

October 4, 2013

River Forest United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
7970 Lake St
River Forest, IL 60305

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 # 20068	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$12,984	\$1,082
Mission & Evangelism:	\$9,216	\$768
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,872	\$156
Total 2014 Apportionment:	\$24,072	\$2,006

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 River Forest Church # 20068

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	72,242	
2012: 78,884	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 75,311	Sub-total	11,559	
2010: 75,506	Additional Calculation:		
2009: 65,908	Average Weekly Attendance	52	
2008: 62,141	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	24,255	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	+1,427	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	12,986	-2 = 12,984
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	65,783	
2012: 66,700	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 64,231	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	9,210	+6 = 9,216
2010: 68,504			
2009: 66,417			
2008: 60,165			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	143,039	
2012: 147,895	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 144,931	Sub-total	1,430	
2010: 136,291	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+445	
2009: 156,907	Connectional Apportionment	1,876	-4 = 1,872
2008: 129,133	Calculated Apportionment	24,072	
	Total 2014 Apportionment		0 = 24,072
	2013 Apportionment:	25,296	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-5%	

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