

September 29, 2014

Sheridan United Methodist Church
Attn: Finance Committee
P.O. Box 147
Sheridan, IL 60551

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 # 40062	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$5,556	\$463
Mission & Evangelism:	\$3,588	\$299
Strengthening the Connection:	\$732	\$61
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$9,876	\$823

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,

Merrie Bunt

Apportionments Administrator,
Northern Illinois Conference

2015 Apportionment Calculation for Sheridan Church # 40062

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			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs	34,676	
2013: 38,076	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2012: 36,672	Sub-total	5,548	
2011: 36,392	Additional Calculation:		
2010: 28,963	Average Weekly Attendance	33	
2009: 30,965	Pastoral Residual: above (below)	744	
	similar sized churches		
	Change to apportionment	0	
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	5,548	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease) +8 = 5,556
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs	25,589	
2013: 25,412	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2012: 26,080	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	3,582	+6 = 3,588
2011: 25,276			
2010: 21,059			
2009: 26,420			
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending	72,916	
2013: 76,910	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2012: 76,571	Sub-total	729	
2011: 74,956	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
2010: 67,222	Connectional Apportionment	729	+3 = 732
2009: 56,829	Calculated Apportionment	9,860	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+16 = 9,864
	2014 Apportionment:	9,504	
	Increase/Decrease of:	+4%	