

+ **Opening Song/Canción de Entrada**

*We Are the Church Alive*

We are the Church Alive, Christ's presence on this earth;  
We give God's Spirit body in the act of our new birth.  
As yielded open channels for God's descending dove,  
We shout and sing, with joy we bring God's all inclusive love.

We are the Church Alive, Our faith has set us free;  
No more enslaved by guilt and shame we live our liberty!  
We follow Christ's example and freedom now proclaim,  
Destroying myths of doubt and fear in Jesus' mighty name.

We are the Church Alive, All praise to God on high.  
Creator, Savior, Comforter, we laud and magnify.  
Your name, Almighty God of love; Pray, give us life that we  
May be your Church, the Church Alive, for all eternity.

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**Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne** Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

**Announcements / Anuncios** Mark Eggleston

+ **Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz** Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

+ **The Gathering Song/ Canción de Bienvenida**

*You Are Mine*

I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see  
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light  
Come and rest in Me

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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+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

**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!"

*The Prosperous Heart*

When we forgive ourselves, we make way for hope, for optimism. When we forgive ourselves, we make way for God to help us. At first, it may feel awkward asking God to take over our affairs. It is somehow so intimate. And yet God knows all the details of our lives, and pretending that God doesn't gets us nowhere. Better to admit to the intimacy that exists already. "You handle it, God," we can say and that lessens our worry. But this does not let us off the hook of responsibility. We still have to act on our own behalf. We are never alone. The prosperous heart asks for help, confident that help will come. Asking, it believes it will receive. Asking for forgiveness, we forgive others. (The Prosperous Heart, p. 127)

**Anthem**

Jessica Perry

*Free To Be Me*  
by Francesca Battistelli**+ Scripture Lessons / Escritura Lección**

Ken Schroeder

*Luke 18:9-14*

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two worshippers went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing alone, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this tax collector home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

**Engage / Sermón**

Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson

*Enough Hope***A Life of Enough: Resurrection MCC 2014**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

**Song of Commitment**

Sanctuary Choir  
Members of the Bayou City Performing Arts Chorus  
and Instrumental Ensemble

*One Voice*  
Words & Music by Joseph M Martin

**Our Ministry Together:  
Worship Arts Ministries - Lay Delegates**

Mark C. Brown  
Rev. Troy Treash

**Offertory / Ofertorio**

Sanctuary Choir  
Members of the Bayou City Performing Arts Chorus

***One World***

Words & Music by Mark Hayes

**Communion / Comunion**

Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson  
Rev. Troy Treash

**Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunion**

***Jesus, Lover Of My Soul***

Jesus, lover of my soul  
Jesus, I will never let You go  
You've taken me from the miry clay  
Set my feet upon a rock, and now I know

I love You, I need You  
Though my world may fall, I'll never let You go  
My Savior, my closest friend  
I will worship You until the very end

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***I Give You My Heart***

This is my desire, To honor You.  
Lord, with all my heart, I worship You.  
All I have within me, I give You praise.  
All that I adore, Is in You.

*Lord, I give You my heart, I give You my song,  
I live for You alone, Every breath that I take,  
Every moment I'm awake, Lord, have Your way in me.*

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***Draw Me Close***

by Kelly Carpenter  
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**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 ...

+ Closing Hymn/Canto Final

*I Will Follow*

Where you go, I'll go. Where you stay, I'll stay.  
When you move, I'll move. I will follow!

All your ways are good. All your ways are sure.  
I will trust in You alone. Higher than my sight,  
High above my life. I will trust in You alone

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You!  
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah  
I will follow You, yeah!

Light unto the world, Light unto my life,  
I will live for You alone. You're the one I seek.  
Knowing I will find, All I need in you alone, in you alone!

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You!  
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah  
I will follow You, yeah!

In You, there's life everlasting, In You, there's freedom for my soul  
In You, there's joy, unending joy, And I will follow!

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You!  
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose, I will follow

Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You!  
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose, I will follow You, yeah!  
I will follow You, yeah! I will follow You, yeah!  
I will follow You, yeah!

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+ Benediction / Bendición

Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson

+ Postlude / Postludio

Mark C. Brown

*Stand Up And Give God The Praise*

by Lynn DeShazo

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.

