



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

September 29, 2013

+ **Opening Song/Canción de Entrada**

We Won't Be Shaken

This world has nothing for me, This life is not my own
I know You go before me and I am not alone, This mountain rises higher
The way seems so unclear, But I know that You go with me so I will never fear
I will trust in You

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain
We won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh
Oooh oooh oh, No we won't be shaken

You know my every longing, You've heard my every prayer
You've held me in my weakness, Cause You are always there
So I'll stand in full surrender, It's Your way and not my own
My mind is set on nothing less, Than You and You alone
I will not be moved oh

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain
We won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken

We will trust in You, We will not be moved
We will trust in You, And we won't be shaken
[x3]

No we won't be shaken

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain
We won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh
Oooh oooh oh, No we won't be shaken
Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh
Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh
No we won't be shaken

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Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

CLM Recognition

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Announcements / Anuncios

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

Rite of Membership

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

+ **Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

We Gather

From many places we gather here. This is a high point of our week. We see our friends. We make new friends. And we spend time with The Friend -- the loving Christ who meets us where we are, as we are. In this Sanctuary we worship, and through worship the courage within us is kindled to inspire courageous living beyond this place.

Creating a Life of "Enough"

What would it be like to experience God's provision for our lives so deeply, so truly, that the persistent anxieties of our hearts and our bank balances would be healed and released into God's care and protection? This season we will ask God to lead us from the fear of scarcity into the clarity and comfort of a spiritual "bottom line": with faith in our God, one day at a time, we can create a life that is more than "enough!" Come Sundays for the sermon series, Monday evenings for the class, or follow along at home - books available in Inspirations! Join us as together with God we create a life of "enough!"

+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

The Prosperous Heart

The prosperous heart is abundant. While we may not have all that we wish, we can be assured that we have "enough."

We know that prosperity is more than our cash flow, more than our fiscal bottom line. Prosperity is a matter of faith.

The prosperous heart trusts that the future will be cared for, as is the day at hand.

The prosperous heart does not fear abandonment.

It claims God as its constant companion. There is one prayer it

prays above all" Thy will be done." The prosperous heart believes that even its tiniest whisper meets God's ear. -

Julia Cameron , The Prosperous Heart: Creating a Life of "Enough"

+ The Gathering Song/ Canción de Bienvenida

You Are Mine

I am strength for all the despairing
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free
And all will know My name

Do not be afraid, I am with you, I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me, I will bring you home
I love you and you are mine

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Contemporary Reading/ Lectura Contemporánea

Youth Ministry Volunteer

The Prosperous Heart

The first step toward generosity is prayer. Facing the day, writing a prayer to be guarded and guided sets the tone. A request to have knowledge of God's will and the power to carry it out puts the heart on the right footing. Sourced in God, acting in generosity is possible. The heart experiences a sense of abundance. An impulse to share God's largess comes next, whether by giving of your time, your attention, your hospitality or your money. The prosperous heart shares its bounty. (The Prosperous Heart, p. 164)

+ Scripture Lessons / Escritura Lección

Youth Ministry Volunteer

Luke 16:19-31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." "

Anthem

Mass Choir

I Wanna Be Ready

Children's Time

Joel Palomares

Engage / Sermón

Rev. Troy Treash

Congregational Response Song/Word

Our Ministry Together

Debbie Mansfield

Blessing of the Volunteers

Rev. Troy Treash
Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Offertory / Ofertorio

Mass Choir

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart
by Charles Hutchison Gabriel and Rufus H. McDaniel

Communion / Comunion

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini
Robert Fleming

Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunion

Make Us One Lord

Make us one Lord, make us one;
Holy Spirit make us one.
Let your love flow so the world will know
We are one in you.

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I Will Rise

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Peace Is Flowing Like A River

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We Are One In The Spirit

We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Spirit
We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Spirit
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

(Chorus)

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our love,
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love

We will work with each other, We will work side by side.
We will work with each other, We will work side by side.
And we'll guard human dignity, And save human pride.

(Chorus)

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand.

Communion

As we gather, break bread, and tell stories of hope through prayer, song and ritual in the practice we call "communion," we bear witness that "Life is stronger than death. People can change with God's help. And God is worthy of our thanks and praise." All are welcome at the table: you do not need to be a member of this or any church to gather as God's children at the table of Life.

