

Resurrection

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Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church

October 28, 2007

Prelude

Justin West, piano

Doxology
Arr. Mark Hayes

+ Our Community Gathers

Rev. Dwayne Johnson & Mark Eggleston

+ Exchange of Peace

+ Opening Hymn

SHOWALTER

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, Lean-ing on the ev-er-
O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, Lean-ing on the ev-er-
What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Lean-ing on the ev-er-
last-ing arms; What a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine, Lean-ing on the ev-er-
last-ing arms; O, how bright the path grows from day to day, Lean-ing on the ev-er-
last-ing arms? I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near, Lean-ing on the ev-er-
last-ing arms. Lean-ing, lean-ing, Safe and se-cure from all a-larms;
Lean-ing on Jesus, lean-ing on Jesus, Lean-ing on the ev-er last-ing arms.
Lean-ing, lean-ing, Lean-ing on Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus, Lean-ing on the ev-er last-ing arms.

+ Invocation

Rev. Charli Merchant

+ *Please rise in body or spirit.*

We Prepare

As the prelude begins, the congregation is invited to be in an attitude of preparation for the worship of God.

We Worship

This hymn came from Anthony Showalter, principal of the southern Normal Musical Institute in Dalton, GA. Showalter published over 130 music books with combined sales of two million copies. He became known through the South for his singing schools in local churches. In 1887 he received two letters from former pupils, each being heartbroken over the loss of a spouse. Showalter went to the Bible looking for verses to comfort them. He selected Deuteronomy 33:27 - "The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are everlasting arms..." From that he wrote the chorus and sent a letter to his friend hymnist Elisha Hoffman asking her to come up with verses. She wrote three stanzas and sent them back. He set it to music, and these words have cheered us in adversity.

We Hear the Word

The drama presentation is taken directly from the story of Jonah and the Whale. Yet in this case we look particularly at the witness of the worm.

The miracle of the feeding of the five thousand is the only miracle of Jesus found in all four of the Gospels. The disciples respond to Jesus' question with rational excuses about lack of money and lack of food, not recognizing that Jesus himself will meet the crowd's needs. Jesus becomes the host who welcomes and invites the community to share in God's hospitality. And the abundance of the miracle is highly stressed in all four Gospel accounts. There is food left over!

Drama Presentation

Drama Team

Jonah, the Whale and the Worm

Anthem

Gospel Ensemble

+ Scripture Reading

Rev. Charli Merchant

John 6:5-13

from *The Message*

When Jesus looked out and saw that a large crowd had arrived, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy bread to feed these people?" He said this to stretch Philip's faith. He already knew what he was going to do.

Philip answered, "Two hundred silver pieces wouldn't be enough to buy bread for each person to get a piece."

One of the disciples - it was Andrew, brother to Simon Peter - said, "there's a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But that's a drop in the bucket for a crowd like this."

Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." There was a nice carpet of green grass in this place. They sat down, about five thousand of them. Then Jesus took the bread and, having given thanks, gave it to those who were seated. He did the same with the fish. All ate as much as they wanted.

When the people had eaten their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the leftovers so nothing is wasted." They went to work and filled twelve large baskets with leftovers from the five barley loaves.

The people realized that God was at work among them in what Jesus had just done. They said, "This is the Prophet for sure, God's Prophet right here in Galilee!" Jesus saw that in their enthusiasm, they were about to grab him and make him a king, so he slipped off and went back up the mountain to be by himself.

+ Response

Wonderful Words of Life

Sing them o-ver a-gain to me, Won-der-ful words of Life; Let me more of their
Sweet-ly ech-o the gos-pel call, Won-der-ful words of Life; Of-fer par-don and
beau-ty see, Won-der-ful words of Life. Words of life and beau-ty,
peace to all, Won-der-ful words of Life. Je-sus, on-ly Sav-ior,
Teach me faith and du-ty; Beau-ti-ful words, won-der-ful words, Won-der-ful words of
sanc-ti-fy for-ev-er:
Life. Beau-ti-ful words, won-der-ful words, Won-der-ful words of Life.

