



# *You're invited to celebrate . . .*

## **PW Gives Day—July 31**

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**July 31 will be celebrated as PW Gives Day—a day to celebrate the many ways that Presbyterian Women give to witness to the promise of God's realm.**

- Watch for (and share your!) stories about how, where and why PW gives on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- Send your #PWGives story and photos to [carissa.herold@pcusa.org](mailto:carissa.herold@pcusa.org).
- If you are not already on PW's email list, email [pw\\_pcusa@pcusa.org](mailto:pw_pcusa@pcusa.org) to be added to the list and receive information about this day (and other PW programs)!
- Pray for PW as we bring the light of God's love to a world in need of care and hope.



### **How to Give**

- Give online at [presbyterianwomen.org/give](https://presbyterianwomen.org/give). Then select **PW Gives Day** and your gift amount. Select a gift of \$10 or more (and add a bit extra for a transaction fee). Please scroll and type **PWGDAY22** in the comments box as well as your church and presbytery (or synod) information.
- Contact Carissa Herold by phone (844/PW-PCUSA, ext. 5322) or email [carissa.herold@pcusa.org](mailto:carissa.herold@pcusa.org).
- Mail your gift to Presbyterian Women Inc., PO Box 643652, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3652. Please indicate annual fund and **PWGDAY22** in the memo line of your check.





# PW's (Not So New) "Normal": *Giving in Love, Always*

PW Gives Day commemorates the founding of Presbyterian Women and the ongoing journey of PW—the community that is PW and each individual woman who is PW! Even during a global lockdown, PW found ways to connect and offer loving help.

In her *Horizons* magazine article, "Redefining Normal: A Brief History of Presbyterian Women Navigating Change," PW's executive director Susan Jackson Dowd reminds us that PW matters and will continue to matter. "Presbyterian Women pushed against what was considered normal during civil wars and world wars, military crises, flu pandemics, the Great Depression and more recent economic crises, civil rights marches and movements, September 11 and global terrorism—through the trials and triumphs of American history, then and as we continue to make it now. The mission of Presbyterian Women remains expansive and practical." **Read (and share!) Susan's important and encouraging article at [presbyterianwomen.org/redefiningnormal](https://presbyterianwomen.org/redefiningnormal).**

## PW matters . . .

### Personally

Sue Mummert serves on PW's board and credits her involvement with PW to her mom, Patricia "Pat" Kochenour. Sue says, "The strength of her faith was and continues to be an inspiration to me . . . Mom always had a welcoming and accepting spirit and her words of wisdom often helped others as they struggled with difficult situations that arose in life—she always seemed to know just what to say. She was supportive of Presbyterian Women and empowering women to become the best they could be."

### Locally

A lockdown didn't lockdown the good works performed by PW of Peoria Presbyterian Church in Peoria, Arizona. This faithful team rolled up their sleeves, put on their masks, and assembled backpacks for young people in need of school supplies in their church parking lot!

### Nationally

A \$26,800 Thank Offering grant helped three interlinked Decatur, Georgia, ministries provide garden plots for refugee families as well as training, education and even community. Program director Karen Webster shares that the gardens are "providing space for refugee families to grow foods from their culture, connect with the land and enjoy the outdoors. This is even more important during the pandemic when the growers have needed access to reliable sources of fresh, healthy food and safe outdoor activities for their families." Karen says that this ministry fulfills a promise to her mother that she "would carry on the work that she was no longer going to be able to do, providing hospitality and love to our neighbors."

### Internationally

PW cares about women and children. So much so, PW has been recognized by the United Nations as a nongovernmental organization (NGO). Each year, a delegation of committed Presbyterian Women attend the international gathering that is the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women and explore the issues facing women around the world.



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**In community and with love, PW Gives, Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow.**  
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