



The Communicator

“Words? Words!”

—Kay Bunch
Outreach Ministries Pastor

When have you said or written something to someone that made them cry, laugh, or gave comfort to them? When has someone said or written something to you that made you stop and think differently, helped you in some way, or encouraged you?

It is difficult for me to write, and it takes me a long time; however, sometimes it is necessary—so I do it. I recall the numerous times I have been blessed by the writings of others. My daughters wrote messages on my Mother’s Day cards this year that made me feel warm, loved, and brought tears to my eyes. I will keep those cards, along with many others from friends throughout the years, so I can re-read them and re-live wonderful memories of time spent with them. Written cards that I have kept also cheer me up and give me confidence on days when I need it. The same card has gone back and forth between my college roommate and me for at least eight years—it makes me laugh when I receive it and reminds me of our friendship through the years.

Words are important in two avenues in Community of Christ that come to mind immediately—the evangelist’s blessing and the Doctrine and Covenants. We believe that God speaks to us today, and having these words

written down are important to us and sometimes challenging. Sometimes God speaks to us individually with words or feelings of presence and comfort. Sometimes God speaks to us through others.

I can recall so many times when words spoken have warned me, taught me, comforted me, and even made me laugh. When our second daughter was born, a friend called me instead



of sending flowers so we could talk and share the moment together—so special! When we left Steamboat Springs after spending Mother’s Day with Amy’s family, Arthur (who is four) said, “Mommy, when your parents leave today, do you feel sad? I feel sad when my grandparents leave.” Some words tug at your heart and remind you to count your blessings.

I am sure all of you have experiences with words written and spoken that have crafted your life, delighted you, lifted you up, given you confidence, and so much more. One of the reasons I joined the American Association of University Women is because they have a “Hands and Words Are Not for Hurting” project I wanted to participate in for four-year-olds that teaches and encourages them to use their words in ways that do not hurt others. This program was introduced to the four-year-olds, and some of the schools have extended it to older grades in Red Feather, Wellington, and Stove Prairie. The children learn a pledge that

emphasizes to them that they can make a difference in stopping physical and verbal abuse. There are many activities where they can work together and are encouraged to be kind to each other. Each person can make a difference in stopping abuse and violence. We all know how much words can hurt.

Let's use our words to encourage and empower others. Who needs the words you will speak or write today or tomorrow? Don't wait—just do it.



Musical Instrument Update

By Tom Beck for the Organ Committee

Our new Yamaha Grand Piano and Roland C-200 Classic Organ have arrived and are already enhancing our musical experience. If you haven't heard them yet, you are missing a great addition to our worship.



Thanks to all who have made this possible. We still need to add lights and an adjustable seat for the piano.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

—Psalm 66:1-2

Summer Schedule

Church school classes for both children and adults, except for the "Preparation for Baptism" class, have ended for the year. They will resume on September 9.

The **new time** for our worship service will begin on June 10. Prelude will begin at 9:45 and the service will conclude at 11:00 a.m. We will resume our normal worship schedule on September 9.



Congregation Picnic!

Sunday, July 15, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

City Park Shelter, #7

Hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and homemade ice cream for dessert is provided. Bring a salad or a side dish to share and any lawn games you might like to play. Entertainment is scheduled, and you might want to include some of the activities in City Park earlier in your day. Don't forget the bug spray and sunscreen.

Be sure to invite your family and friends to join us in the fun!



Sacrament of Administration

Brian Entwistle is now our coordinator for the sacrament of administration. Please contact him at (970) 310-0665 or entwistlebrianc@gmail.com if you have need for administration or to schedule it for someone else.



Communion Emblems Brought to You

If you are unable to attend a Communion service on the first Sunday of the month, and would like the sacrament brought to you, please contact either Bob Fulton, 484-6943, or Dave Simons, 282-0969. Every effort will be made to provide this ministry. Also, if you know of any member who would like the sacrament brought to them, let Bob or Dave know in advance, and one of them will get in touch with that individual so arrangements can be made.



