



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

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Our Community Gathers
+ Exchange of Peace
+ Opening Hymn

Rev. Dwayne Johnson & Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

SLANE

Be Now My Vision



1 Be now my vi - sion, O God of my heart;
2 Be now my wis - dom, and be my true word;
3 Rich - es I need not, nor life's emp - ty praise,
4 Sov - ereign of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



noth - ing sur - pass - es the love you im - part—
ev - er with - in me, my soul is as - sured;
you, my in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav - en's Sun!



You my best thought, by day or by night,
Moth - er and Fa - ther, you are both to me,
You and you on - ly are first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, your pres - ence my light.
now and for - ev - er your child I will be.
great God, my trea - sure, may we nev - er part.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

We Worship

This Irish text brings the clear presence of God into harmony with the fervent prayer of the believer. Stanza 1 affirms the vision of God that becomes the guiding light in the hearts of God's people. Stanza 2 calls for God's knowledge and truth to give guidance. Stanza 3 affirms that one's relationship with God is treasure enough in this life, replacing any riches or empty praise of this earthly realm. Stanza 4 provides a fitting climax, claiming victory regardless of what may befall the believer. The tune is a traditional Irish air named for a hill, ten miles from Tara, in County Meath.

We Hear the Word

Adonai or Elohim are terms used in prayer in the Jewish tradition rather than speaking the name of God, out of reverence for the ineffable name of YHWH.

This translation is courtesy of *The Inclusive Hebrew Scriptures*, edited by Priests for Equality through the Inclusive Language Project, initiated in 1988. Their goal, "to translate the entire Bible into gender-inclusive language by July of 2001," is part of their larger mission, which is to "affirm efforts to use sexually balanced language and images in Church liturgy, publications, education and preaching." It is the understanding of this consortium of Christian ministers, lay leaders, scholars, educators and social activists that "language, in itself, can help educate us toward equality."

+ Call to Worship

Marty Williams

Psalm 19

- One: The heavens herald your glory, O God, and the skies display your handiwork!
- ALL: Day after day they tell their story, and night after night they reveal the depth of their understanding!**
- One: Without speech, without words, without even an audible voice, their cry echoes through all the world, and their message reaches the ends of the earth
- ALL: For in the heavens the sun has pitched a tent.**
- One: It comes forth with the grandeur of a wedding procession, with the eagerness of an athlete ready to race!
- ALL: It rises at one end of the sky and travels to the other end, and nothing escapes its warmth!**
- One: Your law, Adonai, is perfect; it refreshes the soul. Your rule is to be trusted; it gives wisdom to the naïve.
- ALL: Your purposes, O God, are right; they gladden the heart. Your command is clear; it gives light to the eyes.**
- One: Holding you in awe, Adonai, is purifying; it endures. Your decrees are steadfast, and all of them just.
- ALL: They are more precious than gold, than the purest of gold, and sweeter than honey, than honey fresh from the comb.**
- One: In them your faithful people find instruction; there is great reward in keeping them.
- ALL: But who can detect one's own failings? Forgive the misdeeds I don't even know about!**
- One: Keep your faithful one from presumption as well, so that my faults never control me. Then I will be blameless and innocent of a grave error.
- ALL: May the words of my mouth and the thoughts of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Adonai, my rock and my redeemer!**

Instrumental Invocation

HeavenSound Handbells

Spirit of the Living God

by Iverson/Alexander
Arranged by Douglas E. Wagner

Scripture Reading

Rodger Geisel (9 am)
Aaron Capps (11 am)

Exodus 20:1-8

Then God spoke all these words, and said: I am Your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Do not worship any gods except me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, yet showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make the wrongful use of the name of God, for God will not acquit anyone who utters God's name to misuse it. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Sung Response

**All: Word of God speak. Would you pour down like rain?
Washing my eyes to see your majesty.
To be still and know that you're in this place.
Please let me stay and rest in your holiness. Word of God speak.**

+ Scripture Reading

Rev. Mona Lopez

John 2:13-22

Since it was almost the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

In the Temple, he found people selling cattle, sheep and pigeons, while moneychangers sat at their counters. Making a whip out of cords, Jesus drove them all out of the Temple - even the cattle and sheep - and over-turned the tables of the moneychangers, scattering their coins. Then he faced the pigeon-sellers: "Take all this out of here! Stop turning God's house into a market!" The disciples remembered the words of scripture: "Zeal for your house consumes me."