A brief blessing is offered with bread and juice, available to all. Gluten-free bread is offered at the far right; Spanish blessing offered at the far left.

Please honor this time of sacred community with singing, quiet meditation or prayer that we might each receive the spiritual nourishment we seek ...

Comunion

Al reunirnos, partir el pan, y contar historias de esperanza a través de la oración, el canto y el ritual en la práctica que llamamos "comunion", damos testimonio de que "la vida es más fuerte que la muerte. Las personas pueden cambiar con la ayuda de Dios. Y Dios es digno de nuestro agradecimiento y alabanza." Todos están invitados a la mesa: no es necesario ser miembro de esta iglesia o cualquier reunir como hijos de Dios en la mesa de la Vida.

Una breve bendición se ofrece con el pan y el jugo, al alcance de todos. Pan sin gluten se ofrece en el extremo derecho; bendición españoles ofrecen en el extremo izquierdo.

Por favor respetar este tiempo de comunidad sagrada con canto, la meditación o la oración silenciosa para que podamos recibir cada uno el alimento espiritual que buscamos ...

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

(Chorus)

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Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

+ **Closing Hymn/Canto Final**

You Are Good

Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.
Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.

People from every nation and tongue, From generation to generation.
We worship You, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We worship You for who You are., We worship You
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,, We worship You for who You are
You are good.

Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.
Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.

People from every nation and tongue, From generation to generation.
We worship You, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We worship You for who You are., We worship You
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,, We worship You for who You are
You are good.

Yes, You are. Yes, You are. Yes, You are.
So good, so good.
Yes, You are. Yes, You are. Yes, You are.

You are good all the time! All the time, You are good.
You are good all the time! All the time, You are good.

Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.
Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.

Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.
Lord You are good, And Your mercy endureth forever.

People from every nation and tongue, From generation to generation.
We worship You, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We worship You for who You are., We worship You
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We worship You for who You are
(For who You are), for who You are!
(For who You are), for who You are!
You are good!

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+ **Benediction / Bendición**

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

+ **Postlude / Postludio**

Joel Hammett

Prayer

If you are in need of prayer support, you can find prayer partners available during our time of communion or after worship in the right wing of the Sanctuary.

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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 First-Time Families!

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

Children and youth aged 4 - 17 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 Noon in the Activities Building. Snack & sign-outs begin at 12:15 pm.

About Us...

Resurrection MCC is a Christian church that follows God's call to justice for all people. We build on a rich history of social justice for, and on behalf of, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people. Since its founding in 1968, Metropolitan Community Churches have been at the vanguard of civil and human rights movements as an international advocate for vulnerable people in places where religious orthodoxy, sexism, transphobia and homophobia can result in violence and death. MCC has been on the forefront in the struggle towards marriage equality in the US and other countries worldwide and continues to be a powerful voice in the LGBTQ equality movement. MCC's ministry reaches over 43,000 members in over 250 churches in 22 countries worldwide.

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. Because of our faith we are called to: do justice, show kindness, and live humbly with God (Micah 6:8); explore life's questions with open hearts and minds; raise our voices in sacred defiance against exclusion, whether religious, political or systemic; reach out to those with no hope; equip new generations of remarkable, far-reaching spiritual activists.

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. We embrace four core values:

Core Values

Inclusion

Love is our greatest moral value and resisting exclusion is a primary focus of our ministry. We want to continue to be the conduits of a faith where everyone is included in the family of God, and where all parts of our being are welcomed at God's table.

Community

Offering a safe and open community for people to worship, learn and grow in their faith is our deep desire. We are committed to equipping ourselves and each other to do the work that God has called us to do in the world.

Spiritual Transformation

Providing a message of liberation from the oppressive religious environment of our day or to those experiencing God for the first time is what guides our ministry. We believe that when people are invited to experience God through the life and ministry of Christ, lives will be transformed.

Social Action

Working to talk less and do more, we are committed to resisting the structures that oppress people and standing with those who suffer under the weight of oppressive systems, being guided always by our commitment to Global Human Rights.

Worship | Sunday, 9 & 11 am
Children & Youth Worship | Sunday, 11 am
Nursery | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

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Celebration
Theatre



Resurrection
Methodist Community Church

Request Your Presence at the Regional Premiere of...

