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Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church

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Prelude

Joel Hammett

Our Community Gathers

+ Exchange of Peace

Call to Worship

Rev. Carolyn Mobley
& Kedric Brown

Come On Into the House

By Babbie Mason,
Arr. by David T. Clydesdale
Gospel Ensemble, Resurrection Singers & Sanctuary Choir

Testimony, Scripture & Song

Rev. Carolyn Mobley

Hallowed Be Thy Name

By Babbie Mason & Robert Lawson

+ Scripture Reading

Rev. Janice Ladd

Mark 16:14-16

Later on the day of resurrection, as the now eleven disciples were eating supper, he appeared and took them to task most severely for their stubborn unbelief, refusing to believe those who had seen him raised up. Then he said, "Go into the world. Go everywhere and announce the Message of God's good news to one and all. Whoever believes and is baptized is saved..."

Then Jesus, after briefing them, was taken up to heaven, and he sat down beside God in the place of honor. And the disciples went everywhere preaching, the Savior working right with them, validating the Message with indisputable evidence.

Each One, Reach One

By Babbie Mason

We Gather

In this season of Pentecost, we gather and await the presence of the Holy Spirit into our midst as we invoke her presence with our singing and our worship.

We Worship

Our worship can take many forms. In today's service we hear the Message in song and testimony rather than in a sermon. The Spirit continues to speak to us through the testimony of other believers and through the inspiration of God's Word in music.

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

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Worship

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Wednesday, 7:00 pm

Children & Youth Worship

Sunday, 11:00 am

Nursery

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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Welcome!

If you are visiting 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.

Please stop by the **Concierge Desk**

located next to **Inspirations**, our coffee café and gift shop, to receive a welcome gift. 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 services are identical in form, however they contain different elements from diverse religious traditions each week.

In addition to our 9:00 & 11:00 am Sunday worship services, we also offer a Spiritual Uplift service on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm. The Spiritual Uplift service is more contemplative and includes a devotional, a short message or a biblical review. There is also a time of communion and a service of prayer.

About Us...

Resurrection MCC is a Christian church with a primary outreach to the lesbian, gay,

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

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

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

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

We believe in God's unconditional love for everyone.

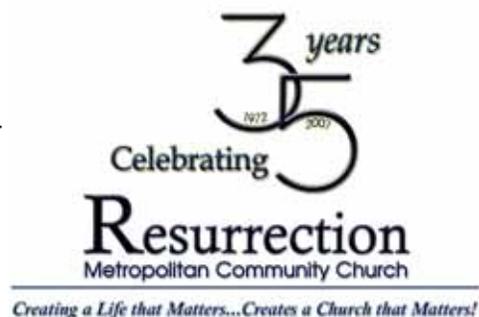
We believe in the saving grace of Jesus Christ and the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit.

We believe in including everyone and excluding no one.

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

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

Again, welcome!



Gift of Love Offering

Goldie Brown

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Words by Thomas O. Chisholm
Music by William M. Runyan

Love Is the More Excellent Way

By Babbie Mason & Turner Lawton
Arr. David Clydesdale
Gospel Ensemble, Resurrection Singers & Sanctuary Choir

Making Ministry Happen

Rev. Janice Ladd

Carry On

By Babbie Mason & Mark Lowry

Scripture Reading

Rev. Bernie Barbour

I John 3:18-24

My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practice real love. This is the only way we'll know we're living truly, living in God's reality. It's also the way to shut down debilitating self-criticism, even when there is something to it. For God is greater than our worried hearts and knows more about us than we do ourselves.

And friends, once that's taken care of and we're no longer accusing or condemning ourselves, we're bold and free before God! We're able to stretch our hands out and receive what we asked for because we're doing what Christ said, doing what pleases God. Again, this is God's command: to believe in the Holy One, Jesus Christ. Christ told us to love each other, in line with the original command. As we keep those commands, we live deeply and surely in Christ, and Christ lives in us. And this is how we experience that deep and abiding presence in us: by the Spirit God gave us.

