

September 29, 2014

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

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 # 40048	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$7,476	\$623
Mission & Evangelism:	\$11,088	\$924
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,632	\$136
<b>Total 2015 Apportionment:</b>	<b>\$20,196</b>	<b>\$1,683</b>

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/](http://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 Ottawa: First Church # 40048

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.

<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 50,047 2012: 48,716 2011: 41,193 2010: 42,280 2009: 51,854	Ave. Clergy Costs	47,014	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	7,522	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	110 (7,414) -41	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>	7,482	<b>-6 = 7,476</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 71,377 2012: 69,264 2011: 77,373 2010: 89,025 2009: 98,959	Ave. Church Operation Costs	79,258	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>	11,096	<b>-8 = 11,088</b>
<b>Strengthening the Connection Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 142,751 2012: 139,316 2011: 147,643 2010: 158,027 2009: 160,478	Ave. Grand Total Spending	149,474	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	1,495	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	141	
	<b>Connectional Apportionment</b>	1,636	<b>-4 = 1,632</b>
	Calculated Apportionment	20,214	
	<b>Total 2015 Apportionment</b>		<b>-18 = 20,208</b>
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	19,248 +5%	