The temple authorities intervened and said, "What sign can you show us to justify what you've done?"

Jesus answered, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." They retorted, "It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and you're going to raise it up in three days?" Yet the temple he was speaking of was his body. It was only after Jesus had been raised from the dead that the disciples remembered this statement and believed the scripture - and the words that Jesus had spoken.

Special Music

Gospel Ensemble

Order My Steps

Words & Music by Glenn Burleigh

Spiritual Encouragement

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Finding Our Way: Giving Up Illusions to Receive Greater Clarity

Making Ministry Happen

Terry Talley

Offertory

JustUs

Hallelujah to the Lamb of God

by Kathy Taylor-Brown

Communion

Denise Junious

Introduction to Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Invitation to the Feast

We Hear the Word

The commandments in Exodus, though directed at the individual person, are communal and indicate that one's personal behavior affects the community in profound ways. They resist the notion that we may have a privatized religiosity. During the Lenten season, when we are asked to reflect on our own sinfulness, as well as our gifts, we also are called by these commandments to consider that order has boundaries, is communal, and requires our individual agreement to keep covenant with God and each other.

~ Valarie Bridgeman
Davis, *New Proclamation Year B*,
2008-2009, 170-171.

We Receive

All congregations in MCC practice an open communion. We believe that communion is a visible sign of Christ's presence and God's grace that each one of us, friend or member, may receive. Simply come forward as the ushers direct.

During the Season of Lent, you will be invited to share a moment of silent invitation to the Presence of God followed by a simple blessing that God's Presence remain with you as you journey through this season.

We use grape juice for the cup. If you desire intercessory prayer, our Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry team is available following both services to pray with you.

We Sing

We sing as a body during the distribution of the elements. If you do not wish to sing, please be in an attitude of prayer for those who wish to meditate during this time.

Where two or more are gathered You are present. May you remain in God's presence this season.

In emptiness,
You fill us.
In silence,
You speak.
May you be open and listening this season.

Communion Songs

Word of God Speak

I'm finding myself at a loss for words and the funny thing is it's okay.
The last thing I need is to be heard but to hear what you would say.

Word of God speak. Would you pour down like rain?
Washing my eyes to see your majesty. To be still and know that You're in this place.
Please let me stay and rest in your holiness. Word of God speak.

I'm finding myself in the midst of you, beyond the music, beyond the noise.
All that I need is to be with you, and in the quiet hear your voice.

Word of God speak. Would you pour down like rain?
Washing my eyes to see your majesty. To be still and know that you're in this place.
Please let me stay and rest in your holiness.

Word of God speak. Would you pour down like rain?
Washing my eyes to see your majesty. To be still and know that you're in this place.
Please let me stay and rest in your holiness.

I'm finding myself at a loss for words and the funny thing is it's okay.

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Draw Me Close

Draw me close to you, never let me go,
I lay it all down again to hear you say that I'm your friend.
You are my desire, no one else will do,
'Cause nothing else could take your place; to feel the warmth of your embrace.
Help me find the way, bring me back to you.
You're all I want, you're all I've ever needed.
You're all I want - help me know you are near.

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Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you,
All of my days, I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love;
My Comfort, my Shelter, Tower of refuge and strength;
Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship you.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praises we bring,
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands, forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

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+ **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Denise Junious

+ **Benediction**

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Postlude

Joel Hammett

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Worship

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Children & Youth Worship, Sunday, 11:00 am

Nursery

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

The Chalice: Spiritual Deepening

Wednesday, 6:30 pm

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Welcome!

If you are attending Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church for the first time, we are glad to have you here! We invite you to join us each week as we worship God and learn more about Christian living in an inclusive way. All are welcome.

