

September 29, 2014

Esmond United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
P.O. Box 116
Esmond, IL 60129

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 # 40018	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$3,660	\$305
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,304	\$192
Strengthening the Connection:	\$444	\$37
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$6,408	\$534

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 Esmond Church # 40018

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	25,261	
2013: 25,868	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 25,060	Sub-total	4,042	
2011: 25,828	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 24,896	Average Weekly Attendance	35	
2009: 23,609	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(9,061)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-74	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	3,967	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
			-307 = 3,660
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	17,836	
2013: 17,377	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 19,645	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	2,497	-193 = 2,304
2011: 18,288			
2010: 17,842			
2009: 17,292			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	48,303	
2013: 49,650	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 50,227	Sub-total	483	
2011: 47,713	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 47,545	Connectional Apportionment	483	-39 = 444
2009: 42,984	Calculated Apportionment	6,947	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-539 = 6,408
	2014 Apportionment:	5,880	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+9%	