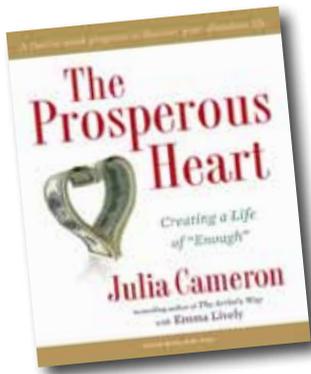
**Worship** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am  
**Children & Youth Worship** | Sunday, 11 am  
**Nursery** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

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# 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](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-PH2013)  
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# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY

## NOVEMBER 3

Immediately Following our 11 am Worship

Resurrection MCC members are encouraged to attend this meeting and cast their votes on the issues presented. It is critical that enough members present to achieve quorum so that we may conduct the business of the church. We will be voting on the 2014 budget, as well as Board of Director and Lay Delegate candidates.

Detailed information including the Annual Congregational Meeting agenda, candidate applications, financials, and slides presented at the Annual Congregational Forum are available online at [www.ResurrectionMCC.org/acm](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org/acm).



# LIVING SPIRIT

WEDNESDAY

## OCTOBER 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](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-LS2013)  
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# FRIDAY NIGHT OUT CENTRAL



FRIDAY • 7 pm

## NOVEMBER 1

### Baba Yega

2607 Grant St., Houston, Texas 77006

713-522-0042

[www.BabaYega.com](http://www.BabaYega.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-20131101](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131101)  
FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org



## IMAGO DIALOGUE DATES: COUPLES CONNECTION

SATURDAY  
**NOVEMBER 2**

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](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-ID2013)  
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



## IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY  
**NOVEMBER 2**  
2 - 4 pm • Activities Building

"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.

Details & RSVP: [www.meetup.com/drummingcircle](http://www.meetup.com/drummingcircle)  
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



## YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH

ALL AGES WELCOME

SATURDAY  
**NOVEMBER 2**

Noon - 1:30 pm

**Shade Heights**

250 West 19th St. • Houston, TX 77008  
713-863 7500 • [www.shadeheights.com](http://www.shadeheights.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-20131102](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131102)  
YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org



## BOBBY JO VALENTINE ACOUSTIC CONCERT

SUNDAY  
**NOVEMBER 3**  
4 - 5:30 pm • Gathering Place

Resurrection MCC is proud to host this amazing musician in an intimate concert setting.  
A love offering will be accepted.

[www.bobbyjovalentine.com](http://www.bobbyjovalentine.com)  
Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131103](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131103)  
MarkB@ResurrectionMCC.org

# DARING GREATLY

WEDNESDAYS

**NOVEMBER 6, 13, 20**

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

Daring Greatly is an invitation to risk the kind of vulnerability that is not only at the core of such feelings as fear and disappointment, but is also the birthplace of love, belonging, joy, empathy, and creativity. Renowned Houston therapist, TEDX presenter and author Brene Brown suggests Daring Greatly is both a practice and a powerful new vision for letting ourselves be seen. Finding the courage to be vulnerable is the challenge of a lifetime: choosing to become truly ourselves!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-DG2013](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-DG2013)  
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**BISHOP CARLTON PEARSON**

SATURDAY

**NOVEMBER 9**

## HEALING THE WOUNDED YOU: KNOWING YOUR TRUE SELF AND THE GOODNESS OF ALL HUMANITY

Noon - 2 pm • Sanctuary

Join Bishop Pearson, spiritual activists, and academics for a conversation on moving the Christian Church and religion in general to a place of healing and reconciliation where ALL are affirmed and celebrated. Bishop Pearson will sign copies of his latest books following the discussion.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131109panel](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131109panel)

## THE HEALING JOURNEY: AN EVENING CONCERT WITH BISHOP CARLTON PEARSON

6 - 9 pm • Sanctuary

Join Bishop Pearson, singers, and musicians for a progressive and positive worship experience that focuses on healing and reconciliation. A love offering will be received during the service.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131109concert](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131109concert)

*These are free community events in partnership with Progressive Open Door Community Center.*



## TRANS\*FORMATIONS

THURSDAYS

**NOVEMBER 7, 14, 21  
DECEMBER 5**

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

Join Community Educator and Activist Lou Weaver as he facilitates this empowering Thursday evening series in honor of Trans\* Awareness and Ally Month! Joined by incredible guest presenters Daniel Williams, Tye West, and Katy Stewart and co-sponsored by such ground-breaking community organizations as TENT, HRC Houston, Black Transmen Inc and Equality Texas, Lou will host this enriching series featuring trans\* storytelling, history sharing, advocacy training, and community healing!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-T2013](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-T2013)  
Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org



## MCC 101

SATURDAY

**NOVEMBER 16**

9 AM - NOON  
Gathering Place

Learn more about who we are at Resurrection MCC in this introductory class. We'll discuss the mission, vision, and values of Resurrection MCC, learn more about our history, and discover the many ways people are making an impact in our faith community. At the end of class you will be given the opportunity to become a member if you feel God's call on your heart to do so. The class is open to those wishing to become members and those who simply want to learn more about Resurrection MCC.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131116](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131116)  
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



