

September 29, 2014

Trinity United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
301 Fairbanks St
Joliet, IL 60432

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 # 10026	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$3,312	\$276
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,720	\$310
Strengthening the Connection:	\$696	\$58
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$7,728	\$644

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 Joliet: Trinity Church # 10026

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	24,215	
2013: 2,564	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 49,125	Sub-total	3,874	
2011: 35,041	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 35,041	Average Weekly Attendance	70	
2009: 35,041	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	(22,005)	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	-1,066	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	2,809	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) +503 = 3,312
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	22,520	
2013: 22,600	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 37,930	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	3,153	+567 = 3,720
2011: 22,600			
2010: 22,360			
2009: 22,360			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	59,243	
2013: 25,164	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 110,060	Sub-total	592	
2011: 79,924	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 76,404	Connectional Apportionment	592	+104 = 696
2009: 76,160	Calculated Apportionment	6,554	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+1,174 = 7,740
	2014 Apportionment:	9,444	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-18%	