

September 29, 2014

First United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
77 W Washington St
Chicago, IL 60602

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 # 30019	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$48,924	\$4,077
Mission & Evangelism:	\$61,524	\$5,127
Strengthening the Connection:	\$25,776	\$2,148
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$136,224	\$11,352

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,

Merrie Bunt

Apportionments Administrator,
Northern Illinois Conference

2015 Apportionment Calculation for Chicago: First (Temple) Church # 30019

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	263,016	
2013: 275,482	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 252,877	Sub-total	42,082	
2011: 299,643	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 246,687	Average Weekly Attendance	459	
2009: 260,689	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	40,606	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+6,695	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	48,778	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) +146 = 48,924
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	438,087	
2013: 404,068	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 477,191	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	61,332	+192 = 61,524
2011: 484,284			
2010: 433,001			
2009: 597,245			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	899,169	
2013: 839,639	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 921,333	Sub-total	8,992	
2011: 955,495	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	16,702	
2010: 936,536	Connectional Apportionment	25,694	+82 = 25,776
2009: 949,829	Calculated Apportionment	135,804	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+420 = 136,224
	2014 Apportionment:	149,700	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-9%	