

## With Gratitude

Precious are sunrises and sunsets as they bathe our world in golden light.  
Precious are those who allow God's golden sunlight to shine through their hearts.  
Precious are you for your on-going financial commitment to the Penn West Conference.

This year the Penn West Conference is beginning a Gratitude List which will grow each time one of you remembers and celebrates the work of our conference with a gift.

We recognize that God has blessed us with grace, and out of our gratitude, we offer ourselves to serve, to give and to praise God's Holy Name.

No matter whether it is with time or money, we will celebrate you.

Should you choose to serve on a conference committee, thereby helping the conference to reach its goals to care for God's people in God's world, we will support your efforts.

No matter how you and your congregations define your commitment to Our Churches Wider Mission, we will celebrate your generous spirit.

### **You are as precious as gold to us.**

In 2016, 50 individuals became Faithful Stewards of the Penn West Conference by making an individual donation of \$100.00 or more directly to the Conference. In 2017, we would like to double that number.

In 2016, 84 congregations donated to Our Churches Wider Mission. These congregations are golden to us and to the national church. Thank you for your generosity in past years. In 2017, we hope to increase each church's giving by 10%. We can do it, and we will be happily responding to every church at the 2018 Annual Gathering and Meeting.

**Below are congregations who were generous to the Conference this past year.**

#### **Congratulations to our 24 Carat Supporters (\$15,000 and above)**

St. Paul's, Somerset  
Paradise Community, Reynoldsville

#### **Congratulations to our 22 Carat Supporters (\$7,000-\$14,999)**

Christ, Latrobe  
Stoystown Charge, Stoystown  
First, Millvale  
St. John's Harrold's, Greensburg  
St. Paul's, Pleasant Unity (Trauger)

### **Congratulations to our 18 Carat Supporters (\$2,000-\$6,999)**

Trinity, Berlin	Brush Creek-Salem, Irwin
Denmark Manor, Export	Zion's, Marklesburg
St. John's, Martinsburg	St. Paul's, Knox
Zion's Reformed, Greenville	Trinity, Bedford
Smithfield, Pittsburgh	St. John's, Evans City
First, Ebensburg	Trinity, McConnellstown
Unity Shanksville	St. Luke's, Luthersburg
Salem, Frostburg	St. Luke's, Kittanning
First-Trinity, Youngwood	Faith, Altoona
Trinity, Dorseyville	First, Irwin
St. John's, Larimer	Emmanuel Reformed, Export
Trinity, Greensburg	First, Hyndman
Emanuel, Warren	First, Apollo
St. John's, Salisbury	Mt. Troy, Pittsburgh
Grace, Claysburg	

### **Congratulations to our 14 Carat Supporters (\$1,000-\$1,999)**

Trinity, Grantsville MD	St. Peter's, Dubois
St. Peter's, Punxsutawney	St. Mark's, Fredonia
First, Harrison City	The Abbey Reformed, Huntingdon
Grace, Duquesne	Trinity, Troutville
St. Paul's, Chicora	Zion's, Transfer
Mt. Laurel, Boswell	Nevin Memorial, Fairmount City
First, Mt. Pleasant	First Reformed, Greensburg
Friends Cove, Bedford	St. John's, Darlington
St. Matthew's, Entriken	Jerusalem, Rimersburg
St. Peter's, Spring Garden	Grace, Altoona
Mt. Hope, Portage	Greenfield, Imler

### **Congratulations to our 10 Carat Supporters (\$1-\$999)**

St. Jacob's, South Bend	Calvary, Turtle Creek
St. Paul's, Imler	Third, Greensburg
Trinity, Scottdale	St. Paul's, Hermitage
Community United, Erie	Belknap, Dayton
Allegheny Open Arms, Pittsburgh	First, Manor
Grace, Jeannette	Mt. Zion, Meyersdale
St. Thomas, Shelocta (Gastown)	St. John's, Corriganville MD
Salem, Martinsburg	United Church, Schellsburg
Faith, Ridgway	Trinity, Delmont
Salem, Yatesboro	St. Paul's, Johnstown
Mt. Pleasant, Martinsburg	Zion, Frostburg MD
Trinity, Saxton	Amity Reformed, Meyersdale
Trinity, Roxbury	Salem, Lamartine

**OCWM is vital to the workings of our Conference.  
Please consider adding your congregation to our 2018 list of Golden Participants!**