

September 29, 2014

Grace United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
244 E. Center Ave.
Lake Bluff, IL 60044

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 # 50038	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$14,052	\$1,171
Mission & Evangelism:	\$23,892	\$1,991
Strengthening the Connection:	\$5,028	\$419
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$42,972	\$3,581

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 Lake Bluff: Grace Church # 50038

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: 76,149 2012: 87,877 2011: 98,500 2010: 104,975 2009: 94,130	Ave. Clergy Costs	86,052	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	13,768	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	110 14,200 +286	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	14,055	-3 = 14,052
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 197,161 2012: 186,897 2011: 173,975 2010: 151,007 2009: 125,568	Ave. Church Operation Costs	170,626	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	23,888	+4 = 23,892
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 309,202 2012: 300,578 2011: 304,124 2010: 308,067 2009: 233,557	Ave. Grand Total Spending	304,257	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	3,043	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	1,983	
	Connectional Apportionment	5,025	+3 = 5,028
	Calculated Apportionment	42,968	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+4 = 42,972
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	42,432 +1%	