Standing On Ceremony

The Gay Marriage Plays

Responding to one of the defining issues of our time - the quest for marriage equality throughout the U.S. - some of America's finest playwrights, including Neil LaBute, Paul Rudnick, Moises Kaufman, Jose Rivera, Mo'Gaffney, and Craig Wright, have created a heartfelt, funny, and illuminating evening of theatre that celebrates the courage to be in a committed relationship!

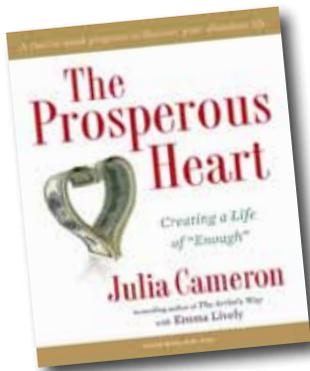
Performances are in the beautiful sanctuary of RMCC.
2025 West 14th Street | Houston, TX 77008

Final Performance

TODAY

4 pm

Tickets Available after Services in Gathering Place.



The Prosperous Heart

Creating a Life of "Enough"

MONDAYS
SEPTEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 9
7 - 8:30 pm, Gathering Place

Author Julia Cameron, creator of the popular Artist's Way process, guides us in this incredible 12-week series for freeing ourselves of limiting ideas, negative patterns, and habitual fears which keep us from experiencing clarity and freedom in our financial lives. Recognizing that prosperity is a spiritual condition rooted in faith in God's care and provision, The Prosperous Heart deepens our awareness of blessing and cultivates our ability to live prosperously no matter our financial situation.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-PH2013
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



FEEDING THE 500

FOOD COLLECTION:

Sunday, September 29, 9 & 11 am Worship

FOOD PACKING:

Saturday, October 5, 9 am - Noon

FOOD DISTRIBUTION:

Sunday, October 6, 9 & 11 am Worship

Pride Charities, Inc. serves the community beyond our walls as well as the one within. This legally and fiscally separate non-profit agency provides community outreach and service, working in close partnership with Resurrection MCC. The work of Pride Charities is most visible in the Food Pantry and Clothes Closet operations. Last year, our food pantry fed more than 325 families; a ten percent increase over the previous year. In fact, we are still growing with plans underway to extend the operating hours.

In addition to the services above, Pride Charities organizes special events that engage our Resurrection MCC membership and extend our helping hands -- and God's grace through us -- even further into our community. This year's Feeding the 500 food outreach effort is coming in just a few weeks. The Pride Charities Board is asking that you prayerfully consider participating by donating items from the list below that will be used to make individual care packages with food, snacks and water. Please bring these items on Sunday, September 29, and place them on the table in the wing of the Sanctuary. Volunteers will be needed on Saturday, October 5, from 9 am - Noon to create the individual zip-loc bags. Join us next on Sunday, October 6, where you will be encouraged to take a bag with you after Worship and give it to someone in need -- whether that be a friend, neighbor or someone on the street. We will be creating at least 500 bags for distribution. Your contributions of time, talent and treasure are all welcomed. Please join Pride Charities and Resurrection MCC as we all join in "Feeding the 500."

Donations Needed
Tuna or Chicken (pouch)
Fruit Cup (small, plastic tub)
Peanut Butter Crackers (small plastic 6-pack)
Pudding Cup (small, plastic)
Cereal or Granola Bar

IMPORTANT: Items should not require a can opener



LIVING SPIRIT

WEDNESDAYS

OCTOBER 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

Refresh your soul with an evening spent nourishing your relationship with God! Each week we will share a time of devotional centering, followed by the introduction of a simple contemplative practice. These gentle spiritual practices are deeply refreshing and easily accessible, from beginners to frequent practitioners! Simple, clear instruction will open into practice and then time for reflection and sharing. Give yourself a mid-week soul-renewal with spiritually enlivening practices and join us!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-LS2013
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org

FRIDAY NIGHT OUT CENTRAL



FRIDAY • 7 pm

OCTOBER 4

Radical Eats

507 Westheimer, Houston, 77006

713-697-8719

www.radicaleats.com

Join us for another Friday evening filled with food, fun and friends. To help ensure that we have adequate seating, we ask that you please RSVP and let us know if you will be attending. As always, friends and family (including children) are welcome!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131004
FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org



IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 5

1 - 3 pm • Front Lawn

“Imani” means Faith in Swahili, and “Vida” means Life in Spanish. Join us as we explore life and faith through drumming! If you like to drum or have an interest in drumming, join us as we make music through all sorts of percussion instruments: hand drums, shakers, rain sticks and even the sound of foot stomping music. Drummers of all skill levels are welcome. No prior drumming experience is required to participate in our circle. We only ask that you bring your desire to be a part of our community drum circle. We meet every first Saturday of the month in the Gathering Place, as well as other locations for other special drumming occasions.

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org
Details & RSVP: www.meetup.com/drummingcircle



IMAGO DIALOGUE DATES: COUPLES CONNECTION

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 5

10 am - Noon • Gathering Place

This Fall, treat your relationship to an IMAGO Dialogue Date each month and experience the joy of reconnection! The IMAGO Dialogue Process is a simple, powerful, and deeply fulfilling method for speaking and listening together about what matters most. In each session, Harville Hendrix’s IMAGO Dialogue Process will be briefly introduced and then couples will Dialogue with each other, sharing and listening deeply - reconnecting. We will conclude with a time of sharing and reflecting in community.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-ID2013
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YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH

ALL AGES WELCOME

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 5

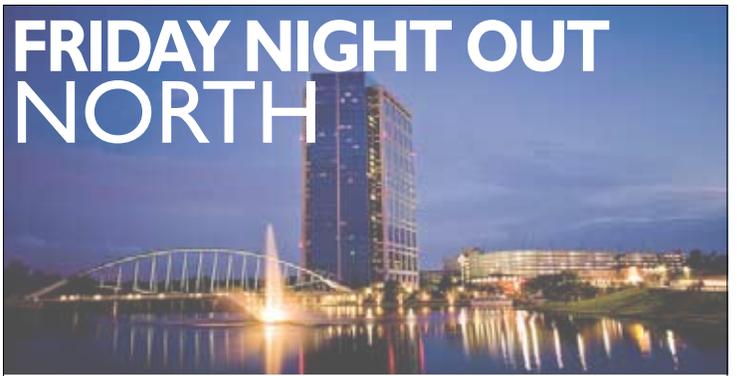
Noon - 1:30 pm

Cyclone Anaya

1710 Durham Dr., Houston, TX 77007
(713) 862-3209 • www.cycloneanaya.com

The Young Adults of Resurrection MCC invite those of all ages to join them for a fun brunch and an opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with those you may already know.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131005
YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org.



FRIDAY NIGHT OUT NORTH

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 11
7 pm

Kim Son

1701 Lake Robbins Dr
The Woodlands, TX 77380
(281) 419-9444
www.kimsoncafe.com

Join your Resurrection friends on the North side of town for a night filled with good food, good friends and good conversation!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131011
FridayNightOUTNorth@ResurrectionMCC.org



houston food bank

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 10

6 - 9 pm

Houston Food Bank, 535 Portwall St, Houston 77029

Join us in the fight against hunger as we volunteer with the Houston Food bank. We'll assist others in processing food that will help feed our hungry neighbors. Wear jeans, t-shirt, and tennis shoes (shorts and open-toed shoes are not permitted for safety reasons). Wear a Resurrection MCC "Love Thy Neighbor" shirt if available. Registration required to volunteer - www.houstonfoodbank.org

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131010
Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org



LANDSCAPE & FACILITIES

WORKDAY

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 12

9 am - 1 pm • Resurrection MCC Campus

Let's get together to love on, clean up, organize, and maintain our church. Join us at 9 am in the Welcome Area to choose an indoor or outdoor project. Lunch and laughs will be held in the Gathering Place from Noon - 1 pm.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131012
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org



RESURRECTION MCC GOLF TOURNAMENT 2013

Saturday
OCTOBER 19

Bear Creek Golf World

\$100 per Player • \$400 per Foursome

Includes Green Fees, Cart, Breakfast, Lunch,
Snacks, 2 Free Drink Tickets.