Special Music

Karla Johnson & Karen Battiste

For Good

Words & Music by Stephen Schwartz

Spiritual Encouragement

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

My Key to Our Abundant Life: Gifts

Time of Abundance

Jennifer Riley

As directed by the ushers, the congregation is invited to bring their commitment cards forward to the altar, and place them in the baskets.

Instrumental Prayer

Jesu, Joy of Our Desire

Doug Hill,
Terry Smith,
& Joel Hammett

Making Ministry Happen

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Offertory

Gospel Ensemble

+ Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be - low: Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up -
lifts! Praise the spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Communion

Rev. Janice Ladd

Introduction

Consecration of the Elements

Prayer of Consecration

Prayer that Jesus Taught

Invitation to the Feast

We Listen

This duet from the Broadway musical *Wicked* is sung by the two sisters towards the end of the show. The sisters have been close at times and adversaries at times. In the end they realize that through all they have been through, their lives have been changed by each other in good ways.

We come into contact with many people in our own lives. They might be our friends, loved ones or our adversaries. Yet God uses all these people in our lives to change us, make us stronger spiritual beings and give us strength for our journey.

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.

Communion Songs

About Rev. Charli

Rev. Charli Merchant was ordained by the Congregational Church (PT), in 1995, after graduate studies at St. John's University, a seminary, in Louisiana. Charli has officiated at weddings, funerals and holy unions for the last twelve years, and she officiated at her own son's wedding in Lake Charles five years ago.

A full time teacher, Charli is English Department Chair and Literacy Coach at a local Early College, and is adjunct professor of Education at HCC.

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.

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace.

Words & Music by Helen H. Lemmel
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Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, the son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, the son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what
The Lord has done for us."

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"
Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what
The Lord has done for us."

Give thanks.

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You Are My Hiding Place

You are my hiding place,
You always fill my heart with songs
Of deliverance, whenever I am afraid,
I will trust in you, I will trust in you,
Let the weak say, "I am strong in the strength of the Lord,
I will trust in you."

Words & Music by Michael Ledner
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Holy Ground

We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around.
Let us praise Jesus now,
We are standing in God's presence on holy ground.
+ We are standing on holy ground,
And I know that there are angels all around.
Let us praise Jesus now,
We are standing in God's presence on holy ground.

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+ **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Rev. Janice Ladd

+ **Benediction**

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Postlude

Sacred Reading

I believe with all my heart that God's people
possess God's provision to accomplish and fulfill God's purposes in the world.
~ Joel Vestal, founder of ServLife International, quote from www.generousgiving.org



The living conditions are brutal. There are five girls sleeping in a room that is 4 feet by 4 feet.
These women had worked their 10-hour day, they had not eaten a single healthful meal,
yet they still smiled and asked if I wanted to stay for dinner.
~ Minnie Driver, actor, in response to her visit to factory workers in Cambodia.



Stewardship is the voluntary and generous offering of God's gifts or resources,
time, talents, and treasure for the benefit and love of God and others.
~ Adele Ahlberg Calhoun, *Spiritual Disciplines Handbook*, 196.



I find it interesting that the meanest life, the poorest existence, is attributed to God's will,
but as human beings become more affluent, as their living standard and style begin to ascend the
material scale, God descends the scale of responsibility at a commensurate speed.
~ Maya Angelou, Renaissance woman, poet, educator, historian, best-selling author, actor, playwright,
Civil Rights activist, producer, director, community servant, and philanthropist.



Ministry is an invitation to place God front and center. Community is an on-going, dynamic experience
of humanity relating with God, and there are hundreds of ways to talk about and embody God...A
church community is called to engage, both individually and collectively, in praying daily, visiting the
sick, supporting the educational programs, and tithing one's time, money, and other helpful kinds of
resources. Healthy ministry communities involve active engagement with a spiritual landscape
designer, God. In God's hands, the planting, fertilizing, irrigating, and pruning of our beings in
community moves us to a remarkable place of beauty, humility, and faithfulness.
~ Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, *Soul Pearls: Worship Resources for the Black Church*, 13, adapted.

