

October 4, 2013

Poplar Grove United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
PO Box 217
Poplar Grove, IL 61065-0217

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 # 60042	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$5,520	\$460
Mission & Evangelism:	\$21,840	\$1,820
Strengthening the Connection:	\$4,320	\$360
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$31,680	\$2,640

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 Poplar Grove Church # 60042

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	68,543	
2012: 78,594	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 78,200	Sub-total	10,967	
2010: 70,497	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 44,128	Average Weekly Attendance	223	
2008: 56,933	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(37,914)	
	Change to apportionment	-5,450	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	5,517	+3 = 5,520
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	155,991	
2012: 188,817	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 173,442	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	21,839	+1 = 21,840
2010: 156,079			
2009: 126,781			
2008: 138,453			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	238,623	
2012: 292,477	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 269,948	Sub-total	2,386	
2010: 234,109	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+1,939	
2009: 211,812	Connectional Apportionment	4,325	-5 = 4,320
2008: 208,330	Calculated Apportionment	31,681	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		-1 = 31,680
	2013 Apportionment:	29,760	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+6%	

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