

September 29, 2014

Church of the Three Crosses
Attn: Finance Committee
333 W. Wisconsin Street
Chicago, IL 60614

Greetings in Christ,

Please find the enclosed information including a detailed explanation of the apportionment formula and how your church's apportionment was calculated for 2015.

Your 2015 Apportionment Summary

Church # 20009	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$4,344	\$362
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,420	\$285
Strengthening the Connection:	\$612	\$51
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$8,376	\$698

Apportionments are one of the most significant ways in which we as United Methodists stay connected to each other and to the shared mission of the United Methodist Church. Through apportionment giving, United Methodists are able to do together what no individual, church, cluster, district, or conference could possibly do on their own.

There are many resources available to help you further interpret apportionments in your local church setting. For more information, please visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at www.umcnic.org/leadership-resources/apportionments/ or contact me at mbunt@umcnic.org or (312) 346-9766 x741.

Thanks for your continued support of our United Methodist connectional giving,

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Apportionments Administrator,
Northern Illinois Conference

2015 Apportionment Calculation for Chicago: Church of 3 Crosses Church # 20009

Please refer to the subsequent document titled "About the 2015 Apportionment" for an explanation of the revised Apportionment formula, approved at the 2014 session of the Northern Illinois Annual Conference.

Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	37,067	
2013: 37,350	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 37,053	Sub-total	5,931	
2011: 37,287	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 36,552	Average Weekly Attendance	45	
2009: 36,862	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	25,344	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+1,628	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	7,559	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -3,215 = 4,344
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	42,482	
2013: 43,610	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 42,625	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	5,947	-2,527 = 3,420
2011: 41,211			
2010: 45,736			
2009: 40,590			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	103,945	
2013: 105,722	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 103,169	Sub-total	1,039	
2011: 107,465	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	22	
2010: 102,944	Connectional Apportionment	1,061	-449 = 612
2009: 91,588	Calculated Apportionment	14,568	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-6,192 = 8,376
	2014 Apportionment:	7,692	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	