



# Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

February 19, 2017

Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Troy Treash

Announcements / Anuncios

Angela Whorton

+ Exchange of Peace / Saludo de la Paz

Rev. Troy Treash

+ Worship Set / Conjunto de Adoración

### *Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble*

Did you feel the mountains tremble, Did you hear the oceans roar  
When the people rose to sing of, Jesus Christ the risen one

Did you feel the people tremble, Did you hear the singers roar  
When the lost began to sing of, Jesus Christ, the saving one

And we can see that, God, You're moving, A mighty river through the nations  
And young and old will turn to Jesus, Fling wide, you heavenly gates  
Prepare the way of the risen Lord

Open up the doors and let the music play, Let the streets resound with singing  
Songs that bring Your hope and, Songs that bring Your joy  
Dancers who dance upon injustice

Do you feel the darkness tremble, When all the saints join in one song  
And all the streams flow as one river, To wash away our brokenness

And here we see that, God, You're moving, A time of jubilee is coming  
When young and old return to Jesus, Fling wide, you heavenly gates  
Prepare the way of the risen Lord

Open up the doors and let the music play, Let the streets resound with singing  
Songs that bring Your hope and, Songs that bring Your joy  
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Songs that bring Your hope and, Songs that bring Your joy

Dancers who dance upon injustice, Dancers who dance upon injustice  
Dancers who dance upon injustice

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## Standing Together

Over the next four Sundays, Rev. Troy and Rev. Vickey will be Standing Together to help us begin the hard work of justice, creating within ourselves the beginnings of the Kingdom of God. This Black History month, we will explore the impact of believing that a nation, a race, a faith is exceptional, chosen, blessed to be a blessing. The Pilgrims wove Anglo-Saxon (whiteness) exceptionalism into the early fabric of US political culture and identity.

Builders of a new nation of Christian character immediately preached that the master-slave relationship was divinely ordained; that black persons as inherently criminal and violent. Whether we like it or not, we have been trained to be biased towards "white/light" as good and "black/dark" as evil. As a people of faith, we must faithfully address the truth of our country's original sin, and how it is yet manifested in our country, city, congregation and our personal lives.

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+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit. / De pie por favor.

## *You Are Exalted*

You are exalted. I sing you're exalted on high.  
I will praise you.  
You are exalted, forever exalted  
And I will praise your name!

You are my God  
And forever your truth shall reign.  
Heaven and earth,  
Rejoice in your holy name.  
You are exalted.  
I sing you're exalted on high!

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## *You Make Me Brave*

I stand before You now, The greatness of your renown  
I have heard of the majesty and wonder of you  
King of Heaven, in humility, I bow

As Your love, in wave after wave, Crashes over me, crashes over me  
For You are for us, You are not against us  
Champion of Heaven, You made a way for all to enter in

I have heard You calling my name, I have heard the song of love that You sing  
So I will let You draw me out beyond the shore, Into Your grace, Your grace

You make me brave, You make me brave  
You call me out beyond the shore into the waves  
You make me brave, You make me brave  
No fear can hinder now the love that made a way

You make me brave, You make me brave  
You call me out beyond the shore into the waves  
You make me brave, You make me brave  
No fear can hinder now the promises you made  
You make me brave, You make me brave  
You call me out beyond the shore into the waves

You make me brave, You make me brave  
No fear can hinder now the promises you made

by Amanda Cook

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## **Contemporary Word / Lectura Contemporanea**

Tomas Turrubiates

### ***Stand Your Ground: Black Bodies and the Justice of God***

by Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas

Both Jesus and Trayvon were members of despised minorities. Both were feared because of who they were. Both stood "beyond the reach of citizen security." Both offended the "lords of the land." Both were accused of sedition. Both were killed by the rule of "law and order." Both were victimized by a culture of lynching. Both were found guilty of their own deaths. Both deaths would shake a nation. Both deaths say something about God.

One: In these human words God's voice is heard.

