

# COMMUNITY

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 2014



**CUCC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Weekend Extravaganza is just around the corner. Please save the weekend of August 23-24 on your calendar. There is a lot going on, and you don't want to miss a thing!**

On **Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, we will have a "family reunion" of CUCC'ers, old and new. A fellowship time will begin at 9:30 am with a light brunch. At 10:15 am, we will move into the Sanctuary to converse with two important people in the CUCC history and the UCC-Boulder history, Rev. Kayrene Pearson and Rev. Bruce MacKenzie. "Reflecting on 50 Years: Casual Conversations with Kayrene Pearson and Bruce MacKenzie."



Kayrene arrived in Boulder in 1961 to be Christian Education Director at First Congregational Church and was ordained in November of the same year, a pioneer of women in the ministry. She came to CUCC as an interim in 1988 to a dwindling membership. She retired (with husband Ivar) in 1995, passing on a vibrant church community, which continues today.

Rev. Bruce MacKenzie served as pastor of First Congregational Church for 27 years. He also served as Interim Pastor at CUCC for 9 months (1979-1980) while still serving First Congregational Church. Kayrene wrote that "he flew his robes" between the communities.



On **Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**, the celebration continues.

A potluck brunch will begin at 8:30 am with volunteers providing finger foods. The 10:00 am service will feature former pastor, Rev. Phil Campbell, in the pulpit. Phil was pastor from 1982-1986 and officiated several weddings of current members. During his tenure, the church participated in the 1985 Rocky Flats protest, sold the land across the creek to pay the mortgage, and changed the name of the church from Southern Hills United Church (SHUC) to Community United Church of Christ (CUCC). Phil and his wife, Theresa, currently serve UCC/Methodist church in Juneau, Alaska. He still is involved at Iliff School of Theology in Denver.

Immediately following the service, the congregation will file out to a designated location for an all-church photo by Kirsten Boyer, a member of our community who has donated her services in honor of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The youth will then bury a time capsule, after which there will be coffee, tea, and cupcakes.

Alert: The USA Pro Challenge bicycle race will cause the closure of Broadway from Pearl Street south of town from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm.

# Pastor Rick Danielson's Letter

Hello, members and friends of Community UCC!

As I write this, Leroy and I have just crossed into Indiana on our way to Boulder! My laptop is actually on my lap as I type and Leroy drives. After months of preparation, it is finally time to begin a new phase of life and ministry in beautiful Colorado!

*“You shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing.” **Isaiah 55: 12***

The Lectionary reading from Isaiah 55 this past Sunday jumped right off the page at me. I truly feel as though I am “going out with joy and being led forth with peace.” Two days ago, I said good-bye to the church I have served for nine years in New York State. Yesterday, I shared lunch with staff members. It has been a bittersweet week, but joy and peace certainly described how I felt when our little car hit the road early this morning. I feel great joy at the prospect of sharing in ministry with you in Boulder, and I am filled with a deep sense of peace as we head west. Right now, all I see are flat stretches of farmland. In forty-eight hours, though, I expect “the mountains and (foot)hills to break into singing” before us! I still remember the awesome sight of the mountains at sunset when I arrived in Boulder for my first visit in March.

On Friday morning of this week, Leroy and I will close on the purchase of a condo off of Baseline Road. We are very grateful to have found a home right in Boulder, just a few miles from the church. We will settle in a bit and start exploring the city and the nearby mountains prior to the start of my work at CUCC on August 1.

Thank you for your patience as I memorize names and learn about the ministries of CUCC! I will be asking lots of questions; thank you sincerely for your help as I become acquainted with this new ministry setting.

I look forward to getting to know each of you. I welcome any opportunities to meet for coffee (though I don't actually drink it!) or visit at your home. Please let me know about important things happening in your life, especially medical concerns. Pastoral care is a priority, so please let me know about hospitalizations by calling the church office. Once I have a local phone number of my own, I will be sure it is available so you can contact me directly.

On August 24, we will celebrate CUCC's fifty years of ministry. Immediately after (on August 25), Leroy and I will fly back to NY to make final preparations for our August 31 wedding. I will return to Boulder on Wednesday, Sept. 3. Leroy and I are excited about our legal marriage after nine+ years together. We anticipate that our marriage will be fully recognized by Colorado in the near future! If you plan to be near the Finger Lakes region of Central New York State in late August, please consider yourself invited to our celebration. Just let us know by August 10 and we'll add you to the wedding list!

