

October 4, 2013

First United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
100 W Jefferson
Ottawa, IL 61350-5080

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 2014.

Your 2014 Apportionment Summary

Church # 40048	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$7,404	\$617
Mission & Evangelism:	\$10,284	\$857
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,548	\$129
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$19,236	\$1,603

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. Please refer to the enclosed resource guide and for more information visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php 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

2014 Apportionment Calculation for Ottawa: First Church # 40048

Please refer to the following page titled "About the 2014 Apportionment" for an explanation of the Apportionment formula.

Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	51,781	
2012: 55,716	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 52,993	Sub-total	8,285	
2010: 53,480	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 48,871	Average Weekly Attendance	112	
2008: 41,055	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	(20,624) -877	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	7,408	-4 = 7,404
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	73,464	
2012: 69,264	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 77,373	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	10,285	-1 = 10,284
2010: 89,025			
2009: 79,443			
2008: 73,755			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	133,276	
2012: 123,549	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 132,043	Sub-total	1,333	
2010: 144,235	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+218	
2009: 165,995	Connectional Apportionment	1,551	-3 = 1,548
2008: 119,494	Calculated Apportionment	19,244	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-8 = 19,248
	2013 Apportionment:	20,556	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-6%	

Remember: We averaged the three middle years after discarding the highest and lowest years.

**When 2012 was the lowest year of the 5 year data set, we averaged the three lowest years.