Church of the Good Shepherd Attn: Finance Committee P.O. Box 695 Oswego, IL 60543

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 # 10047	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$13,776	\$1,148
Mission & Evangelism:	\$18,276	\$1,523
Strengthening the Connection:	\$3,504	\$292
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$35,556	\$2,963

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,

Apportionments Administrator, Northern Illinois Conference

Merrie Bunt

2015 Apportionment Calculation for Oswego: Good Shepherd Church # 10047

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			
5 year data set	Ave. Clergy Costs	86,773	
2013: 80,067	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2013: 80,007	Sub-total	13,884	
2012: 78,087	Additional Calculation:	13,004	
2011: 89,023	Average Weekly Attendance	202	Final
2010: 90,027	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	202	Considerations:
2003. 31,217	similar sized churches	(10,301)	(Round to 12 and
	Change to apportionment	-109	9% max increase
	Change to apportionment	103	or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	13,774	+2 = 13,776
Mission & Evangelism			
Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	130,573	
2013: 123,031	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 116,294	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	18,280	-4 = 18,276
2011: 127,504			,
2010: 157,366			
2009: 141,184			
Strengthening the			
Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	247,724	
2013: 246,237	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 236,148	Sub-total	2,477	
2011: 251,793	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	1,024	
2010: 293,799	Connectional Apportionment	3,501	+3 = 3,504
2009: 245,143	Calculated Apportionment	35,556	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		0 = 35,556
	2014 Apportionment:	34,188	-
	Increase/Decrease of:	+4%	