

September 29, 2014

Harding United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
1635 N 4012th Rd
Earlville, IL 60518

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 # 40022	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$4,008	\$334
Mission & Evangelism:	\$1,512	\$126
Strengthening the Connection:	\$420	\$35
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$5,940	\$495

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 Harding Church # 40022

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	25,075	
2013: 25,803	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 25,073	Sub-total	4,012	
2011: 24,905	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 23,868	Average Weekly Attendance	12	
2009: 25,248	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	-	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	0	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	4,012	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -4 = 4,008
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	10,778	
2013: 9,825	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 10,165	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	1,509	+3 = 1,512
2011: 12,343			
2010: 15,602			
2009: 14,213			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	42,038	
2013: 39,925	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 40,375	Sub-total	420	
2011: 45,815	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 46,785	Connectional Apportionment	420	0 = 420
2009: 35,825	Calculated Apportionment	5,941	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-1 = 5,940
	2014 Apportionment:	6,096	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-3%	