

September 29, 2014

North Prairie United Methodist Church  
Attn: Finance Committee  
5000 West 9th Street  
Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096

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 # 50049	Annual Amount	Monthly Amount
Support for Ordained Leadership:	\$3,168	\$264
Mission & Evangelism:	\$1,920	\$160
Strengthening the Connection:	\$396	\$33
<b>Total 2015 Apportionment:</b>	<b>\$5,484</b>	<b>\$457</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. For more information, please visit the Northern Illinois Conference website at [www.umcnic.org/leadership-resources/apportionments/](http://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 Winthrop Harbor: North Prairie Church # 50049

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.

<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 50,768 2012: 45,852 2011: 42,691 2010: 36,169 2009: 33,767	Ave. Clergy Costs	41,570	
	Calculation Rate	x16%	
	Sub-total	6,651	
	Additional Calculation: Average Weekly Attendance Pastoral Residual: above (below) similar sized churches Change to apportionment	48 (3,131) -3	Final Considerations: (Round to 12 and 9% max increase or decrease)
	<b>Support for Ordained Leadership Apportionment</b>	6,648	-3,480 = <b>3,168</b>
<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 25,140 2012: 31,987 2011: 29,070 2010: 39,609 2009: 38,021	Ave. Church Operation Costs	28,732	
	Calculation Rate	x14%	
	<b>Mission &amp; Evangelism Apportionment</b>	4,023	-2,103 = <b>1,920</b>
<b>Strengthening the Connection Apportionment</b>			
<u>5 year data set</u> 2013: 80,991 2012: 86,131 2011: 82,731 2010: 81,281 2009: 68,407	Ave. Grand Total Spending	81,668	
	Calculation Rate	x1%	
	Sub-total	817	
	Additional Calculation (Budget Size)	3	
	<b>Connectional Apportionment</b>	820	-424 = <b>396</b>
	Calculated Apportionment	11,490	
	<b>Total 2015 Apportionment</b>		-6,006 = <b>5,472</b>
	2014 Apportionment: Increase/Decrease of:	5,028 +9%	