# Coming Out To ourselves

SUNDAY

## NOVEMBER 10

1 - 2 pm, Gathering Place

This heart-opening interactive workshop will invite, encourage and even challenge you to change your "story" to one that feels better, and to look at opportunities for forgiveness which come as we begin to heal feelings of guilt, shame and regret. The workshop is based on Rev. Jerry Troyer's book, Coming Out to Ourselves... Admitting, Accepting and Embracing Who We Truly Are. [www.revjerry.com](http://www.revjerry.com)

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131110](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131110)  
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



# Transgender Day of Remembrance

SATURDAY

## NOVEMBER 23

7 - 9 pm, University of Houston-Main Campus

TDOR was set aside to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. It raises public awareness of hate crimes against transgender people and publicly mourns and honors the lives who might otherwise be forgotten. Through vigil, we express love and respect for transgender people in the face of national indifference and hatred. TDOR gives our allies a chance to step forward with us and stand in vigil, memorializing those who've died by anti-transgender violence. [www.tgdor.org](http://www.tgdor.org)

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131123](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131123)  
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# LGBTQ AND FREE

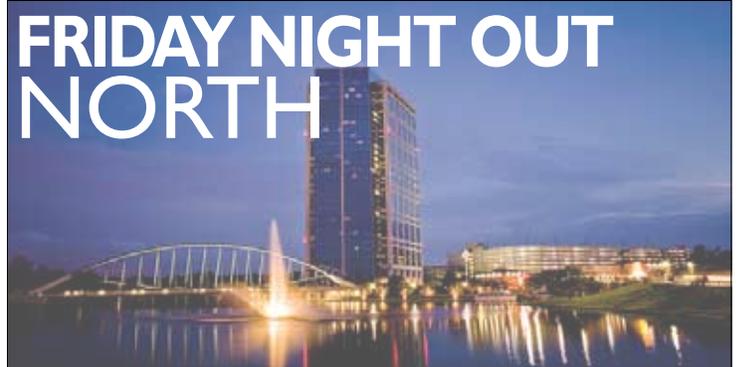
SUNDAY

## NOVEMBER 17

1 - 5 pm, Chapel

This foundational offering is for all who seek to reconcile their experience of God, their sexuality, and their understanding of Christian Scripture. In the course of an intensive afternoon, we will engage study of the 6 "clobber passages" in the Bible through the lens of our personal faith experience, current Biblical scholarship, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. If you are asking "What does the Bible say about homosexuality?" or "What does Jesus say about being gay?" please join us!

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131117](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131117)  
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



# FRIDAY NIGHT OUT NORTH

FRIDAY

## NOVEMBER 8

7 pm

**Olive Garden**

26715 Interstate 45, Spring, TX

281-363-1288

[www.olivegarden.com](http://www.olivegarden.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-20131108](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131108)  
FridayNightOUTNorth@ResurrectionMCC.org

**SPIRITS & SPIRITUALITY  
NO RULES. NO RELIGION.**

# J. BLACK'S

FEEL GOOD KITCHEN & LOUNGE

THURSDAY  
**OCTOBER 24**  
7:30 - 9 pm

**J. Black's Feel Good Kitchen & Lounge**  
110 South Heights Blvd. Houston, TX 77007  
713-862-7818 [www.jblacks.com](http://www.jblacks.com)

Join other MCCers for a casual evening filled with spiritual conversation and fun fellowship. This is an opportunity to explore the spiritual and non-religious aspects of relationships and life challenges in a casual environment.

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131121](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131121)  
[Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org)



## **CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR**

**SATURDAY**

**NOVEMBER 23**  
9 am - 6 pm, Activities Building

**SUNDAY**

**NOVEMBER 24**  
12:30 - 6 pm, Activities Building

Delicious food, great shopping, and door prizes. Come browse handmade items from local artists and find unique gifts for your family and friends this Christmas season. Admission is free. Vendor booths for this two-day event start at just \$50 and may register online at [www.bit.ly/CraftBazaar2013](http://www.bit.ly/CraftBazaar2013)

[CraftBazaar@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:CraftBazaar@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# YOGA CONNECTIONS

**TUESDAYS**

7 - 8 pm | Activities Building

Please bring a mat and towel.  
Everyone is welcome to join us  
for these free sessions.

