

September 29, 2014

Maple Park United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
11705 S. Elizabeth St.
Chicago, IL 60643

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 # 30029	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$9,696	\$808
Mission & Evangelism:	\$16,344	\$1,362
Strengthening the Connection:	\$3,036	\$253
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$29,076	\$2,423

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: Maple Park Church # 30029

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	60,467	
2013: 65,822	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 59,134	Sub-total	9,675	
2011: 60,194	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 60,800	Average Weekly Attendance	109	
2009: 60,406	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	5,616	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment		+18
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	9,692	+4 = 9,696
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	116,724	
2013: 132,659	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 117,927	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	16,341	+3 = 16,344
2011: 117,727			
2010: 114,518			
2009: 110,777			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	208,018	
2013: 234,648	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 211,808	Sub-total	2,080	
2011: 203,238	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	959	
2010: 209,007	Connectional Apportionment	3,039	-3 = 3,036
2009: 195,654	Calculated Apportionment	29,073	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+3 = 29,076
	2014 Apportionment:	30,144	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-4%	