The Greatest Love of All

Words by Linda Creed
Music by Michael Masser

Communion

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

One: God is with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift our hearts to God.**

One: Let us give thanks and praise.

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise to our God.**

Response

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te - a dor - a! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My
cor - a - zon te sa - be de-cir: San - to er-es Se - nor!
heart knows how to say to you: Ho - ly - are you, Lord!

We Worship

The author of this hymn, Thomas O. Chisholm, was born in a log cabin in Kentucky. He had constant bouts of illness and trouble with gainful employment. Through all ups and down, he discovered new blessing from God every morning. He took his inspiration for this text from Lamentations 3: *God's compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is your faithness.* Sent to his musician friend William Runyan, it was published and later used as the theme song for Moody Bible Institute. Popularity came from the Billy Graham Crusades where it was often sung by George Beverly Shea.

We Receive

All Congregations in MCC practice an open communion. We believe that communion is a visible sign of Christ's presence and God's grace that each one of us, visitor, friend or member, may receive.

The Prayer that Jesus Taught

Communion Songs

Surely the Presence

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel God's mighty power and grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings;
I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Words & Music by Lanny Wolfe
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Make me a Servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

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I Need Thee Every Hour

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like thine can peace afford.
I need thee, O I need thee; Every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

I need thee every hour, in joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide, or life is vain.
I need thee, O I need thee; Every hour I need thee!
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

Words by Annie S. Hawks & Robert Lowry
Music by Robert Lowry
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We Exalt Thee

For thou, O Lord art high above all the earth.
Thou art exalted far above all gods.
For thou, O Lord art high above all the earth.
Thou art exalted far above all gods.
We exalt thee, we exalt thee, we exalt thee, O Lord.
We exalt thee, we exalt thee, we exalt thee, O Lord.

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We Reflect

These songs are included in our worship service to give the congregation a time of reflective corporate worship together in response to taking communion.

We Give Thanks

We stand at the end of the communion service as part of our thanksgiving for the service of communion and the representation of the body and blood of Christ as the sacrifice made for us. For now we offer the sacrifice of worship to God as our sacrifice.

+ Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Benediction Song

Rev. Carolyn Mobley

The Peace of Our God

By Babbie Mason & John Madgett

May the grace of God surround you,
May God's light direct your path;
May the Spirit lead and guide you
As the weeks and months go past.
May your soul be blessed and may your joy be full
Of that new life.

As you obey God's call remember most of all,
You're a child of our God.

May the peace of our God go with you,
The peace of our God go with you.

May the Spirit rest within you to comfort and befriend you.
Jesus walks beside you to constantly remind you,
You're a child of our God.

Benediction

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Postlude

Join Rev. Carolyn Mobley for the *Gift of Love Lunch* (it's free, as our Gift to You!)
in the Activities Building following both services.

Today is the LAST Sunday to Buy Tickets!

Get yours today in Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Gift Shop

Saturday, September 8, 2007 • 7 - 11 pm • Hornberger Center • Tickets: \$50

Full details at www.ResurrectionMCC.org

Queer Casino
Dinner • Cash Bar • Craps • Roulette • Black Jack • Silent Auction

Special guest performance by



Martha Wash

The original voice of gay anthems
It's Raining Men • Strike it Up • Keep on Jumpin'
Gonna Make You Sweat (Everybody Dance Now)



Queer Casino Needs You!

Silent Auction Donations Needed
Please see Ken Schroeder, at the Casino Night Table in the Gathering Place for details.

Volunteers Needed
Visit the Casino Night Table in the Gathering Place for details, or contact Don Willis, Queer Casino Event Chair, at Casino@ResurrectionMCC.org

For questions or to RSVP, please email
Casino@ResurrectionMCC.org

Angels Softball

Sign up to play for the Fall Season!

For more information, or to sign up, email
Softball@ResurrectionMCC.org

Empowerment!



Every Wednesday

6 pm - 7 pm

Wellness Center



Positive & Negative People who care about HIV.

Questions? Please contact us via email at
JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org or call 713-861-9149 x105.