Details and RSVP: [www.bit.ly/YOGA2013](http://www.bit.ly/YOGA2013)



## **BODY BLAST Fitness Camp**

**SATURDAYS**

8 - 9 am

Activities Building

[BodyBlast@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:BodyBlast@ResurrectionMCC.org)  
Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/BODYBLAST2013](http://www.bit.ly/BODYBLAST2013)



## **ZUMBA**

**THURSDAYS**

7 - 8 pm • Activities Building

Details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/ZUMBA2013](http://www.bit.ly/ZUMBA2013)  
[Zumba@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Zumba@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# THANKSGIVING OPEN TABLE & WORSHIP NOVEMBER 28

Thursday • 11 am - 1 pm • Activities Building

Join your family of faith and the community beyond as we gather for this holiday at the table together, open to all! We will share a traditional Thanksgiving meal as an act of worship - all are welcome, all are fed, all belong!

### Prepared Food Needed:

Turkey, dressing, gravy, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, green bean casserole, rolls, cranberries, and desserts.

### Volunteers Needed:

Set up, clean up, servers, kitchen prep, greeters, and decorators.

Sign up to volunteer or bring prepared food items(s) on Sundays, November 3, 10, or 17 in the Gathering Place.

Please contact us if you are interested in leading the decorating assignment, or if you are unable to attend the event but would like to help.

Full details & RSVP: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131128](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131128)  
Thanksgiving@ResurrectionMCC.org



# LANDSCAPE & FACILITIES WORKDAY

SATURDAY  
**NOVEMBER 16**

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-20131116b](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20131116b)  
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org

### 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](mailto:Sara@ResurrectionMCC.org) or call 713-861-9149 x112.

### Board Member on Duty

Dr. Jackie Marshall and Eddie Domingue  
*Board Minutes Available Upon Request.*

## General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended October 20, 2013

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$13,867.90	\$726,025.98
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,980.77	\$746,201.95
Total Giving Variance		(\$20,175.97)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$17,707.95	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,980.77	
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	426	484
Programming	209	157
Total Weekly Attendance	635	641

### January - September, 2013 (unaudited)

All Revenue: \$792,855  
Expenses: \$655,774  
Principal Payments: \$67,209  
Current Liabilities: \$7,400  
Prepaid 2014 Pledges: \$20,603  
Net: \$41,869  
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 OCTOBER 27

9:00 am	Worship Service	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	<i>Chapel</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
11:00 am	Worship Service	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	Pastoral Care Ministers Team Meeting	<i>Work Room</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>

### MONDAY OCTOBER 28

6:30 pm	Joyful Singing 102	<i>Chapel</i>
7:00 pm	Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 pm	The Prosperous Heart	<i>Gathering Place</i>

### TUESDAY OCTOBER 29

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

### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30

7:00 pm	Living Spirit	<i>Gathering Place</i>
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### THURSDAY OCTOBER 31

7:00 pm	Zumba	<i>Activities Building</i>
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### FRIDAY NOVEMBER 1

**OFFICE CLOSED**

7:00 pm Friday Night OUT - Central

### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2

**OFFICE CLOSED**

8:00 am	Body Blast	<i>Activities Building</i>
10:00 am	IMAGO Dialogue Dates	<i>Gathering Place</i>
1:00 pm	5th Quarter Christmas - Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
1:00 pm	5th Quarter Christmas - Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
2:00 pm	ImaniVida Drum Circle	<i>Activities Building</i>

### SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3

9:00 am	Worship Service	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	<i>Chapel</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
11:00 am	Worship Service	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	Annual Congregational Meeting	<i>Sanctuary</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
4:00 pm	Bobby Jo Valentine Acoustic Concert	<i>Gathering Place</i>

# A LIFE OF ENOUGH:

## For Ourselves, For Our Church, For The World

Today, we will be gathering the financial commitments you have made to advance God's work through Resurrection MCC. This season we continue to celebrate our Summer commitments that have already taken us 51% of the way to our goal. And we continue to invite everyone to be in the journey of generosity from just starting off -- to tithing 10% -- into even greater abundance.

Specifically, if we already have a commitment based on a percentage of our income we are asked to increase that commitment by 1-2% of our gross income. If I currently give 5% that increases my commitment to 6-7% of my income. Some respondents this Summer moved from 10% to 12%. And also specifically, if we haven't made a consistent commitment, we are asked to calculate what starting at 5% of our income would be and making a first step to achieve that goal. On the back of our commitment cards is a helpful graph to financial gifts by percentage of income. This is a journey for everyone - one step at a time.

If you prefer to submit a  
commitment card online, please visit  
[www.resurrectionmcc.org/give](http://www.resurrectionmcc.org/give) commitment

Creating a life of enough encourages us to be clear with our commitments, our values, and to choose to grow that which gives us meaning, thankful for what we have received, trusting God into our future.