**All: Amen.**

Slavery is often called America's original sin, but Kelly Brown Douglas names it exceptionalism. The death of Trayvon Martin spurred Douglas to author, *Stand Your Ground*. Join us to explore how exceptionalism continues to ensure violence from slavery through lynching and segregation to today's stand-your-ground culture. Jesus calls us into kingdom, not exceptionalism. Will we hear the call?

**February 5**  
The Body of God

**February 12**  
The Freedom of God

**February 19**  
The Justice of God

**February 26**  
The Time of God

**Children's Blessing / Benedición de los Niños (11 am)**

Jackie Marshall

**+ Scripture Lesson / Lectura Bíblica**

Dr. Renee Adams

***Psalm 121***

I look to the hills! Where will I find help? It will come from God, who created the heavens and the earth. God is your protector, and won't go to sleep or let you stumble. The protector of Israel doesn't doze or ever get drowsy. God is your protector, there at your right side to shade you from the sun. You won't be harmed by the sun during the day or by the moon at night. God will protect you and keep you safe from all dangers. God will protect you now and always wherever you go.

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Anthem / Selección Musical**

Gospel Ensemble

***Standin'***  
by Patrick Lundy

**Sermon / Sermón**

Rev. Vickey Gibbs  
Rev. Troy Treash

***Standing Together: The Justice of God***

**Moment of Reflection / Momento de Reflexión**

Mark C. Brown

**Statement of Faith / Declaración de fe**

Robert Sliepka

**Invitation to Give / Invitación a dar**

Ashley Bernal

**Offertory / Ofrenda**

Gospel Ensemble

***I Choose Love***  
by Mark Miller

## 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 unfermented 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 ...

## Comunión

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 "comunión", 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 española 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.

## Prayer of Receiving / Oración de Recepción

Ashley Bernal

## Communion / Comunión

Rev. Michelle Freeman

## Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunión

### *I Love to Tell the Story*

by William Gustavus Fischer and Arabella Catherine Hankey

### *Bring Many Names*

Lyrics by Brian Wren Tune by Carlton Young

### *Hush Hush*

Traditional

## Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias

Rev. Michelle Freeman

## + Closing Song / Canto de Salida

### *For Everyone Born*

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread,  
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
For everyone born, a star overhead,

*And God will delight  
When we are creators of justice and joy,  
Compassion and peace  
Yes, God will delight  
When we are creators of justice,  
Justice and joy!*

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
To live without fear, and simply to be,  
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
For everyone born, the right to be free,

(Chorus)

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## + Benediction / Bendición

Rev. Vickey Gibbs  
Rev. Troy Treash

## + Postlude / Postludio

Joel Hammett

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

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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 - 19 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.

Our **MISSION** is to demonstrate God's unconditional love to all people through Christ-like action.

Our **VISION** is to boldly experience, engage, and embody our faith to transform ourselves and the world into the full expression of Christ's inclusive love.

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. Inclusion is a primary focus of our ministry. We believe that all people, as they are and where they are, should be welcomed at God's table.

### Community

Our deep desire is to offer a safe and open community for people to worship, learn, share, and grow in their faith. 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

A message of liberation guides our ministry. We believe that when people are invited to experience God through the life and ministry of Christ, lives are transformed.

### Justice

We are committed to uplifting all people and standing with those who suffer under the weight of oppressive systems. We are guided by our commitment to global human rights.



## THE GREAT SPIRITUAL MIGRATION

HOW THE WORLD'S LARGEST RELIGION IS SEEKING A BETTER WAY TO BE CHRISTIAN

**BRIAN D. MCLAREN**  
AUTHOR OF A NEW KIND OF CHRISTIAN TRILOGY AND A GENEROUS ORTHODOXY

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# TODAY

1 - 2:30 pm • Chapel

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For 10 weeks, we will explore *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion is Seeking a Better Way to Be Christian* by Brian McLaren. The Christian story, from Genesis until now, is fundamentally about people on the move -- outgrowing old, broken religious systems and embracing new, more redemptive ways of life. It's time to move again.

