](mailto:music@fumcduluth.com) or 218-727-5021.**