Dear Friend,

I’m writing in response to your recent notification that you intend to make a planned gift to Church Divinity School of the Pacific. Thank you in advance for this commitment to our mission of forming leaders for the Episcopal Church and beyond. Let me also say that we are excited to welcome you as new members of the Gibbs Society.

The George and Augusta Gibbs Society honors those who have remembered CDSP in their will, estate plan, or other planned gift. As a member of the Gibbs Society, your name will appear on the Wall of Honor in Denniston Refectory and in occasional CDSP print and online media. You will also be invited to special members-only events each year, a wonderful way to stay connected to the seminary and its ministries.

Your faithfulness is a story of hope. Now more than ever, the Church needs creative, faithful leaders to help our communities find sustainable paths to flourishing in their neighborhoods and other regional contexts. You have chosen to make the affordable education of future church leaders a part of your personal legacy of faith. We welcome and celebrate your partnership.

Please return the enclosed Gibbs Society membership confirmation form, which will inform us of how you would like the funds to be directed, as well as whether and how we can include your name in the Gibbs Society public roster. Our request that you designate your gift to a particular purpose is a new aspect of our Gibbs Society welcome process. We hope it allows you to reflect on the seminary’s mission and choose to support an aspect of this mission that is especially important to you.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Advancement department at advancement@cdsp.edu if you have any questions about the Gibbs Society or other aspects of our life and work together at CDSP.

Sincerely,

The Very Rev. W. Mark Richardson, PhD
President and Dean

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