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## Prevention, Intervention, and Support for Survivors

# TODAY

2 - 5 pm • Gathering Place

This presentation is for anyone contemplating suicide, grieving the loss of someone who has completed suicide or wanting to be a good friend to both. Join us as we separate myths from facts, explore dynamics and interventions and seek to connect with suffering by providing care and offering hope.

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## STAND YOUR GROUND **Black Bodies and the Justice of God**



WEDNESDAY

# FEBRUARY 22

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

For 4 weeks, we will engage the book, *Stand Your Ground: Black Bodies and the Justice of God*, by Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas. On the Sunday morning following the Trayvon Martin verdict, African-American preachers around the country addressed the questions, "Where is the justice of God?" and "What are we to hope for?" This study is an attempt to seriously consider the social and theological questions for Christians raised by this and similar stories. For pre-reading material, please email [RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org)

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SUNDAY

# FEBRUARY 26

1 - 3 pm • Gathering Place

This documentary puts the narrative in the hands of Black LGBT people who are struggling with the intersections of sexuality, faith, and race. The stories in the documentary are varied, passionate, and inspiring. Clay Cane, who created and produced the film, traveled to Atlanta, where church and LGBT culture cross paths like nowhere else, to dive into one of the most taboo topics in the Black community.

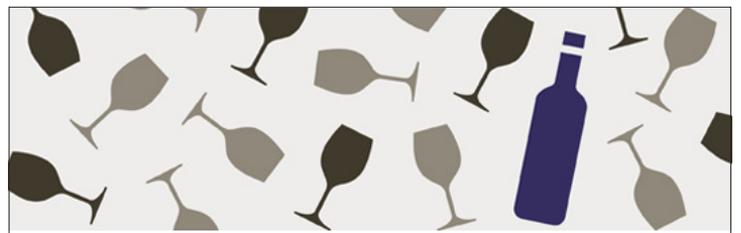
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# YAASS Planning a Successful Life: Finances

SATURDAY  
**FEBRUARY 25**  
11 am - 1 pm • Gathering Place

As young adults, it is often difficult to begin life with a good financial strategy or plan. Join us monthly as we learn how to plan, save, and be financially savvy and successful. Effectively creating the coins for retirement is a must! Different agencies and individuals will speak on issues like budgeting, planning to buy your first home, repairing your credit, getting credit, and other topics.

YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org



## Water 2 Wine Club PEARLAND

FRIDAY  
**MARCH 3**

6:30 - 8:30 pm  
2919 Southworth Ln.  
Manvel Texas 77578

Join us for drinks and hors d' oeuvres as we meet, greet, and plan for the future.

Contact Celia at 563-650-5405  
or email RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

WEDNESDAY  
**MARCH 1**  
7 - 8 pm • Sanctuary

With the traditional placement of ashes in the sign of the cross on our foreheads, we step into the season of Lent for intentional preparation for Easter. Ash Wednesday is the hinge moment when we are reminded of two things together -- we are created in divine love and we return to dust, our infiniteness and our finiteness.

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 3**

7 - 9 pm  
Del-Mar Lanes  
3020 Magnum, Houston 77092

Let's go bowling! Prizes will be given for various fun categories. It should be a great evening with lots of laughs! Cost is \$10 per person, which includes two hours of bowling, bowling ball, and shoes. Food and drinks are available at the snack bar.

Pre-registration required at  
[www.ResurrectionMCC.org/bowlarama](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org/bowlarama).  
This event is limited to 20 people.

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## SEARCHING FOR SUNDAY: Loving, Leaving, and Finding the Church

WEDNESDAYS  
**MARCH 8, 15, 22, 29**  
**APRIL 5**

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

Like millions of her millennial peers, Rachel Held Evans didn't want to go to church anymore. The hypocrisy, the politics, the gargantuan building budgets, the scandals -- church culture seemed so far removed from Jesus. Yet, despite her cynicism and misgivings, something kept drawing her back to Church. And so she set out on a journey to understand Church and to find her place in it.