Make sure to visit the Concierge Desk, located in our Welcome Area, to receive a gift from us. You will find friendly volunteer hosts waiting to greet you.

Worship Services

Resurrection MCC is proud to offer a variety in our worship services. Our two Sunday services, at 9 & 11 am, are identical in form, however they contain different elements from diverse religious traditions each week.

A Special Welcome to our First-Time Families!

Our nursery staff would love to meet you and your infants & children aged 1-3 years! The nursery is located to the right of the Sanctuary entrance and is open during both the 9 am & 11 am services.

Children and youth aged 4-12 years are invited to join our Youth Ministries Program during the 11 am service in the Activities Building (located across the breezeway from our main parking lot). Sign-in begins at 10:45 am. All children must be registered and signed-in to attend. Parents are welcome to join the children for Communion at 12 noon in the Activities Building. Snack & sign-outs begin at 12:15 pm.

About Us...

Resurrection MCC is a Christian church with a primary outreach to the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer community. We are a part of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, founded by Rev. Troy D. Perry in Los Angeles, California on October 6, 1968. Metropolitan Community Churches are on a bold mission to transform hearts, lives, and history. We are a movement that faithfully proclaims God's inclusive love for all people, and proudly bears witness to the holy integration of spirituality and sexuality.

The **Mission** of Resurrection MCC is to demonstrate God's unconditional love to all people through Christian action.

The **Vision** of Resurrection MCC is to **ATTRACT** people into a relationship with God through radical **INCLUSION** into God's family, transform them to Christ-like **MATURITY**, and **MOBILIZE** them for their life purpose.

At Resurrection MCC, every member and friend is a minister of the church. We envision a Christian community that values diversity and is as diverse and all-encompassing as creation. Through salvation, service, study, and tithing, each member and friend will live and grow in faith and be spiritually fed. To that end, we embrace five core beliefs:

We believe in God's unconditional love for everyone.

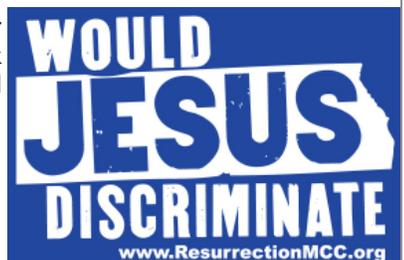
We believe in the saving grace of Jesus Christ and the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit.

We believe in including everyone and excluding no one.

We believe in joyfully providing access to Christ-centered spiritual nourishment and Biblical truths.

We believe that each of us will discover our spirituality through active participation in the work of God and in the pursuit of health, wholeness, and justice for everyone.

Again, welcome!



Free Cup With a Guarantee



If you've recently visited Resurrection MCC, perhaps you have received our famous Cobalt Blue Resurrection MCC cup. We've learned that many who have received this cup use it daily, as a prayer reminder.

From time to time, someone will say, "Hey, I love those cups! Resurrection wasn't giving those out when I first came." Well, this Sunday is

an opportunity to receive your free cup!

When we found out that people were using the cup as a prayer reminder, we thought, "What if the entire congregation did this together for the Season of Lent?"

Thus, you are invited to participate in *The Daily Cup*, Resurrection MCC's special opportunity to join together as community in the spiritual practices of prayer, worship, giving, service and sharing our stories.

Following services today, visit the Gathering Place. Prayerfully consider the Lenten Covenant (see column to right) for which your cup will serve as a daily reminder. If you accept this invitation, and receive your cup, then each day you will also receive *The Daily Cup* email that will include a scripture, a prayer, and great ideas for living and sharing your faith.

This free cup comes with a "better than money-back" guarantee! If your life is not touched through the daily practice of your Lenten Covenant, we'll buy back your free cup for \$5 after Easter Sunday!

Yes, this is a different approach to Lent. Many have grown up with the concept of "giving up" something for Lent. This year, how about "receiving" something instead...like the Resurrection cup, and the daily blessing that comes through your own special "blend" of spiritual practices?



THE DAILY CUP

A Lenten Covenant for Living from Fullness through Lent

Fill your cup with...

PRAYER

Ideas include yet are not limited to an attentive walk, listening to music, journaling, or a prayerful reading of a favorite scripture.

