



Pastor Sue's Message

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Every year, during the Wisconsin United Methodist Church Annual Conference, we have a special moment to honor those who have served in ministry for 25 years, 50 years, and more. It is one of those moments that reminds and rekindles my calling and love on ministry of Christ. As I celebrate my colleagues' faithful ministry, I can't help but count how many years I would have if I retire at 70, which is the mandatory age to retire. Yes, I plan to work until I have to retire! This year, the number would be 17 years, only 17 years!

I'm grateful that I'm starting the first year of my 17 years with the people of Mequon, and I look forward to witnessing what God will do through us. As I press the reset button at Mequon, it is my prayer that the people of Mequon and I will become a dynamic duo filled with the Holy Spirit to do the job God wants us to: to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the Kingdom of God.

Now, allow me to use a football terminology: Jesus is our quarterback and we are His team. What an honor and a privilege to be a part of his team in this side of eternity! In His team called Mequon United Methodist Church, everyone is called to "play" according to the ability that God has given him/her. It is my hope that we will score many touchdowns together for the glory of God. To score a touchdown, it is inevitable for us to fix our eyes on our quarterback, Jesus Christ, with full trust, love and obedience. As we fix our eyes on the Lord, let us renew our calling, roll up our sleeves, and do good works until we "retire" from this side of eternity.

"I planted the seed in your hearts, and Apollos watered it, but it was God who made it grow. It's not important who does the planting, or who does the watering. What's important is that God makes the seed grow. The one who plants and the one who waters work together with the same purpose. And both will be rewarded for their own hard work. For we are both God's workers. And you are God's field. You are God's building." (1 Corinthians 3:6-9)

In Christ,

Sue Lee