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## FRIDAY NIGHT OUT CENTRAL



FRIDAY • 7 - 9 pm

### MARCH 10

### La Tapatia Mex Cafe

1749 Richmond Ave, Houston, TX 77098  
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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!

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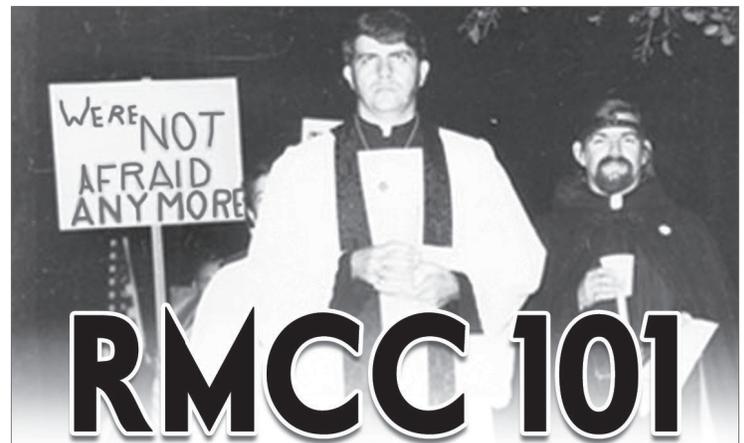
SECOND THURSDAYS  
**MARCH 9**

***When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi**  
6:30 - 8 pm • Conference Room

Book clubs have become a popular way for readers to discuss books in an informal setting. Join us as we dive in and discuss a different book each month.

March 9 - *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi  
April 13 - *The Light Between Oceans* by M. L. Stedman  
Books available in Inspirations bookstore.

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# RMCC 101

SUNDAY

### MARCH 12

8:30 - 10:30 am • Chapel

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 the 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. Lunch provided.

Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org



**SUNDAY, MARCH 5**

Sam Houston Park  
1100 Bagby St, Houston 77002

Full Details: [www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walk](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walk)  
Noon - Registration • 1 pm - Walk

Resurrection MCC is blessed again this year to have been chosen as a benefiting agency of the 2017 Houston AIDS Walk. This means that nearly 70% of the funds our team raises comes back to Resurrection MCC to financially support those affected by HIV/AIDS. Many of our clients come to us struggling to receive all the support they need from agencies in our area. With your help, we are able to assist with rent, utilities, and other expenses.

Proceeds from AIDS Walk Houston also benefit AIDS Foundation Houston and several other local HIV/AIDS service organizations. This provides 100,000 Houstonians each year with education, pediatric programs, housing, food, medical care, counseling, and job training.

### WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

**WALK & RAISE FUNDS** - Join our team at [www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walk](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walk). For PARTICIPANT TYPE, select "Walker." For ROLE, select "Join a Team." For CHOOSE A TEAM, select "Resurrection MCC." Once you register, you will find all the information you need to create a personal page and send out electronic fundraising opportunities to your friends, family, and coworkers.

**BE A "VIRTUAL" WALKER & RAISE FUNDS** - If you are unable to join us on March 6 for the 3.1 mile walk due to a prior commitment or physical difficulty, you may still participate with fundraising. First, register online at [www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walk](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walk). For PARTICIPANT TYPE, select "Virtual Walker." For ROLE, select "Join a Team." For CHOOSE A TEAM, select "Resurrection MCC." Once you register, you will find all the information you need to create a personal page and send out electronic fundraising opportunities to your friends, family, and coworkers.

**DONATE** - If you aren't able to walk with us or help us raise funds, we would still love and appreciate your financial support of our team. Simply go to [www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walkdonate](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org/aids-walkdonate) and select one of our Walkers to make your donation. And remember, 70% returns to Resurrection MCC to fund our HIV/AIDS Benevolence Fund.

**PRAY** - Join us as we pray for all those inside and outside our walls that are affected by HIV and AIDS. Pray for all of those that we have lost. Pray that God inspires our community to take action to help put an end to new infections. Pray that our community becomes educated and stops the stigma. And pray that each one of us gets tested regularly and takes responsibility for our health.

