

September 29, 2014

St. Mark United Methodist Church  
Attn: Finance Committee  
8441 S. St Lawrence Ave  
Chicago, IL 60619

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 # 30037	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$34,656	\$2,888
Mission & Evangelism:	\$87,900	\$7,325
Strengthening the Connection:	\$25,224	\$2,102
<b>Total 2015 Apportionment:</b>	<b>\$147,780</b>	<b>\$12,315</b>

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/](http://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: St. Mark Church # 30037

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.

<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	209,298	
2013: 202,804	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 193,892	Sub-total	33,488	
2011: 203,900	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 221,190	Average Weekly Attendance	500	
2009: 221,190	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(1,250)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	0	
	<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>	33,487	+1,169 = <b>34,656</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	606,660	
2013: 434,233	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 572,722	<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>	84,932	+2,968 = <b>87,900</b>
2011: 813,026			
2010: 865,356			
2009: 888,835			
<b>Strengthening the Connection Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	843,693	
2013: 677,921	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 789,714	Sub-total	8,437	
2011: 1,063,443	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	15,937	
2010: 1,156,748	<b>Connectional Apportionment</b>	24,373	+851 = <b>25,224</b>
2009: 1,120,875	Calculated Apportionment	142,793	+4,987 = <b>147,792</b>
	<b>Total 2015 Apportionment</b>		
	2014 Apportionment:	164,208	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-10%	