



# “Finding Serenity in the Chaos of Life”



**A 24-Hour Spiritual Vitality Retreat for Women**

*August 18th & 19th, 2006*

*First Christian Church, 1345 Potomac Ave., Hagerstown, MD 21742*

**Retreat Leader . . .**

**KAY BESSLER-NORTHCUTT**



- ◆ B.M., Northwestern University, 1979
- ◆ M.M., University of Oklahoma, 1982
- ◆ M. Div., University of Chicago, 1989
- ◆ D. Min. Candidate, Aquinas Institute

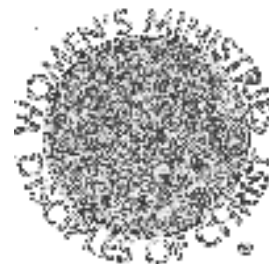
Kay Bessler-Northcutt, pianist, writer and pray-er, is a nationally sought after preacher and retreat leader devoted to the work of spiritual formation in congregations and their pastors. Instructor of Preaching at Phillips Theological Seminary, Kay completed two performance degrees in piano (B.M., M.M.) before relenting to a call to ministry first glimpsed at church camp when she was nine years old.

After receiving her Master of Divinity degree from the University of Chicago, Kay pastored congregations in Texas and Oklahoma and has served on the Administrative Committee and General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Kay is the recipient of three Associated Church Press writing awards. Her book, Praying by Heart, was released by Pilgrim Press in 1999. She has collaborated in the writing of several books including, Setting the Table; Women in Theological Conversation, (Chalice Press), Way to Live; Christian Practices for Teens, (Upper Room Books), and Celebrating Covenant, (Chalice Press). Kay is a former columnist for the *Disciple* magazine and contributing editor for *Second Opinion*.

Noted as one of the “favorite living Disciple preachers” Kay has served as worship leader, liturgist and preacher for recent national assemblies for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

She is married to theologian, Joseph Bessler-Northcutt. They attend the Community of Hope (United Church of Christ) and are devoted to their five goddaughters.



*The Women’s Ministries program at First Christian Church and the Christian Church Capital Area Women’s Ministries cordially invite you to participate in this uplifting and revitalizing event for women.*

*All ladies are encouraged to attend this very special two day life changing event. The program will begin on Friday evening and conclude on Saturday afternoon.*

**Registration Fee :** \$35  
(Housing Additional—See Form for rates)

**Registration includes:**

- ◆ Three Meals  
(Friday evening dinner, Saturday morning breakfast and luncheon).
- ◆ All General and Small Group Sessions
- ◆ Spiral Event Notebook
- ◆ Canvas Tote Bag & More!

Registration forms included in this mailing. Please copy as needed.

**Registration Deadline is July 28, 2006**

## Retreat Program Schedule

### Friday, August 18, 2006

5:00 - 6:00 PM	Registration
6:00 - 7:00 PM	Dinner*
7:15 - 8:45 PM	Keynote Address

### Saturday, August 19, 2006

8:00 - 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast*
8:40 - 9:40 AM	Keynote Address
9:40 - 11:30 AM	Small Group Sessions
11:45 - 12:30 PM	Lunch* Break
12:45 - 1:30 PM	Guided Silence
1:45 - 2:30 PM	Summarization of Retreat
2:30 - 3:00 PM	Holy Communion Service

*Schedule times listed here are approximate and are guided by the retreat leader.*

*\* Denotes meals which are included in registration and provided at the church during the retreat.*

## DIRECTONS

### To Comfort Suites:

*Take I-70 to exit 32B, hotel is a short distance ahead on the left.*

### To First Christian Church from Comfort Suites Hotel:

*Travel West on the Dual Highway (Route 40) to Eastern Blvd. Turn Right onto Eastern Blvd and continue to Potomac Ave. Potomac will be the traffic signal after you pass the Hagerstown YMCA. Turn left onto Potomac Ave. First Christian Church is approximately 2 blocks ahead on your right.*

*All retreat participants are asked to bring a "New Revised" or "Revised Standard" Bible if possible.*

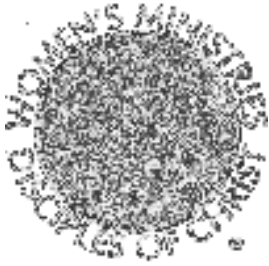


**Retreat Accommodations at Comfort Suites  
1801 Dual Highway, Hagerstown**

### *Hotel Amenities*

- ◆ Heated Indoor Pool
- ◆ Exercise Room
- ◆ Free Local Calls
- ◆ Business Center
- ◆ Cable TV/HBO
- ◆ In-room coffeemakers, hairdryers, and safes
- ◆ Elevators
- ◆ 24 hour front desk staff
- ◆ Wake-up calls
- ◆ Voice mail
- ◆ High-speed internet/data ports
- ◆ Air conditioning
- ◆ Free continental breakfast
- ◆ Iron & ironing board
- ◆ Indoor corridors
- ◆ Handicap rooms available
- ◆ Double Queen Rooms

*See Housing Registration form for all inclusive Housing/Retreat rates. Why not stay two nights and join us for Sunday Worship services? Kay Bessler-Northcutt will also be providing our Sunday morning message!*



**REGISTRATION/HOUSING REQUEST FORM**  
**24 Hour Spiritual Vitality Retreat**  
**“Finding Serenity in the Chaos of Life”**  
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*Fill out this form completely & mail with check (made payable to Women’s Ministries) or money order to :*

**Debra Swain**  
**13336 Little Antietam Road**  
**Hagerstown, MD 21742-9450**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail : \_\_\_\_\_

Your Church \_\_\_\_\_

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_ Check Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations    \_\_\_\_\_ Single (one night)    \_\_\_\_\_ Single (two nights)  
                          \_\_\_\_\_ Double (one night)    \_\_\_\_\_ Double (two nights)  
                          \_\_\_\_\_ Triple (one night)    \_\_\_\_\_ Triple (two nights)  
                          \_\_\_\_\_ Quad (one night)    \_\_\_\_\_ Quad (two nights)

**Housing & Registration Rates**  
 (Prices are per person)

**\$35.00 Retreat Registration Only**

Prices shown below are all inclusive - per person, per room including retreat registration/retreat meals as well as applicable hotel taxes.

**Single Occupancy**  
 One Night - \$115 / Two Nights - \$190.00

**Double Occupancy**  
 One Night - \$75 / Two Nights - \$115.00

**Triple Occupancy**  
 One Night - \$65 / Two Nights - \$95.00

**Quad**  
 One Night - \$58 / Two Nights - \$80.00

*State law requires that hotels know the names of all guests. Please make certain you register everyone in your party.*

Number of Guests	Number of Rooms	Name(s) of Guests in Room(s)	Arrival Date	Departure Date