

September 29, 2014

Faith United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
1440 S Walnut Ave
Freeport, IL 61032

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 # 60021	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$10,272	\$856
Mission & Evangelism:	\$19,008	\$1,584
Strengthening the Connection:	\$3,192	\$266
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$32,472	\$2,706

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 Freeport: Faith Church # 60021

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	70,374	
2013: 72,842	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 72,386	Sub-total	11,260	
2011: 69,325	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 68,225	Average Weekly Attendance	229	
2009: 69,411	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(21,432)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-984	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	10,275	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -3 = 10,272
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	135,725	
2013: 130,015	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 150,817	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	19,001	+7 = 19,008
2011: 146,731			
2010: 134,395			
2009: 142,765			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	233,849	
2013: 227,593	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 255,210	Sub-total	2,338	
2011: 241,453	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	852	
2010: 232,501	Connectional Apportionment	3,190	+2 = 3,192
2009: 213,460	Calculated Apportionment	32,467	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+5 = 32,472
	2014 Apportionment:	32,040	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+1%	