

October 4, 2013

Trinity United Methodist Church  
Attn: Finance Committee  
205 E Tenth St  
Sterling, IL 61081-2400

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 # 40064	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$2,484	\$207
Mission & Evangelism:	\$7,764	\$647
Strengthening the Connection:	\$1,140	\$95
<b>Total 2014 Apportionment:</b>	<b>\$11,388</b>	<b>\$949</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. Please refer to the enclosed resource guide and for more information visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at [www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php](http://www.umcnic.org/apportionments.php) or contact me at [mbunt@umcnic.org](mailto: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 Sterling: Trinity Church # 40064

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

<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Clergy Costs**	28,632	
2012: 21,250	Calculation Rate	x16%	
2011: 29,252	Sub-total	4,581	
2010: 36,424	Additional Calculation:		Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
2009: 35,394	Average Weekly Attendance	42	
2008: 37,291	Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches	(29,760)	
	Change to apportionment	-2,636	
	<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>	1,945	+539 = <b>2,484</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Church Operation Costs**	43,496	
2012: 39,639	Calculation Rate	x14%	
2011: 44,071	<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>	6,089	+1,675 = <b>7,764</b>
2010: 46,776			
2009: 47,591			
2008: 49,733			
<b>Strengthening the Connection Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u>	Ave. Grand Total Spending**	87,500	
2012: 77,967	Calculation Rate	x1%	
2011: 88,367	Sub-total	875	
2010: 96,526	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	+22	
2009: 96,167	<b>Connectional Apportionment</b>	897	+243 = <b>1,140</b>
2008: 99,026	Calculated Apportionment	8,931	
	<b>Total 2014 Apportionment</b>		+2,457 = <b>11,388</b>
	2013 Apportionment:	12,516	
	Increase/Decrease of:	-9%	

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.