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After being away from MT for almost 20 years, I am still pondering the idea of getting a personalized license plate saying:  **MISS MT**!

In a decade of service and life within a congregation like Good Shepherd, I was so blessed with fun and capable colleagues and coworkers;

with amazing faith-filled parishioners who welcomed me with grace and gratitude and who nurtured me along in my pastoral role.

Being part of a creative team with Pastors Tom Peterman and Jay Rudi was stimulating, and yes, sometimes challenging!  Having Pastor Bob Quam

down the hall in the Christikon Office was also a plus!  Some special things come to mind:  on my 10th ordination anniversary the congregation

presented me with an entire set of chasubles (wow!)  which I was still using until the pandemic hit this year; the amazing privilege of volunteering with a team to bring greater wholeness for a precious autistic toddler (through intensive behavior modification training); Christikon early morning devotions on a dewy meadow;

serving on LSS Board of Directors for several years, also as President; having Ocee Johnson as a friend….and many other enriching relationships with female & male colleagues, children, elders, youth and countless beautiful people who love the LORD.

I am grateful for those years and those connections and will always have a place in my heart for my Montana friends and favorite places!

Just a note as to my current status:  (Sept 2020) I am full time pastor for a senior living community, The Landing at Williamsburg Village in Lincoln NE.  It is part of

ELCA affiliated Immanuel Communities, based in Omaha.  Our campus houses Independent, Assisted Living, Memory Support residents and has 2 skilled nursing residential homes as well.  The pandemic has submerged us into a different (yet creative) mode, and I am very blessed to have a great team of coworkers and fine

residents on this journey…together in Christ.

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