WORSHIP

Throughout Lent, offer your faithful presence for worship on Sundays and/or at The Chalice on Wednesdays.

GIVING

Listen to how God will invite your generosity. One approach is to take a breath, become calm, and simply pray, "God, how are you inviting me to give?" Then await the answer. Though God may stretch you, God will not ask you to give more than you are able. If each of us follows this invitation, those who are able will be able to give more. Others may offer smaller, yet fruitful seeds. Giving through General Tithes and Offerings, the Imagine Campaign, Online Giving, or Benevolence will impact lives each day.

SERVICE

Ideas include yet are not limited to volunteering for a ministry such as Children and Youth, reaching out to someone who could use encouragement, or sharing your talent in Resurrection's Music Ministry. Sign-up for *The Daily Cup* email for more ideas.

SHARING

Ideas include drinking from your cup at work or among friends to open conversations with others. You don't need to sound preachy or religious. Let your Resurrection cup remind you to just be real and have fun living your faith. Talk about such things as how you find peace, what prayer means to you, and how Resurrection MCC has added value and meaning to your life.

Sign up to participate in this Lenten Journey in the Gathering Place after worship services today!

The Chalice

opening...receiving...offering
Life in Fullness

MARCH 18

Community Soup Supper – 6:00 - 6:30 pm

Spiritual Deepening – 6:30 - 7:00 pm

Life Development Offerings – 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Join us as we Find Our Way through the journey of Lent with *The Chalice*!

Beginning each Wednesday in March and through the first Wednesday in April, we will gather and share our Lenten journeys with a community Soup Supper from 6:00 - 6:30 pm, a time of shared Spiritual Deepening from 6:30 - 7:00 pm, and three open small-group offerings to choose from as we draw near to God in Contemplative Practice, Scripture Study, and in Reflection for Social Action.

Come for one, some or all – let us journey and together Find Our Way!

Life Development Offerings (7:00 - 8:30 pm)

Contemplative Practice (Chapel)

When are you most aware of the Divine Presence dwelling within you?

We offer God the “cup of our lives” through contemplative practice, meditative journaling, and prayer during our Lenten journey together – all welcome!

Scripture Study (Sanctuary)

What would it mean for you to heed Scriptural call to live authentically - to live as though the truth of your Belovedness by God was true?

We are journeying into the “wilderness” of Scripture listening for the truth of God’s love, seeking to live this love as the truth of our lives – join us!

Reflection for Social Action (Music Room)

How would we live our faith if we truly understood that we cannot celebrate the Savior’s body if we do not love and take care of the whole body?

When we live from a place of promise that God’s covenant is with “all flesh” we see that justice is indeed the work of love – God’s love! Everyone invited!

A Sip from The Chalice

**Spiritual Deepening Practice
On the Journey of Lent**

What is Lent?

Lent is a 40-day liturgical season that begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes at Easter. Sundays are not included in the 40-day count because every Sunday is a joyful celebration of Jesus' resurrection. Though not biblical, Lent has long been a tradition in the Christian Church, and it is thought that the tradition of the 40 days recalls the 40 days Jesus spent in the wilderness, fasting and being tempted by Satan (Matthew 4:1-11). Because of Lent's reflective and penitential nature, worship tends to be more solemn, and purple is the liturgical color of the season. As with many congregations, Resurrection holds mid-week worship services which include devotional activities to share the Lenten disciplines such as service, fasting and prayer in community with one another.

Palm Sunday begins the last week of Lent, known as Holy Week. Holy Week celebrations at Resurrection include a Foot Washing Service on Wednesday based on John 13 (“Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet”), a Liberation Seder on Maundy Thursday based on Christ's "Last Supper" (including the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and the mandate to serve one another in love), and a Good Friday service which commemorates Jesus' imprisonment, trial and death by crucifixion. Lent culminates on Easter, when Christians gather and celebrate the resurrection of Christ.

