

October 4, 2013

First United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
216 E. Highland Ave.
Elgin, IL 60120

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 2014.

Your 2014 Apportionment Summary

Church # 50022	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$15,540	\$1,295
Mission & Evangelism:	\$35,364	\$2,947
Strengthening the Connection:	\$6,492	\$541
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$57,396	\$4,783

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. Please refer to the enclosed resource guide and for more information visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php 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

2014 Apportionment Calculation for Elgin: First Church # 50022

Please refer to the following page titled "About the 2014 Apportionment" for an explanation of the Apportionment formula.

Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	96,629	
2012: 107,469	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 96,985	Sub-total	15,461	
2010: 108,460	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 85,434	Average Weekly Attendance	172	
2008: 82,190	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	9,417	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+84	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	15,544	
			Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
			-4 = 15,540
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	252,553	
2012: 238,234	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 260,032	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	35,357	
2010: 296,294			+7 = 35,364
2009: 268,037			
2008: 259,395			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	367,015	
2012: 357,990	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 374,208	Sub-total	3,670	
2010: 368,846	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+2,820	
2009: 422,527	Connectional Apportionment	6,490	
2008: 350,865	Calculated Apportionment	57,391	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		+5 = 57,396
	2013 Apportionment:	59,844	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-4%	

Remember: We averaged the three middle years after discarding the highest and lowest years.

**When 2012 was the lowest year of the 5 year data set, we averaged the three lowest years.