I would like to thank the congregation for the lovely bouquet of flowers I received after my accident. I am healing nicely and doing fine now.
—Betty Jones

Financial Report



April Income

World Church

Use where needed most	\$1,930.00
Invite People to Christ	0.00
Abolish Poverty/End Suffering	343.00
Pursue Peace on Earth	80.00
Develop Disciples to Serve	0.00
Experience Congregations in Mission	0.00
Total	\$2,353.00

Local

Local Offering	\$3,010.50
Building Fund/Bazaar	75.00
Herald-in-Every-Home	53.50
2 Cents a Meal	66.00
Family Assistance	105.00
Layette Donations (CWU)	46.00
Pancake Breakfast	22.00
New Hymnals	250.00
Big Spruce Campground	10.00
Organ and Piano Fund	300.00
Total	\$ 3,938.00

—Betty Jones, CFO

June Birthdays



Scott Watkins	06/02
Oceana Alcoser	06/04
Kate Ytell	06/09
Don Struble	06/09
Katie Watkins	06/12
Cash Thomas	06/14
Gary Jones	06/17
Ben Swall-Yarrington	06/19
Matt Jackson	06/19
Bonnie Thomas	06/20
Les Cunningham	06/21
Wanda Florom	06/21
Marc McKenzie	06/26
Max Coopwood	06/29

(My apologies for missing the May birthdays.)

Speakers, Keyboard, Greeters, and Nursery



Speakers

- ❖ June 3: Ken White
- ❖ June 10: Dave Simons
- ❖ June 17: Sharon Troyer
- ❖ June 24: Brian Entwistle

Keyboard

- ❖ June 3: Sharon Troyer
- ❖ June 10: Sharon Fulton
- ❖ June 17: Tom Beck
- ❖ June 24: Dave Birks

Greeters

- ❖ June: Brian and Vera Entwistle
- ❖ June 10: Debbie Jones

Nursery

- ❖ June 3: Marilyn Garner
- ❖ June 10: Bettie Miller
- ❖ June 17: Marta Remmenga
- June 24: Pat and Bill Miner



Getting to Know You!

What do you know about the Outreach Pastor (Kay Bunch) and the Vision Ministries Pastor (Rick Bunch)?

Did you know that both Kay and Rick hold the priesthood office of evangelist and that Rick was first ordained a deacon at age 15 in Springfield, Missouri? Did you know that Kay's heritage in the church goes back to her grandmother, Anna Lund, who came from Sweden to live in the Traverse City, Michigan, area? Did you know that Rick can trace his heritage back to the Nauvoo era when two Bird brothers worked on the temple there and later migrated with Lyman Wight to Texas? Have you asked Rick about his Cherokee blood?

Why did they choose to live in Fort Collins?

When it came time to retire, they were considering either living at the beach or in the mountains. Having lived many of their married years in an academic atmosphere, they preferred to be in a college town. And Rick's many experiences backpacking and wilderness camping, as well as skiing, made Fort Collins a very likely place to settle. **They say that Fort Collins is their "line in the sand."**

What kinds of volunteer things do they do?

Rick, as a *master naturalist*, is involved in the city's Natural Areas. He also works as a naturalist in Lory State Park where he takes groups on hikes. He also enjoys expressing his musical talents in the Larimer Choral. Kay is the Hospitality Chair for AAUW and she volunteers for Catholic Charities. Both are members of the Interfaith Counsel—Rick is program chair and past vp.

What do they do for fun?

They have found Fort Collins to have a wealth of activities available—Kay does water aerobics

and belongs to a book club. Rick plays golf, and they both enjoy traveling and spoiling their grandchildren. They also take advantage of the magnificent Colorado scenery.

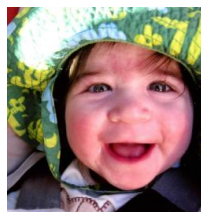
Where are their children?

They have two daughters: Kerby Bunch teaches pre-K students in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She also



teaches at Tulsa Tech Community College. (She adores the 4-year-olds!) Amy Tirrone lives in Steamboat Springs where she owns "Tall Tulips Flower Shop." There are

two grandchildren in Steamboat Springs—Arthur who is four years old and Sofia Grace



who is eight months old. Thus, Rick and Kay have come to appreciate the trip through Poudre Canyon (Route 14). Kip (Amy's husband) has a landscaping business, so the

family is quite busy throughout the summer. A recent highlight from a trip to Steamboat Springs was the blessing of the two grandchildren. Did you know that Amy has been quite an adventurer: she was the fire chief in Lamoni, Iowa, a Colorado fire fighter, a raft guide, and a snow maker?

What do people want to know about their diverse life?

Rick and Kay have been many, many places and done many, many things. On their agenda for May 31 is a trip that will take them to Ireland, Denmark, Sweden, and Norway to celebrate Kay's 70th birthday and their 50th wedding anniversary. That will make 47 countries and six continents that Rick has visited! In Sweden they have plans to reunite with some of Kay's relatives living there.

