



# You Made a Difference

## NIC Pension Initiative



*"Difference Makers"*

## Rev. Raydeen Davis

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Rev. Raydeen Davis, the campus minister at ISU Wesley Foundation, played a strong role in my faith formation and in my call to ordained ministry. He regularly gave away ministry to others. He invited me to lead a small group, be a peer minister and lead parts of worship. In particular I was drawn to the sacrament of communion and served it nearly every week. In doing so, he allowed me to experience how fun and challenging ministry can be, but also what a privilege it is to walk with people on their journey of faith. In his later years, he told me that he believed putting the communion elements in the hands of many cultivated in several students a call to ordained ministry.

Raydeen taught me about inclusion and justice and the brokenness of the world. He showed me how the table that is set in the sacrament of Holy Communion casts a vision of God's dream for a more just and whole world. I can still see him holding up the bread, breaking it, and proclaiming, "in our brokenness we find wholeness." There was so much power in those few words. Thank you, Raydeen, for nurturing me as a disciple. Thank you for making a difference in my life.