God became flesh in Jesus Christ. Jesus faced temptation, he suffered hunger and thirst, he suffered the agony of crucifixion. Jesus did not face these things so that we would be exempt from them, he faced these things so that we would have dignity in them. Jesus came in the flesh and dwelt among us, and suffered hunger and thirst and heat and cold and betrayal and loneliness, and finally also pain and agony and death upon the cross, and in this “journeying with/in humanity” he gave dignity to all who suffer. When, for a day or season, we are overcome by grief or despair and find that we cannot “snap out of it,” when we usually rely on our own ability to “think positive” but we find we cannot just “look on the bright side of things” at some point, as Christians we find that Jesus meets us there! In hopelessness we find our hope in Christ and there we can endure unhappiness and sadness and loneliness, we can survive poverty and hunger and thirst; we can face mourning and grief and even death, because Jesus faced all those things! We come to know that Jesus brings life in the very place of death; we can face our own crucifixions in life, because we know that Jesus is “alive and well, his spirit is within us” because he died to live again!

Lent is a time to live our friendship with Jesus. Let us be bold to join him, fasting in the wilderness for forty days during Lent; let us live the journey of our faith – friends of Jesus, alive in God – through these weeks ahead.

Get Connected to a First Impressions Ministry

Stop by the Gathering Place after services and find out more about exciting volunteer opportunities!

Concierge Desk

Eliot Perez

Concierge@ResurrectionMCC.org

Do you like to help people feel welcome and included?

We need loving, warm and friendly people to serve at the Concierge Desk, located in the Gathering place, before and after both Sunday Worship Services! This desk helps welcome new friends, provide them with a free gift, and help them get connected.

Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Gift Shop

Dawn Ashbrook

Inspirations@ResurrectionMCC.org

Looking for new friendly faces and volunteers for this ministry! Provide outstanding customer service in an atmosphere of fellowship for people to make connections.

Second Family Care Partners

Kristia Ammerman

SecondFamily@ResurrectionMCC.org

This care team acts as extended family and friends, offering emotional, practical, and spiritual support. Meets for lunch 1st Sun. at 12:30 pm.

Ushers

Dave Mathis

Ushers@ResurrectionMCC.org

We need ushers for 9 & 11 am Sunday Worship Services. Teams serve one service (either 9 or 11 am) each month. Remember, "No one is *JUST* an usher."

Welcome Team

Jason Sowders

Welcome@ResurrectionMCC.org

Do you like helping people feel special and welcome the moment they arrive to the church?

We want to welcome people to the church and help them get to where they need to go. Team members are positioned at every door and sidewalk, greeting people with a smile and kind word, offering directions or answering questions.

If you have questions or would like to join any of these teams, email the team lead (listed above) or contact Jason Wood at Jason@ResurrectionMCC.org or 832-971-0354.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Resurrection MCC is so blessed to have a number of music groups to minister at our worship services. Solo or professional quality voices are not necessary to be a part of these groups. Below is a list of the groups and when they meet. Please take some time to consider being a part of Resurrection MCC's music ministry.

GOSPEL ENSEMBLE

Tuesdays • 7 pm

Directed by Cassandra White, this group sings music in the African-American Gospel tradition, traditional Spirituals and contemporary music of all types. Reading music is not required for this group, but the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody is.

SANCTUARY CHOIR

Tuesdays • 7 pm

This group sings mostly traditional church choral music with some contemporary music added from time to time. Reading music is not required for this group, but the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody is.

RESURRECTION SINGERS

Mondays • 7 pm

This is our newest group. Reading music would be very helpful and being comfortable on a separate microphone.

ANGELS IN MOTION

Second & Fourth Saturdays • 1 pm

This group is a dance troupe that ministers through dance and movement. This group has its own choreographers. Experience in dance is not necessary, if one has the willingness to learn.

HEAVENSOUND HANDBELLS

Sundays • 1:30 pm

Currently there are several open spots in the handbell choir. Interested people need to have some music reading skills. Experience in ringing is not required. The director, Jim Winslett, will teach anyone the techniques of ringing.

RESURRECTION ORCHESTRA

Weekly rehearsal day has not been determined. We currently have about 6 people interested in beginning this new group, however, we need a few more to have a balanced instrumentation. Reading music is essential, as is having your own instrument (other than percussion).

