

October 4, 2013

Florence United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
2649 W Florence Rd
Freeport, IL 61032-9461

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 # 60018	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$0	\$0
Mission & Evangelism:	\$2,664	\$222
Strengthening the Connection:	\$420	\$35
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$3,084	\$257

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 Florence Church # 60018

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**	9,571	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2012: 4,640	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 19,767	Sub-total	1,531	
2010: 19,767	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 11,500	Average Weekly Attendance	19	
2008: 12,573	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(38,047)	
	Change to apportionment	-5,508	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	0	0 = 0
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	9,153	+1,383 = 2,664
2012: 9,136	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 9,136	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	1,281	
2010: 9,186			
2009: 9,201			
2008: 11,666			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending**	20,323	+217 = 420
2012: 13,776	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 28,168	Sub-total	203	
2010: 27,460	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2009: 22,455	Connectional Apportionment	203	
2008: 24,739	Calculated Apportionment	1,484	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		+1,600 = 3,084
	2013 Apportionment:	3,384	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-9%	

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.