

September 29, 2014

First United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
202 S. Peoria Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

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 # 40012	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$20,916	\$1,743
Mission & Evangelism:	\$14,808	\$1,234
Strengthening the Connection:	\$4,788	\$399
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$40,512	\$3,376

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 Dixon: First Church # 40012

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> 2013: 145,859 2012: 129,208 2011: 121,046 2010: 136,467 2009: 123,352	Ave. Clergy Costs	129,676	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	20,748	
	Additional Calculation:		
	Average Weekly Attendance	223	
	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	11,912	
	Change to apportionment	+169	
Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment		20,917	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -1 = 20,916
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 124,368 2012: 112,397 2011: 103,892 2010: 100,894 2009: 94,924	Ave. Church Operation Costs	105,728	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	14,802	+6 = 14,808
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 320,640 2012: 325,561 2011: 278,124 2010: 299,068 2009: 228,110	Ave. Grand Total Spending	299,277	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	2,993	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	1,795	
	Connectional Apportionment	4,788	0 = 4,788
	Calculated Apportionment	40,507	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+5 = 40,512
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	39,876 +2%	