

September 29, 2014

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

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 # 40064	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$3,564	\$297
Mission & Evangelism:	\$5,880	\$490
Strengthening the Connection:	\$912	\$76
Total 2015 Apportionment:	\$10,356	\$863

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 Sterling: Trinity Church # 40064

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> 2013: 18,070 2012: 19,116 2011: 28,282 2010: 36,424 2009: 36,884	Ave. Clergy Costs	21,823	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	3,492	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	34 (12,271) -185	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment	3,307	+257 = 3,564
Mission & Evangelism Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 34,544 2012: 39,639 2011: 44,071 2010: 46,765 2009: 42,571	Ave. Church Operation Costs	38,918	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	Mission & Evangelism Apportionment	5,449	+431 = 5,880
Strengthening the Connection Apportionment			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 80,987 2012: 83,417 2011: 90,317 2010: 91,242 2009: 77,610	Ave. Grand Total Spending	84,907	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	849	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	0	
	Connectional Apportionment	849	+63 = 912
	Calculated Apportionment	9,604	
	Total 2015 Apportionment		+752 = 10,368
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	11,388 -9%	