Resurrection
Inspirations
Coffee Café & Gift Shop

Summer Sale!
25% OFF all gift items this month*

Volunteers are needed to assist this ministry.
Please contact Travis Ochoa at
Inspirations@ResurrectionMCC.org

*Discount does not apply to food or beverages.

Care Callers Needed!

Monday & Tuesday Evenings

Do you have a friendly, loving attitude, and enjoy speaking with people on the phone?

Our care callers make phone calls to our first time visitors and follow up on congregational care needs.

Please contact Jason Wood at
JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org



Monthly Meeting

Sunday, September 9, 2:00 pm

September's Topic: GLBT Parents

PFLAG isn't just for Parents, Families & Friends of LGBT individuals. About half the attendees at each meeting are LGBT individuals themselves! After the keynote or panel each month, small support groups are held.

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 5501 S. Main St. @ Binz
www.PFLAGHouston.org

Now Accepting Applications

Volunteer Receptionist

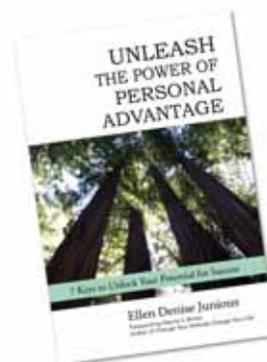
Shifts Available:

9 am - Noon & 1 pm - 5 pm

Responsibilities include
answering phones & light data entry.

Pick up an application at the Concierge Desk,
or contact Jason Wood at 832-971-0354.

It's the LAST day to Pre-Order!



**Unleash the Power
of Personal Advantage**
by
Ellen Denise Junious

10% discount off retail price
through September 2, 2007

(for pre-release orders purchased at Resurrection Inspirations)

Spiritual Maturity, Application, and Transformation

#94 by Rev. Dwayne Johnson



The Vision of Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church is AIMM: "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."

By focusing on our vision we are experiencing new growth, energy and momentum.

ATTRACT: Beginning in June, Worship Focus Groups met for heart to heart conversations about our worship. As

expected, there was a wide range of feedback about what worship is, what's working well in our worship services, and what's missing in our worship services. This participation is helping us to move forward with worship that is excellent, meaningful, and most importantly, brings glory to God. Our Director of Worship, Steven Couch, has already begun to implement the results of the Worship Focus Groups.

INCLUDE: Our Connections Ministry is helping people find their place in our community. The Concierge Table in the Gathering Place has become a Sunday morning hotspot; every new friend is a "gift" to us and they receive the gift of a coffee mug to welcome them to Resurrection MCC. The Inspirations Coffee Cafe has become a popular hangout every Sunday. Three new Connection ministries were started this summer: An AA Recovery Group, a Women's Insight Group, and the festive Karaoke Cafe. Five Connection ministries have been renewed with fresh energy: The Interfaith Second Family Care Partners, the OWLS Seniors Ministry, the Singles Group, the Youth Group (yL Youth Life) and the HIV Support Group. Our Director of Connections Jason Wood has provided a much needed *Love Jolt* to Resurrection.

MOBILIZE: Every week we are reaching out beyond our walls. I write the weekly email MOBILIZER that is pushing towards 1,500 in circulation. In June, our entry in the Pride Parade had community impact, winning two top awards. Our Outreach Ministry supported our Children and Youth by placing 500 door hangers in our neighborhood with an invitation to Vacation Bible School. Outreach is also working hard on our annual Casino Night. This year's theme, Queer Casino, is creating buzz in the community. Our Director of Outreach, Mark Eggleston, is working creatively and energetically to involve others to "get the word out" about the transforming impact of Resurrection.

MATURE: We will soon be graduating our first *Creating A Life That Matters* class. This 18 week program has been transformative to the participants. I am excited to announce that as a result of our Worship Focus Groups and other intentional conversations, I am developing a new tool to help us mature. Beginning on September 9 a new feature called *Grow Up* will replace *In the Loop*. It will include a format for daily scripture reading, prayer and reflection. the purpose will be to increase the spiritual maturity of the congregation through the daily application of spiritual truth.