Our official t-shirt for the walk this year is our popular "Got Love?" t-shirts. They are available in Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Gift shop on Sundays. (This is only suggested attire and is not required for participation.)

Thank you for your continued support of those affected by HIV/AIDS both inside and beyond our walls!

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## Meet Your Board of Directors

### Ashley Bernal, Clerk

Hi! My name is Ashley Bernal and I am currently serving as the Clerk on your Board of Directors. As Clerk, I'm responsible for recording board minutes, obtaining reports from Board members, and compiling all reports into a packet prior to each Board meeting. My duties include maintenance of official correspondence and accuracy of church records, proper notice of all authorized meetings of the church, and maintaining membership records.

I decided to serve on the Board because Resurrection MCC is familia and I'm the happiest when I'm spending time with our community. I am honored to serve and I believe that accepting challenges is a big part of faith in Jesus. I'm inspired daily by those who have come before me and I feel motivated to work hard.

My fiancée, Lizzett Herrera, and I began attending Resurrection MCC 4 years ago, and for the past two years have been volunteering for various ministries (Bookstore, Children's Church, Young Adults Planning team) and events, as well as participating in classes. Professionally, I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. I enjoy spending time with Lizzett, as well as with my puppy. I also enjoy fishing, the outdoors, and visiting family in San Antonio.



## Faithfully Feminist

SUNDAYS  
**MARCH 12 & 19**

1 - 2:30 pm • Gathering Place

For Women's History Month, we consider the book, "Faithfully Feminist: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Feminists on Why We Stay." It is a common question women are asked in relation to their faith. These are not women who buy into Candace Cameron's biblically submissive theory. Rather, these are women who claim a feminist identity, have membership in a particular religious tradition, and practice their faith in spite of gendered challenges.

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## Miss Your Face in This Place

As ministers of Resurrection MCC, we have an exciting new way to reach out to those you have been missing in Worship. Located in the Gathering Place, there is a wooden box with cards and pens that you can use to write down the name of someone you haven't seen in a few weeks. Then, we'll send an email to let them know they are missed. We'll even include a brief message, if you'd like. Thank you for helping to demonstrate God's love.

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Depression and Bipolar  
Support Alliance

Greater Houston

[www.dbsahouston.org](http://www.dbsahouston.org)

## Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance Houston

### THURSDAYS

7 - 8:30 pm • Workroom

Free and confidential support group for individuals living with, or family and friends affected by, depression and bipolar disorders. We help individuals, family members, and friends understand these two difficult, yet treatable, mental disorders. In addition, DBSA works to educate the public about depression and bipolar disorders, confront social stigma, and advocate for the rights of people living with mental disorders.

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### THURSDAYS

7 - 8:30 pm • Chapel

Join our Young Adult Actively Serving Saints (YAASS) weekly as they explore Covenant, a fresh look at a timeless promise. The Biblical concept of covenant speaks to an enduring commitment between God and God's fruitful people. It's a promise -- to live in a loving relationship with and for each other. Our purpose is to engage participants in conversations about this unique and special relationship -- as well as our relationships with each other and the world around us -- as we study the Bible.

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## RMCC Positive: HIV / AIDS SUPPORT GROUP

### THURSDAYS

7 pm • Gathering Place

Few can question the value of support groups in helping you transition from being a person with HIV to a person truly living with HIV. We will provide a safe, non-judgmental environment where men can communicate freely and find the emotional support and education you need to better normalize HIV in your life.

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# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Resurrection MCC depends on your time and your talents to minister to over 1,000 people each month! There are a few ministries which are currently most in need of your support. If you are interested, or have questions about what may be required, please email [Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org). Your email will be forwarded to a ministry team lead who will be in touch.