Some special memories from their travels are:

Riding camels in central Australia;
establishing the first African youth camps in
Zambia and in Kenya;
going on safari on the Masai Mara in Kenya,
East Africa;
cruising the Mediterranean;
spending a Graceland Winter Term in
Bulgaria with John Menzies;
(They were there the day before
communism was voted out of the
constitution!)

attending a youth camp in Russia;
visiting Machu Picchu in Peru ;
holding the red-eyed, tiny tree frog in Costa
Rica; and
the lasting impression that living two years
in Tahiti made on the whole family.

As a “Graceland couple” Rick and Kay were married in 1962 [that’s right 2012-1962 = 50 years] after attending Graceland. Rick graduated with the first four-year class in education, and Kay studied elementary education for two years. Rick began his teaching career in Belle Plaine, Iowa, where he taught biology and physical education besides coaching football, basketball, baseball, and track. Then they both went back to school at Indiana University where Kay received her bachelor’s degree in education and Rick took his master’s degree in recreation and his doctorate in parks management. Their next home was Oak Park, Illinois, where Kay began her teaching career by teaching first and second grade for three years. Their daughter, Kerby, was born in Oak Park. Rick was assistant director and director of parks and recreation for the city. Then they moved to Macomb, Illinois, where Kay went on to get a master’s degree in education with an emphasis in reading from Western Illinois University. Amy was born in Macomb. Rick was serving on the faculty of Western Illinois University in the Recreation and Parks Administration Department, chairing the department for nine years. During this time

Rick was very active in resource management consortia in several state universities.

Despite some very attractive offers, they turned their attention to church appointment in 1979, undergoing a year of training before accepting the position as campus minister at Graceland College. [It’s interesting that Graceland friends, Dave and Voni Simon, were going under appointment at about the same time.]

During the 1980s Rick had what he considered his very best job—Graceland Campus Minister. In order to have a closer involvement with the students, Rick worked as assistant coach for football and baseball and coached the swim team. He taught a parks and recreation course and sang in several musicals. He was instrumental in getting Chapel Choir re-established. While they were in Lamoni, Kay created the Talented and Gifted Program for grades 2 thru 6. **Ask them for some of their Graceland stories!**

Then being church appointees, they went where they were assigned—Sioux City, Iowa which might be considered a “hardship” area. On to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where Rick was appointed stake president and Kay taught third grade for a year in a private school as well as teaching GED classes and basic reading skills to adults. Their final assignment was for 12 years in Washington, D.C., where Rick was mission center president. Kay says these were her very favorite jobs—second grade pull-out reading teacher in St. Patrick’s Episcopal School and at The Lab School of Washington’s Adult Night School. teaching learning-disabled adults basic reading skills. She also tutored adults and children privately.

—Beverly Doig, reporter

Oneness in Christ means we simply refuse to label people and assign worth and opportunities for ministry accordingly. To do so is to return to the old world we publically stated we had left behind when we were baptized and confirmed.

—Steve Veazey

June Calendar



Check the website

<http://cofchstrm.org/FortCollins>

- June 3: Last day for "Preparation for Baptism Class"
Communion
First-Sunday Giving
First-Sunday potluck
- June 6: Upper Room, 9:30 a.m.
Senior Meal Site, 11:45 a.m.
Worship coordinators meeting, 10:45 a.m.
Pastors meeting, noon
- June 10: Two-Cents-A-Meal
- June 11: WEAVERS, 4:00 p.m.
PFLAG, 7:00 p.m.
- June 13: Upper Room, 9:30 a.m.
Senior Meal Site, 11:45 a.m.
- June 17: Communicator items due
- June 20: Upper Room, 9:30 a.m.
Senior Meal Site, 11:45 a.m.
NO Leadership Council
- June 27: Upper Room, 9:30 a.m.
Senior Meal Site, 11:45 a.m.



Names in the News

- ✚ **Kate Ytell** was in the *Coloradoan* announcing her signing with Graceland University to compete in soccer.
- ✚ **Blessing of Hawkins May Garner.**



Fort Collins Congregation Offerings 2012

Disciples' Generous Response

Month	Total World	Total Local	Total Giving
January	1,890.00	3,119.50	5,009.50
February	1,803.50	3,035.00	4,838.50
March	2,278.00	21,746.00	24,024.00
April	2,353.00	3,938.00	6,291.00
May			
June			
July			
August			
September			
October			
November			
December			
TOTALS	\$ 8,324.50	\$ 31,838.50	\$ 40,163.00



Directory Updates

Carnie and Sarah Fulton

1152 Emerson St., #1
Denver, CO 80218
(303) 269-1909

Betty Axelsen

Sterling House
1002 Rule Dr., Apt. 205
Fort Collins, CO 80525
(970) 229-9777, (Facility number)
(970) 691-6263, (Daughter-in-law Sandie Axelsen's cell phone)
Sterling House is located on Rule Dr., the second street to the right off Lemay south of Harmony.

