

## Sr. Helen Huewe receives 2019 Matthew 25 Award

The Matthew 25 Award was established at DWC in 2001 to honor those in or connected to the area, who **minister in the spirit of the Gospel message** put forth in Matthew 25:35-36:

**“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.”**

On Nov. 20, the Divine Word College community gathered to celebrate a lifetime of service to the poor by honoring Sr. Helen Huewe, OSF as the 2019 recipient of the Matthew 25 Award.

Sadly, less than two months later, this dedicated and faithful servant died at the age of 84.

Sr. Helen spent much of her life working in healthcare. Most recently, her passion project was working with a community in Dubuque who have immigrated from the Marshall Islands in the Pacific Ocean. She was also involved with Crescent Community Health Center's



Fr. Tom Ascherman, SVD presenting the Matthew 25 Award to Sr. Helen Huewe, OSF

Pacific Islander Health Project, which provides assistance to the Marshallese people regarding their extensive health needs.

On the night of the Matthew 25 Award banquet, Sr. Helen's acceptance speech was not about her accomplishments or her future goals. She took that opportunity, as she often did, to share the story of her new friends from the Marshall Islands. She wanted to enlighten the public about their struggles and encourage everyone to reach out and help in their own way.

“Everybody has to do their little bit.” she said. “You can't do it all, so you do what you can.”

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