My AIMM as pastor is to ensure that the growth we are experiencing is both outward and inward. I'm excited by the energy and love that is building each week as we increasingly become the church and community God is calling us to be.

New Members' Class

Tuesday, October 9

6 - 9 pm

Gathering Place

Rev. Janice Ladd guides the participant to learn the mission, vision, and values of Resurrection MCC, to discover our connection to the world through our affiliation with the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, and to join this family in purpose, service, and fellowship.

To register, contact Jason Wood,
JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org
or 713-861-9149 x105.
Download the Spiritual Gifts Assessment
from www.ResurrectionMCC.org,

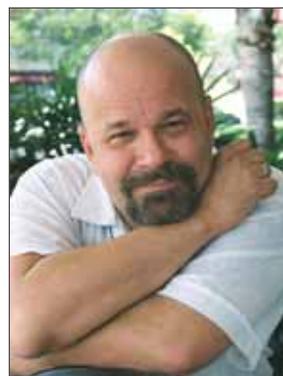
Free Tickets?



Anyone who sells 10 tickets will be given one FREE ticket for Queer Casino! Pick up tickets today after the 9 & 11 am services in the Gathering Place.

See Debbie Skelly for more details, or email
Casino@ResurrectionMCC.org.

Help make this year's event the best casino night yet!



Guest Singer: Mark Brown NEXT Sunday, September 9

In both worship services on September 9th we will have a special guest singer. Mark Brown is an actor/singer based in Portland, Oregon. A veteran of over 20 years of stage performances, Mark has a lengthy list of credits and awards. Most recently he performed the role of Guiseppe in *The Most Happy Fella* (OTAS award for Best Featured Actor in a Musical) and Uncle Ernie in *Tommy* (Live on Stage Productions). Mark originated his role in *Flipside*, a musical production which was created as a benefit for Esther's Pantry, a food bank for people with HIV.

Mark grew up singing in church. Mark has been featured soloist at many churches as well as MCC Conferences. Last summer, Mark worked with Marsha Stevens and her UpBeat! program and co-wrote the song *Why I Lift My Hands* with Steven Couch.

Get Connected!

www.ResurrectionMCC.org

<p>Second Family Care Partners</p> <p>MEETS TODAY! 12:30 pm, Activities Building</p> <p>Kristia Ammerman SecondFamily@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p>This care team acts as extended family and friends, offering emotional, practical, and spiritual support.</p> <p>If you would like to receive a care visit, or are interested in becoming a care visitor, please contact Jason at JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org or 832-971-0354.</p>	<p>Loaves & Fishes</p> <p>Robert Sliepka LoavesAndFishes@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p><i>Do you like cooking, serving, and providing nourishment to others?</i></p> <p>This group provides food for those in need due to a funeral, a special need, as well as for occasional church events.</p>	<p>Care Callers</p> <p>CareCallers@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p><i>Do you have a friendly, loving attitude and enjoy speaking with people on the phone?</i></p> <p>Our care callers make phone calls to our first time visitors and follow up on congregational care needs.</p> <p>Training can be done immediately.</p>	<p>Volunteer Receptionist</p> <p>Carole Wiseman Reception@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p><i>Do you like answering the phone and helping out around an office?</i></p> <p>We need people to help answer our phone each day from Sunday through Friday.</p> <p>Training can be done immediately. Please contact Carole Wiseman or Jason Wood for additional information, or to sign up.</p>
<p>Concierge Desk</p> <p>Leslie Jackson Concierge@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p><i>Do you like to help people feel welcome and included?</i></p> <p>We need loving, warm and friendly people to serve at the Concierge Desk, located in the Gathering place, before and after both Sunday Worship Services!</p> <p>This desk will help welcome new visitors, provide them with a free gift, and help them get connected.</p>	<p>Ushers</p> <p>Kecia Bullock Dave Mathis Ushers@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p>We need ushers for 9 & 11 am Sunday Worship Services.</p> <p>There are 10 exciting teams!</p> <p>Each team ushers one service a month, at either the 9 or 11 am Service.</p> <p>Remember, "No one is <i>JUST</i> an usher."</p>	<p>Inspirations Coffee Cafe</p> <p>Travis Ochoa Inspirations@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p><i>Do you enjoy coffee, gifts, and fellowship?</i></p> <p>We need enthusiastic volunteers to serve before and after both Sunday Worship Services.</p> <p>Volunteers are also needed during the week to help with restocking inventory, cleaning, and general maintenance.</p>	<p>Welcome Team</p> <p>Flo Perry Welcome@ResurrectionMCC.org</p> <p><i>Do you like helping people feel special and welcome the moment they arrive to the church?</i></p> <p>We want to welcome people to the church and help them get to where they need to go.</p> <p>Team members will be positioned at every door and sidewalk, greeting people with a smile and kind word, offering directions or answering questions.</p>