Jeanne Graybill

Parkwood Estates
2201 S. Lemay Ave., Apt. 250
Fort Collins, CO 80525
(970) 482-2281



Invite People to Christ

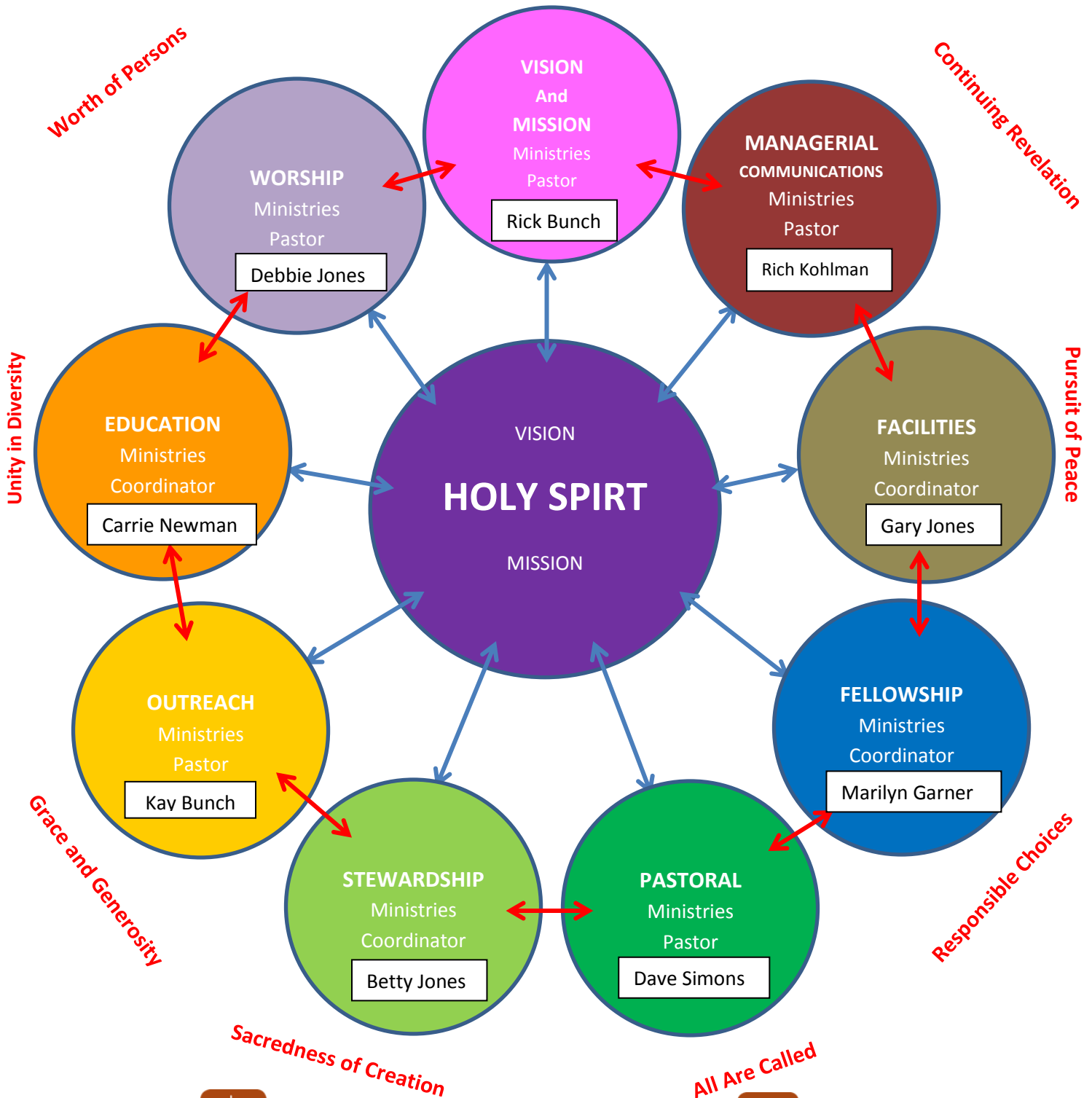


Pursue Peace on Earth



Experience Congregations in Mission

Blessings of Community



Develop Disciples to Serve



Abolish Poverty, End Suffering