If you have interest in any of these groups, please email Worship@ResurrectionMCC.org

Friday Night OUT March 27, 7 pm



Join us for dinner at
Katz Deli & Bar!

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713.521.3838
www.ilovekatzs.com

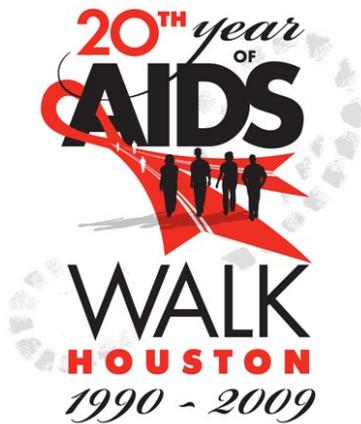
For more information, or to join the email list for the group,
email NightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org

Care for our environment by recycling newspapers,
magazines, catalogs and junk mail in the containers in our
parking lot.



In 2008, we recycled
30 tons of paper,
a 12% increase
over 2007.

We now have two
collection bins
as this program
grows. We receive
cash based on the
weight of the paper
collected.



**Our thoughts and prayers are with our
Resurrection family members who are
out this morning... walking, fund-raising,
and increasing community awareness
about HIV / AIDS.**

There's still time to lend your support!
Go online today. Make a donation to our team,
which helps our HIV / AIDS Benevolence Fund.
Get your t-shirt in *Inspirations* Coffee Cafe today!

Link to donate on our Web site at
www.ResurrectionMCC.org

New Members' Class

Tuesday, April 7

6 - 8:30 pm

Gathering Place / Dinner Served

Join Rev. Janice, Rev. Kristen, and Jason to
discuss the mission, vision, and values of
Resurrection MCC, to discover our connection
to the world through our affiliation with
the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan
Community Churches, and to join this family
of faith in purpose, service, and fellowship!



To register, contact Jason Wood,
Jason@ResurrectionMCC.org
or 713-861-9149 x105.

Download the Spiritual Gifts Assessment
from www.ResurrectionMCC.org,

QUIEN ES TU PAPI?

(Who's Your Daddy?)



**2008 Daddy of Montrose
Carlos Rivera**
invites you to his first show

When: Saturday, March 21st, 2009 at 7PM
-Will start collecting music at 6PM

Where: Tony's Corner Pocket, 817 W. Dallas St.

Who: The more the merrier, show open to all performers

Why: It's for a good cause, all proceeds go to Resurrection
MCC Food Pantry

What (to bring): Will also be collecting non-perishable food
items and cash is always welcome!

Landscape & Facilities Workdays

**Saturdays,
March 28 & April 4
9 am**



Spring Maintenance and Preparing the Campus for the Region 6 Cluster Conference

Mark your calendars on Saturday, March 28 and Saturday, April 4 for fellowship and participation as we work together to care for our church campus. We will be holding workdays starting at 9 am on these two days. Tasks will include weeding, trash pickup, organizing interior rooms, painting, and general cleaning.

We need people willing to help organize these two days plus individuals able to lead tasks during the workdays. We will also need individuals to organize refreshments.

Please email Craig@ResurrectionMCC.org for more information or to indicate your willingness to participate.

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Spring 2009

Semi-Annual Congregational MEETING

NEXT Sunday, March 22
12:30 pm, Sanctuary

Join us and elect six members to our Board of Directors!

Resurrection MCC
proudly hosts the

Region 6 Cluster Conference

April 24 - 26

This gathering includes Central Texas MCC from the Heart (Waco), Harbor MCC (Galveston), MCC Austin at Freedom Oaks, MCC of Corpus Christi, MCC San Antonio, and Resurrection MCC.

Business includes the election of a Regional Elder and a vote on the two candidates for Moderator. More info at www.ResurrectionMCC.org



Parents Lunch Social Saturday, March 28, 10 am Donovan Park, 700 Heights Blvd.

Parents, Parents-To-Be, or those interested in becoming parents, are invited to join us!