H.O.M.E. Groups (Homes Open for Ministry & Encouragement)

Attend One This Week!

These small groups meet regularly, throughout the Houston area, for prayer, study, fellowship, and outreach.

To attend a HOME Group, please visit our Web site for a list of locations.

If you are interested in starting a new group, please contact Jason Wood at JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org



Comparte nuestro nuevo Bilingue (Español & Inglés) H.O.M.E. Grupo en The Heights.

Sabado, 8 de Septiembre

H.O.M.E. Grupos (hogares abierto para ministerio y desarrollo) son pequeños grupos patrocinados por Resurrección que se reúnen regularmente para estudiar hacer ministerio y desarrollo los unos a los otros.

RSVP to Bilingue@ResurrectionMCC.org
Favor de reservar a Bilingue@ResurrectionMCC.org






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youthLife

NEXT Sunday!

September 9

12:30 pm

Activities Building

This new youth group will get together for lunch, games, and spiritual inspiration.

RSVP & Questions to:
JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org



Dear Friends in Christ,

Life is so full of adventures, blessings and the glorious acknowledgement that we are children of God and the image of God - wow, life is great! We also live in a world that seems to be turned up-side-down and at times we find ourselves as casualties.

So how does one travel down the "road less traveled" and the busiest roads there are in life? How can someone become stronger at being the hands and feet of Christ? How can someone know, deep down inside that they are unique and understand the truth behind Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." NIV.

My first Excel experience was in the fall of 2001. The retreat was a birthday gift to myself and it is the one gift that continues to give and give back to my church, my community and most importantly, Jesus Christ. Day after day and year after year this gift keeps on giving.

Before I attended my first Excel retreat, I was the last one in the door on Sunday morning. The first to leave and questioned... "why don't I know anyone? How can I get connected?" Since that first weekend I am an active member in church and around the community.

So what will you expect at the weekend? Expect laughter, joy and maybe some tears. You may play games and sing songs you might not have sung since childhood or perhaps some new songs. We will pray together, worship together and praise God together. You might dance as well as sit in peace and tranquility.

In all, you will be in a safe, respecting and respectful environment. There will be no judgment or discrimination as we are all children of God no matter where we are within our walk.

As Weekend Coordinator for Excel # 39, I personally invite you to give yourself a gift and attend this year's retreat. Check out our website for more information and or talk to past graduates and listen to their stories. You will be amazed. There is power in the Word and power in YOU!

Sincerely,
Ron Reeser

Friday, Sept. 21 - Sunday, Sept. 23, 2007
www.excelofthearmadillo.org
excelofthearmadillo@yahoo.com

September's Topic:
Resurrection's
Resources & Facilities
Sunday, September 16
12:30 pm, Activities Building



Parents Group!

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

Join us for lunch, presentation, and tour Resurrection's facilities.

For more information & to RSVP, please email Parents@ResurrectionMCC.org

Holy Union
Preparation Seminar
Sunday, October 28
1 pm - 5 pm, Lunch Provided
Activities Building #108



Are you and your partner thinking about having a Holy Union? This seminar is the recommended first step to having a Holy Union performed by Resurrection clergy.

It is designed to help couples discuss relationship matters, while keeping Christ in the center of their relationship.

You can learn more about having a Holy Union at Resurrection, and download the full information packet from our Web site, www.ResurrectionMCC.org.

