

September 29, 2014

Erie United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
P.O. Box 616
Erie, IL 61250

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 # 40017	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$8,700	\$725
Mission & Evangelism:	\$6,756	\$563
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,500	\$125
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$16,956	\$1,413

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 Erie Church # 40017

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: 51,065 2012: 50,353 2011: 51,216 2010: 61,001 2009: 61,811	Ave. Clergy Costs	54,427	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	8,708	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	123 (2,084) -1	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	8,707	-7 = 8,700
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 49,334 2012: 44,981 2011: 45,863 2010: 49,597 2009: 56,907	Ave. Church Operation Costs	48,265	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	6,757	-1 = 6,756
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 146,324 2012: 139,746 2011: 142,471 2010: 142,180 2009: 117,463	Ave. Grand Total Spending	141,466	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	1,415	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	82	
	Connectional Apportionment	1,496	+4 = 1,500
	Calculated Apportionment	16,961	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-5 = 16,956
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	16,092 +5%	