- Bookstore Cashier**
- Coffee Talk Host**
- Communion Server (English & Spanish)**
- Greeter**
- Prayer Wall**
- Sanctuary Choir**
- Teachers & Assistants**
- Usher**

# 45TH ANNIVERSARY



The Resurrection MCC Justice ministry is hosting an art auction in celebration of our church's 45th Anniversary Gala. We are calling on artists to donate pieces of art to the auction to strengthen our mission to demonstrate love through action. Individuals can donate their own original pieces or donate a piece of art that they own.

Digital mock ups or actual pictures of the pieces can be submitted until March 15. Artists/donors will need to have the final version of the art to the church by April 8. 90% of the funds raised on each piece will be donated to Resurrection MCC. 10% will be donated to an external LGBT-related nonprofit of the artist's choice.

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**INformation** is a peer led support group focused on creating a gender inclusive community for transgender and gender non-conforming individuals, spouses and partners.

Support Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Monday  
 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm  
 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm Transgender/GNC Support  
 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm Spouses and Partners Support  
 7:45 pm to 8:30 pm Both groups meet together

## Celebrating Your Birthday!

We would like to send you birthday greetings on your special day so please take a moment to complete your profile in ACS so that we are able to celebrate your birthday with you. It is easy to do. Just go to our Web site at [www.ResurrectionMCC.org](http://www.ResurrectionMCC.org) click on the "My Journey" logo and create or update your profile.

## General Fund Giving Report

**For YTD Ended February 12, 2017**

	Anticipated	Actual
General Offerings	\$92,738.58	\$84,477.62
Fundraising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Events/Leases	\$23,111.00	\$14,501.88
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$115,849.58</b>	<b>\$98,979.50</b>
Variance		(\$16,870.08)
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	349	363
Programming	459	379
Total Weekly Attendance	808	742

**Ministry Plan Need** is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2016 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives.

# This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

*This schedule lists open offerings for which all are invited to participate. This is not a comprehensive list of all events on campus.*

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19

9:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
10:15 am	Coffee Talk	Gathering Place
10:45 am	Generation Faith Teens	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
12:15 pm	Coffee Talk	Gathering Place
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Area
1:00 pm	The Great Spiritual Migration	Chapel
2:00 pm	Suicide Support Group	Gathering Place

## MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 20

6:30 pm	Toastmasters	Gathering Place
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## TUESDAY FEBRUARY 21

7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
7:00 pm	Yoga	Activities Building

## WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22

6:30 pm	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
7:00 pm	Black Bodies & Justice of God	Gathering Place

## THURSDAY FEBRUARY 23

7:00 pm	HIV / AIDS Support Group	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Depression Bipolar Support Group	Work Room
7:00 pm	YAASS Covenant Bible Study	Chapel

## FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 24

No Events Scheduled

## SATURDAY OFFICE CLOSED FEBRUARY 25

9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
11:00 am	YAASS - Planning A Successful Life	Gathering Place

## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26

9:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
10:15 am	Coffee Talk	Gathering Place
10:45 am	Generation Faith Teens	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
12:15 pm	Coffee Talk	Gathering Place
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Area
1:00 pm	The Great Spiritual Migration	Chapel
1:00 pm	Holler If You Hear Me	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	The Mankind Project Support Group	Chapel



# COFFEE TALK

**Every Sunday  
After Worship  
Gathering Place**

Coffee Talk is an opportunity to make friends over conversation and breakfast snacks every Sunday! We hope you will find this as a great way to meet new friends and reconnect with those you already know. Due to a change in our arrangement with a catering group, we are in need of finger foods each Sunday. Please consider bringing and sharing your favorite sweet or savory dish at Coffee Talk. Contact Shiv@ResurrectionMCC.org with questions or offerings.



**NEXT WEEK: LOS CUCOS**

# BRUNCH BUDDIES

**TODAY • 12:30 PM**

**JAX GRILL**

1613 Shepherd Dr, Houston 77007  
jaxgrillhouston.com • 713-861-5529

Join us at a nearby restaurant every Sunday. The restaurant name and address will be printed in this location in the bulletin each week. Whether you're a long-time congregant or a first-time visitor, consider yourself invited to become a Brunch Buddy!

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