Questions? Parents@ResurrectionMCC.org
Info: www.houstonheights.org/donovanpark.htm

Food Pantry Ministry

Open Mondays & Wednesdays
by appointment
Team Lead: Marty Williams

*Food Pantry fund is very low.
Please make a donation today.
Write "Food Pantry" on your check
or giving envelope.*

Most in Need of Canned Meat.





SUNDAY MARCH 29th 2009

AT

THE BRAZOS RIVER BOTTOM

**THE 3rd ANNUAL
PLAYBOY BUNNY REJECT SHOW**

AND

BUNNY REJECT OF THE YEAR 2009-2010 CONTEST

SERVING A TRADITIONAL EASTER DINNER @ 6:00P.M.

WITH HAM, TATERS, VEGGIES & DESERT TOO FOR \$5.00 A PLATE

SHOW TIME @ 7:30 P.M.

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Stewardship Thought for the Week

Since time is one immaterial object which we cannot influence - neither speed up or slow down, add to nor diminish - it is an imponderably valuable gift.

~ Maya Angelou

Board Members on Duty

Debbie Skelly & Len Shelton

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

Equality Ministry Meeting

TODAY, 12:30 pm

Activities Building #108

*Join us for lunch as we discuss
our upcoming projects.*

*Questions or to Sign up:
Equality@ResurrectionMCC.org*



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~ Mojo Johnston & Terry Talley

General Fund Financial Report

Week Ending March 8, 2009

			Week	Year
<i>Tithes & Offerings</i>				
3/08/09 9:00 am	114	\$2,234.00	\$38,801.95	
3/08/09 11:00 am	319	\$7,614.27	\$68,166.08	
3/04/09 6:30 pm	22	\$193.00	\$1,096.00	
Special Services		\$1,195.00	\$1,901.27	
Online Giving		\$1,516.67	\$9,555.33	
Other Contributions		\$1,986.77	\$18,134.70	
Total	455	\$12,752.94	\$137,655.33	
<i>Other General Fund Income</i>				
Fundraising		\$22.00	\$1,185.48	
Miscellaneous		\$1,924.97	\$5,065.53	
Total Received		\$14,599.91	\$143,906.34	
Budgeted Need		\$17,653.85	\$170,300.00	
Total Surplus / (Deficit)		(\$3,053.94)	(\$26,393.66)	
Total Imagine Capital Campaign		\$4,640.00	\$24,663.34	



This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY MARCH 15

- 9:00 am AIDS Walk Houston *Downtown*
- 9:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson**
- 10:15 am Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry *Chapel*
- 10:45 am Youth Ministries Program *Activities Building*
- 11:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson**
- 12:30 pm Equality Ministry Team Meeting *Act. Building #108*
- 1:30 pm HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal *Music Room*

MONDAY MARCH 16

- 6:30 pm Resurrection Singers Rehearsal *Music Room*
- 6:45 pm Pride Band - Small Group Rehearsal *Chapel*

TUESDAY MARCH 17

- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous *Gathering Place*
- 7:00 pm Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal *Music Room*
- 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *Chapel*

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18

- 6:00 pm The Chalice: Community Meal *Activities Building*
- 6:30 pm The Chalice: Spiritual Deepening *Sanctuary*
- 7:00 pm The Chalice: Contemplative Practice (Open) *Chapel*
- 7:00 pm The Chalice: Scripture Study (Open) *Sanctuary*
- 7:00 pm The Chalice: Social Action (Open) *Music Room*
- 7:00 pm The Chalice: Pastoral Care Min. Training *Gathering Place*
- 7:00 pm Pride Band Rehearsal *Activities Building*

THURSDAY MARCH 19

No Events Scheduled.

FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED MARCH 20

No Events Scheduled.

SATURDAY MARCH 21

No Events Scheduled.

SUNDAY MARCH 22

- 9:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson**
- 10:15 am Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry *Chapel*
- 10:45 am Youth Ministries Program *Activities Building*
- 11:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson**
- 12:30 pm Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting *Sanctuary*
- 1:30 pm HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal *Music Room*