Thank your for inviting me to come to Boulder to be your pastor. I am deeply honored and am thrilled about all that is ahead. CUCC is an amazing church, and I look forward to being part of the family. See you soon in Boulder!

*Blessings and peace –  
Rick*

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## 2014 Coordinating Council:

### *Council Officers:*

**Moderator:** Cathy Hazouri  
**Narrator:** Karen Ramirez  
**Treasure:** Kamilla Macar  
**Scribe:** Judi Kleinman  
**Financial Secretary:** Heather Bowler

### *Commissions:*

**Spiritual Life:** Heather Bowler  
**Fellowship:** Lee Berg  
**Social Action:** Sue Levy  
**Christian Education:** Vicky Graham  
**Property:** Tom Corrigan & Al Ramirez

# Christian Education

## Summer Session, 2014

**Ages 0-4:** Come check out our cool space tent and shelves of toys, books and puzzles. Children can also choose to color or make fun shapes out of playdough.

**Ages 4+:** Children begin their morning with free-play, either inside with books, puzzles, blocks and games, or outside playing on the playground.

They will gather together at 10:30 for Weekly Sacred Time followed by a values based picture book and coordinating craft before joining the adults in the sanctuary for the end of service.

**Runner:** An adult volunteer Runner is on hand to meet and greet our children and visitors with a smile and to ensure the teachers and classrooms are a safe, fun environment.

***Our Progressive Christian Education Director, Karen Kent-Pyle, will be back the week of August 11th, preparing for the Welcome Back to Sunday School scheduled for September 7th.***



## Commissions and Committees

### ***Community Compassion Corp—Planning Work Projects for CUCC Congregants!***

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at a member's home. Please Join Us!



#### **The Stuffraiser is Here!**

The CUCC *Stuff Raiser* runs through Sunday, September 7. We are collecting needed items for Boulder's Attention Homes, a center committed to providing services to homeless and temporarily displaced teens. The items that are needed are posted in the church's fellowship hall. You don't necessarily have to buy new items; some things they need you may

already have at home. **Thank you for supporting the Social Action Committee's efforts!**

#### **CUCC Women's Evening, Wednesday September 10, 7 pm**

Social Action and CCC invite you to join with other CUCC women on Wednesday, September 10 to assemble the bags of toiletries for Attention Homes gathered during the Stuff Raiser. It should be an evening of good work along with good company.

#### **Alternative Gift Market - Saturday November 15th**

The gift market will be earlier this year, so we need to get started on the planning process. This year we will honor our Social Action theme of addressing women's issues, particularly human trafficking. If you have ideas of organizations to support or new artisans to feature, please let us know. If you would like to be involved in the planning or would like to sponsor a table, please **come to the Social Action meeting after church on Sunday, August 10th or contact Laura Terpenning** (laura.terpenningmd@gmail.com). Everyone, please mark your calendars to **come shop on Saturday November 15th!**

#### **Save the Date: Movie Night, Wednesday September 3, 7 pm**

#### **Come and Join Us to See the Movie *GIRL RISING* (PG13)**

As we focus on the good work of Attention Homes in Boulder during the Stuff Raiser, CCC invites you to a showing of the movie *Girl Rising*. This movie is a beautiful and poignant portrayal of the journeys of nine girls from around the world who escape their lives of sex trafficking, abuse, childhood marriage, poverty. Each has a different story, but each is able through their own strength and courage and with the help of others to break away and get an education. The movie captures their dreams, their voices, and their incredible stories and reminds us of the plight of many girls around the world, including the US. All are welcome, so please invite your friends and neighbors.

**Suggested Donation:** *One or more toiletry items for the Stuff Raiser, either travel or regular size.*

*Garden and Weeding Fest, July 15*



# Commissions and Committees

## *Community Prayers*

### **Confined to Home**

Earl Beaty (husband of Velma Beaty)  
Ed Brown (husband of Shirley Brown)

### **Prayers of Healing & Support for**

Tom Silva, who is healing from collarbone surgery  
Gwen Goodwin and Marie Sutherland, who are living with multiple health issues  
Susan Dunn Lewis

### **Prayers for Sympathy for**

Janet Salmons, upon the death of her mother  
Julie Kies, upon the death of her father

Our prayers are sent out to family and friends who are experiencing illness and other life-crises.