4-Person Florida Scramble with Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, &
Last Place. Special Competitions for Longest Drive &
Closest to the Pin. Sponsorship Options Available.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-GOLF2013
Golf@ResurrectionMCC.org



HEAVENSOUND HANDBELLS 20TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT & RECEPTION

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 19

7 - 8:45 pm • Sanctuary & Gathering Place

Come experience an eclectic array of Handbell Music. This concert is directed by Ms. Rose Wall. HeavenSound Handbells has commissioned a piece specifically for this concert from the former director and founder of HeavenSound Handbells, Jim Winslett. You are invited to participate in a special love offering for the general fund of Resurrection MCC. Nursery care will be available for children ages 1 month through 3 years. A reception will follow the concert.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131019



HIV / STD Testing

by Planned Parenthood

SUNDAY
OCTOBER 20

Gathering Place
after both services

After both worship services today, Planned Parenthood is providing rapid HIV testing (finger-stick, results in 15 minutes), Syphilis testing (venipuncture - results in 2 weeks), Gonorrhea & Chlamydia testing (urine sample - results in 2 weeks) and Hepatitis C testing (venipuncture - results in 2 weeks).

Planned Parenthood has an extensive HIV prevention program funded by the Texas Department of State Health Services. Their Prevention Specialists offer free HIV, Gonorrhea, Chlamydia, Syphilis, and Hepatitis C health screenings throughout Harris and other surrounding counties. Testing has evolved from targeting high-risk clients to CDC's recommendation to test everyone from ages 13-64 who meet specific criteria. However, for clients in higher-risk groups, the Prevention Specialists work with individuals to educate and identify ways to initiate behavior change. Therefore, our counseling and testing is client-centered to meet the specific needs of our diverse populations.

Our Prevention Specialists are very caring and compassionate with clients testing HIV positive and work to ensure that clients testing positive are linked to medical and case management services immediately. The counseling and education provided alerts clients to the facts about HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, their individual risks of unprotected sex and needle sharing, helps them recognize under what circumstances they take risks, and assists each client in developing a plan for keeping him or her safe.

www.plannedparenthood.org



SPIRITS & SPIRITUALITY NO RULES. NO RELIGION.

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 24
7:30 - 9 pm

Porch Swing Pub
69 Heights Blvd, Houston, 77007
www.porchswingpub.com

A social group for our Young Adults (ages 21 to 39) who come together for fellowship and encouragement on our spiritual journeys. This is an open discussion for the 20 and 30 somethings to discuss the spiritual and non-religious aspects of relationships and life challenges.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20130926
YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org



THE MOVEMENT TOWARDS GLOBAL JUSTICE: LGBTQ VOICES

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 26
5 pm - 7 pm • Gathering Place

Join MCC Moderator, Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson, and a panel of activists as they discuss the struggle towards justice and equality for LGBTQ folks and people who live with HIV/AIDS.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131026b



SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP RETREAT

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 26
10 am - 5 pm • Gathering Place

This one-day Spiritual Leadership Retreat is open to all who currently serve - or hope to serve soon! - at Resurrection MCC in any capacity. We are excited to offer a new set of sessions this year, including an offering facilitated by the Moderator of our denomination, Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson! This day-long intensive aims to foster servant-ministry that is grounded both in personal spiritual practice and in dynamic awareness of our gospel call to change the world! RSVP limit 40 registrants.

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Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131026

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We are in the process of forming a Finance Committee for Resurrection MCC to review, evaluate, and make recommendations to our Board of Directors on the use of our financial resources.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Develop and implement a long term financial resource plan.
- Evaluate all the Church's assets.
- Develop a financial resource plan which details steps that best leverages our assets.
- Implement and develop steps that would have portions of the church budget supported by outside sources.
- Oversee the annual audit

CORE COMPETENCIES INCLUDE:

- Financial background, accountability, good communication skills, and relates well to all kinds of people.

If you have some of the desired competencies and are interested in serving, please contact Eddie Domingue at Treasurer@Resurrectionmcc.org.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

is looking for a few more members with Prosperous Hearts

The Board of Directors can use your experience.

Are you an Attorney or Paralegal?
The **Administrator** role can use your experience.

Are you involved in the community outside our church walls?
The **Community Presence** role may be perfect for you.

Do you desire to enhance the influence of our church in our global denomination?
Lay Delegates represent us at conferences, communicate concerns, opportunities and policy changes to Resurrection MCC.