Please RSVP via email to JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org or call 713-861-9149 x105.

Worship Styles



We want to celebrate different worship styles in our services. At times we will sing great hymns from the ancient church such as *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*; *Holy, Holy, Holy*; *O God Our Help in Ages Past*. Then other times we will sing hymns from the Gospel tradition such as: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*; *Trust and Obey*; *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*. And we will also sing songs of praise and worship from time to time. We will also sing music from the Afro-centric tradition. We will use call and response for some of our prayer times and scripture readings.

Information derived from the Worship Focus Groups showed us that this congregation wants the services to be diverse. Resurrection wants to use all the different worship and music styles within the same service. This type of worship actually has a style as well. It is called Emerging Church Worship. In the next few weeks this article will contain more information about Emerging Church Worship. The main ingredient in Emerging Church Worship is experience. In today's fast paced entertainment world people are looking for an experience when they attend worship. We will be working towards that end.

So, does that mean we will still have the Well and the Fountain? The answer is no. Our worship services over the past couple of months have been growing more and more alike. This Sunday, both services are identical as we celebrate with Rev. Carolyn Mobley's Gift of Love. Following that Sunday our two worship services will be identical. However each Sunday will have different types of worship styles represented.

If you have comments or questions, please feel free to drop by the Worship Feedback table in the Gathering Place following both worship services. We still want to hear from you.

Blessings to you all,
Steven Couch
Director of Worship



Singles Group!

For more information, and to find out about exciting activities coming soon, email Brandon at Singles@ResurrectionMCC.org

O.W.L.S. Potluck Lunch

Outreach, Wisdom, Laughter, Support: A Seniors' Ministry

THIS Tuesday, September 4

12 - 2 pm, Gathering Place

Bring your Favorite Food

Special Guest - Rev. Carolyn Mobley!

RSVP to OWLS@ResurrectionMCC.org

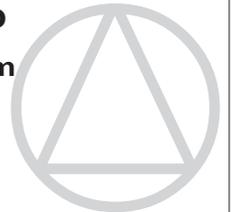
Lunches held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each Month

A.A. Recovery Group

Every Tuesday, 7 pm - 8 pm
Wellness Center

This is an open meeting of
Alcoholics Anonymous.

For more information, please call
Jason Wood, Director of Connections, at 832-971-0354.



Karaoke Café

*Come and sing or
support your favorite
Resurrection Idol wanna-be!*

September 28
7:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Gathering Place

Everyone is Welcome!
Bring your friends and kids!

*Inspirations Coffee Café & Gift Shop
will be open to provide
coffee, soft drinks, snacks & water.*



Music Ministry Opportunities

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

<p>Gospel Ensemble Meets Tuesdays at 7 pm. Directed by Cassandra White, this group sings music in the African-American Gospel tradition, traditional Spirituals and contemporary music of all types. Reading music is not required for this group, but the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody is.</p>	<p>HeavenSound Handbells Meets Sundays at 1:30 pm. Currently there are several open spots in the handbell choir. Interested people need to have some music reading skills. Experience in ringing is not required. The director, Jim Winslett, will teach anyone the techniques of ringing.</p>
<p>Sanctuary Choir Meets Wednesdays at 7 pm. This group sings mostly traditional church choral music with some contemporary music added from time to time. The group is directed by Steven Couch. Reading music is not required for membership, but matching pitch and being able to sing a part is.</p>	<p>Praise Dancers Meets Wednesdays at 8 pm. This group is a dance troupe that ministers through dance and movement. Led by Yolanda Richardson, this group has its own choreographers. Experience in dance is not necessary, if one has the willingness to learn.</p>
<p>Resurrection Singers Meets Thursdays at 7 pm. This is our newest group. It is still in the formation stage. Reading music would be very helpful and being comfortable on a separate microphone. This group is directed by Steven Couch.</p>	<p>Resurrection Orchestra Meeting night to be announced. We have been advertising for this group for some time. We currently have about 6 people interested in beginning. We need a few more to have a balanced instrumentation. Reading music is essential as is having your own instrument (other than percussion).</p>

