

September 29, 2014

First United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
100 W Cossitt Ave
La Grange, IL 60525

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 # 30061	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$18,720	\$1,560
Mission & Evangelism:	\$40,428	\$3,369
Strengthening the Connection:	\$11,100	\$925
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$70,248	\$5,854

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 LaGrange: First Church # 30061

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> 2013: 113,792 2012: 113,952 2011: 123,361 2010: 136,132 2009: 135,719	Ave. Clergy Costs	117,035	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	18,726	
	Additional Calculation:		
	Average Weekly Attendance	247	
	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	2,111	
	Change to apportionment	+1	
Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment		18,727	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) -7 = 18,720
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 320,527 2012: 290,241 2011: 326,887 2010: 242,690 2009: 255,585	Ave. Church Operation Costs	288,784	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	40,430	-2 = 40,428
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 500,712 2012: 486,258 2011: 482,904 2010: 476,499 2009: 445,436	Ave. Grand Total Spending	481,887	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	4,819	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	6,277	
	Connectional Apportionment	11,096	+4 = 11,100
	Calculated Apportionment	70,252	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		-4 = 70,248
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	69,552 +1%	