Visit our Web site to learn more and download applications:
www.resurrectionmcc.org/about/lay-delegates
www.resurrectionmcc.org/about/board-of-directors

Applications must be received via email to NominatingCommittee@ResurrectionMCC.org
Application deadline is October 6.
Interviews held on October 13.

Flowers in the Sanctuary

Consider donating flowers in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special day. Email the date and message to Sara@ResurrectionMCC.org or call 713-861-9149 x112.

Turning Point Financial Update

As of September 8, 2013

Make a Commitment

Commitment Cards are located at all Sanctuary entrances and may be placed in the offering plate when completed. You may also make a commitment online - www.resurrectionmcc.org/give/commitment

For those beginning a path of intentionally estimating giving, we ask you to calculate 5% of your income and discern how God calls you to reach or surpass that generosity. For those well on their way, we ask you to consider a 1-2% increase based on your gross income. More information on our current finances is available online - www.resurrectionmcc.org/turning-point

Increased Commitments for Remainder of 2013



New Commitments: 104

Board Member on Duty

Elisa Vega-Burns and Rhonda Brown
Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended September 15, 2013

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$10,847.53	\$649,840.00
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,980.77	\$656,298.10
Total Giving Variance		\$6,458.10
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$17,803.84	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,980.77	
Attendance		
Worship	542	516
Programming	201	152
Total Weekly Attendance	743	668

January - August, 2013 (unaudited)

All Revenue: \$685,812
Expenses: \$577,351
Liability Payments: \$59,742
Net: \$48,719
Owed to Capital: \$55,448

Ministry Plan Need is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2013 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives (i.e., the amount needed to make ministry happen)

This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Feeding the 500: Food Collection	Welcome Center
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Stewardship Committee Meeting	Senior Pastor Office
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Music Room
2:00 pm	Priscilla, Queen of the Desert - TUTS	
4:00 pm	Standing On Ceremony	Sanctuary

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 30

6:30 pm	Facilities Committee Meeting	Work Room
7:00 pm	Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Prosperous Heart	Gathering Place

TUESDAY OCTOBER 1

6:00 pm	Resurrection Praise Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Rainbow of Hope NA Group	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Yoga	Activities Building

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 2

6:00 pm	Houston Pride Band Dress Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Living Spirit	Gathering Place

THURSDAY OCTOBER 3

12:00 pm	HPL Children's Book Sale Set-up	Activities Building
7:00 pm	Zumba	Activities Building

FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED OCTOBER 4

8:00 am	HPL Children's Book Sale	Activities Building
7:00 pm	Friday Night OUT - Central	Radical Eats

SATURDAY OFFICE CLOSED OCTOBER 5

8:00 am	Body Blast	Activities Building
8:00 am	HPL Children's Book Sale	Activities Building
10:00 am	IMAGO Dialogue Dates	Gathering Place
12:00 pm	Houston Pride Band Concert	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Young Adult Brunch	Cyclone Anaya
2:00 pm	ImaniVida Drum Circle	Music Room

SUNDAY OCTOBER 6

9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Jubilee Theater Meeting	Work Room
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary

FISHERS NET PRAYER MINISTRY

Fishers Net offers personal prayers on Sundays at the Prayer Wall after the 11:00 am Worship Service. Please email your prayer request to Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org.



BODY BLAST Fitness Camp SATURDAYS

8 - 9 am • Activities Building

Body Blast Fitness Camp is group exercise class that mixes basic calisthenics with interval and strength training. Using light weights and circuit-training stations to engage the entire body, FIT personal trainer Brian Kinney invites people of ALL fitness levels to participate in a fun and motivating one hour class. Whether you're looking to get back in shape or wanting to try a new workout, bring a towel and a bottle of water and join us for Body Blast!

BodyBlast@ResurrectionMCC.org
Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-BBFC2013B



ZUMBA THURSDAYS

7 - 8 pm
Activities Building

Zumba fuses fitness, entertainment and culture into an exhilarating dance-fitness sensation. Zumba exercise classes are "fitness-parties" that blend upbeat world rhythms with easy-to-follow choreography, for a total-body workout that feels like a celebration.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/ZUMBA2013
Zumba@ResurrectionMCC.org