If you have interest in any of these groups, please contact Steven Couch at SCouch@ResurrectionMCC.org or call 713-861-9149 x109

Board Members on Duty
Lynn Jenkins & Jerry Reitz

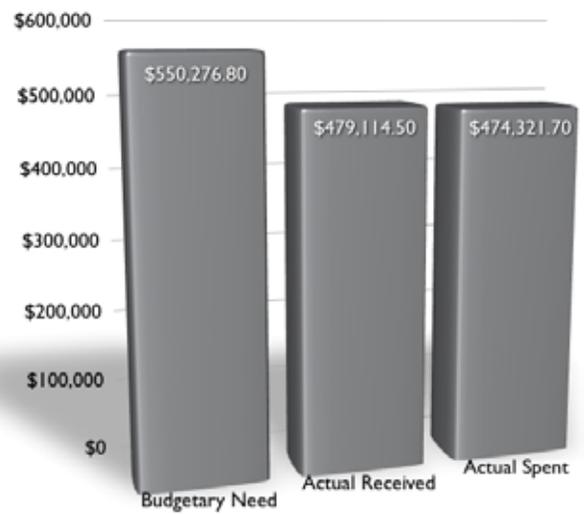
Please consider donating flowers for the Sanctuary...

Sign up on the flower chart in the Welcome Area or contact Mark Eggleston at MEggleston@ResurrectionMCC.org or call 713-861-9149 x106.

General Fund Financial Report

Week Ending August 26, 2007

	Week	Year to Date	
Tithes & Offerings			
08/22/07 Mid-Week	13	\$113.01	\$10,248.28
08/26/07 9:00 am	146	\$4,607.00	\$142,412.51
08/26/07 11:00 am	325	\$4,771.65	\$191,906.77
Special Services			\$1,388.06
Gift of Love Campaign		\$2,726.00	\$5,191.00
Other Contributions		\$2,038.00	\$92,478.25
Total	484	\$14,255.66	\$443,624.87
Other General Fund Income			
Fundraising		\$950.00	\$11,930.00
Miscellaneous		\$205.00	\$23,559.62
Total Received		\$15,410.66	\$479,114.49
Budgetary Need		\$17,884.61	\$550,276.74
Total Surplus / (Deficit)		(\$2,473.95)	(\$71,162.25)



This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 2

- 9:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Carolyn Mobley**
 10:00 am *Gift of Love Lunch* with Rev. Carolyn *Activities Building*
 10:15 am Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry *Chapel*
11:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Carolyn Mobley
 11:15 am Children & Youth Worship Service *Activities Building*
 12:15 pm *Gift of Love Lunch* with Rev. Carolyn *Activities Building*
 1:30 pm HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal *Sanctuary*

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 3

- 6:30 pm Anointing Rehearsal *Sanctuary*
 6:30 pm JustUs Rehearsal *Chapel*

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 4

- 12:00 pm O.W.L.S. Luncheon *Gathering Place*
 6:30 pm Lesbian Health Initiative Board Meeting *Gathering Place*
 7:00 pm Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal *Chapel*
 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (Open) *Wellness Center*

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 5

- 6:00 pm Empowerment + / - (Open) *Wellness Center*
7:00 pm Mid-Week Worship *Chapel*
 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary*
 7:00 pm Houston Pride Band *Activities Building*

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 6

- 6:30 pm Creating a Life that Matters *Gathering Place*
 7:00 pm GALLO Board Meeting *Activities Building #108*
 7:00 pm Resurrection Singers Rehearsal *Chapel*

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 7

- 8:00 am NCS Cultural Sensitivity Training *Gathering Place*
 6:00 pm EXCEL of the Armadillo Rehearsal *Gathering Place*

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8

- 9:00 am EXCEL of the Armadillo Rehearsal *Gathering Place*
7:00 pm Queer Casino *Hornberger Center*

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 9

- 9:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson**
 10:00 am Adult Christian Education *Workroom*
 10:15 am Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry *Chapel*
11:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson
 11:15 am Children & Youth Worship Service *Activities Building*
 1:30 pm HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal *Sanctuary*