

September 29, 2014

St. Matthew United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
1000 N. Orleans
Chicago, IL 60610

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 # 20034	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$13,428	\$1,119
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,796	\$233
Strengthening the Connection:	\$828	\$69
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$17,052	\$1,421

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: St. Matthew Church # 20034

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	70,379	
2013: 58,610	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 73,263	Sub-total	11,261	
2011: 79,264	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 79,425	Average Weekly Attendance	40	
2009: 82,106	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	27,869	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+2,165	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	13,425	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) +3 = 13,428
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	19,980	
2013: 19,980	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 19,980	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	2,797	-1 = 2,796
2011: 19,980			
2010: 34,978			
2009: 54,057			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	81,153	
2013: 78,698	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 78,898	Sub-total	812	
2011: 85,863	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	17	
2010: 107,875	Connectional Apportionment	829	-1 = 828
2009: 122,646	Calculated Apportionment	17,051	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+1 = 17,052
	2014 Apportionment:	17,772	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-4%	