**We Pray For Peace** in our hearts, our homes, our community, our nation, and the world.

## *Celebrations For Our New Pastor*

As most know, Rev. Rick Danielson will preach his first sermon as CUCC's pastor on Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be cake as we welcome him and his partner, Leroy, to our congregation.

Rick will be installed formally as our pastor on **October 26<sup>th</sup>** here at CUCC. Why so much later? There is a process in the UCC Church that takes some time.

Rick and CUCC representatives will attend a meeting of the Metro Denver Association of the UCC on Saturday morning, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am. Rick will answer questions presented by the Church and Ministry committee as a way to get acquainted. At the close of the interview, the Church and Ministry committee will take a formal vote on receiving his ministerial standing papers from New York. Assuming the vote is positive (and I have every reason to believe it will be), final approval will be given for an Installation Service.

**The service will be held at CUCC on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm followed by a fellowship time.** That date and time were agreed upon so that people from the Conference and pastors from other churches can attend. We want many people to attend and celebrate with us the installation of our new pastor.

**Please save this date on your fall calendar.** We can now begin our planning for this important event. We look forward to a full house of church members and regional UCC representatives.

~ Cathy Hazouri  
Moderator

*Saying Farewell to Rev. Jane Anne Ferguson*



*Five CUCC Pastors*



# August 2014

Sun	Mo	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
August 31 <b>Sunflower Circle</b> 8:30 am Taizé Service 10 am Worship Service 11:30 Fellowship Hour					1 7 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am Meditation	2
3 <b>Carnation Circle</b> Pastor Rick's First Service 8:30 am Taizé Service 10 am Worship Service 11:30 Fellowship Hour	4	5	6 6:30 pm Finance Meeting— Tentative	7	8 7 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am Meditation	9
10 <b>Lupine Circle</b> 8:30 am Taizé Service 10 am Worship Service 11:30 Fellowship Hour 11:30 Social Action 6 pm Youth Group	11	12 5:30 pm Earth Action Team 7 pm CCC Committee	13	14 6 pm Coordinating Council Meeting	15 7 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am Meditation	16
17 <b>Meadowlark Circle</b> 8:30 am Taizé Service 10 am Worship Service 11:30 Fellowship Hour	18	19	20	21 7 pm Caring Ministry Meeting	22 7 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am Meditation	23 <b>50th            Anniversary            Extravaganza</b>
24 <b>Lavender &amp; Lily Circles</b> <b>50th Anniversary            Extravaganza</b> <i>NO Taizé Service</i> 10 am Worship Service 11:30 Fellowship Hour	25	26	27	28 6 pm Property 7 pm Spiritual Life & Fellowship	29 7 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am Meditation	30

**Save the Date:**  
**Oct 26: Pastor Rick's  
 Installation**

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### Deadlines

Announcements for bulletins and weekly emails should be sent to [office@cuccboulder.org](mailto:office@cuccboulder.org)

**The deadline for the weekly email announcements is 9am on Monday.**

The deadline for the bulletin and for the weekend email announcements is 9 am on Thursday.

**The deadline for The Echo is the 24th of each month.**

Sermons can be found on our Church Website and in the weekly electronic announcements.

### Youth Group News

We continue to meet in the summer on the second Sunday of the month from 6–8pm. Next meeting is scheduled for **August 10th** to plan for making a time capsule for CUCC's 50th Anniversary Celebration August 23–24th Weekend.

### Friday Mornings at CUCC

**Men's Breakfast from 7-8:30 am:** This is open to all men, and is a simple breakfast (coffee & bagels) with time for sharing and discussion. Low key and informal, the goal is to build fellowship and friendship among the men of our congregation. Guests and members are welcome as well! Questions? Contact Bill Marine: 303-818-2776.

**Contemplative Prayer at 9:30 am:** A Contemplative Prayer group meets every Friday at 9:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. We begin by reading a brief passage from a poem or an essay offering spiritual insight. Then we sit in silence for twenty to thirty minutes. After contemplation participants are free to depart. Some choose to remain to exchange thoughts and inspirations that follow upon the reading.