Spiritual Maturity & Application

Sunday's and Monday's readings are from 2 Corinthians 8. The apostle Paul declares, as he makes an
appeal for financial support, that giving is an essential test of the sincerity of love. Even today it is not easy
to ask people to reach into their pockets and contribute generously to a ministry. What do Paul's words of
appeal and conviction communicate afresh to you? What examples of others' generosity inspire you to give
more freely? What does it mean to give not only out of your abundance but also out of your poverty?
~ *Spiritual Formation Bible*, 1528, adapted.



Prayerfully ask these tough questions: How do I know when I have enough? How do I know when I have
too much? When is the last time I shared and what impact did my sharing have? Will I live on less so that
others might have more? Where can I downsize? Do I have any addictions (shopping, technology, watching
TV, etc.) that impact my resources of time, energy, spirit or money? When is the last time I gave to a
stranger? Reflect on and journal these questions over several days. If your responses to these questions shift,
how so? Doodle or journal your thoughts.



~ During the month of October, I'm calling on the entire Resurrection MCC community to pray at some
point between Noon and 1:00 pm each day. This week, pray that the members and friends of Resurrection
MCC will grow in financial responsibility to the mission and vision of Resurrection MCC. Pray for more
people to embrace the practice of percentage giving based on income. Pray that many will begin at 3%, then
over time grow to the Biblical spiritual practice of the 10% tithe and beyond.

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Worship

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Children & Youth Worship

Sunday, 11:00 am

Nursery

Sunday, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

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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.



Creating a Life that Matters...Creates a Church that Matters!

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 Sunday services, at 9 & 11 am, are identical in form, however they contain different elements from diverse religious traditions each week.

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!



My Key to Our Abundant Life: Presence. Prayer. Service. Gifts.

by Rev. Janice Ladd, Executive Pastor

You are key to our future! Every one of us brings something unique to the body of Christ which means, without your part, the body is incomplete. That is the purpose of this October's stewardship drive.

We have committed to four weeks of worship with an emphasis around the "key" to our abundant living. As each of us design our unique key of "presence," "prayer," "service," and "gifts" our lives, purpose, passion, and experiences will unite toward a common goal - to transform to Christ-like maturity.

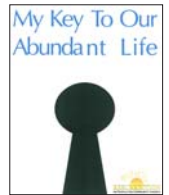
Each element of the unique key of our commitment card will open the doors to spiritual growth and transformational living. Our commitment to be present to one another is essential for relationship. Our individual and corporate prayers align us to God's will for our lives. Our joint efforts to service ensure we work together to meet the needs of the church and community. And finally, our financial gifts open the resources needed to accomplish our goals.

Last Sunday, at the Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, we voted on the budget which highlights our joint financial commitment for 2008. Our vote is a statement of faith that we will commit to meet this goal. For the remainder of 2007, based on last year's vote, we need \$16,031 in weekly tithes and offerings to keep Resurrection's ministries flourishing.

The chart below reveals the "key results" from our "gift" component of the commitment cards. The Board

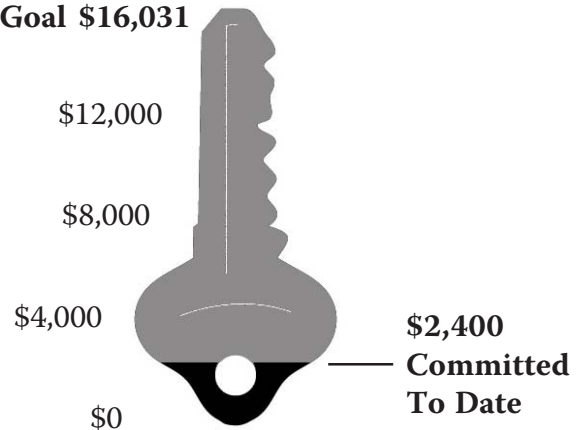
of Directors and Executive Team (full-time staff) submitted their commitment cards and have committed to over \$1,300 a week towards our goal. Over the last three weeks, others brought their commitment cards, and we have reached \$2,400 of our \$16,031 goal.

Today as part of our worship, you will have an opportunity to complete the commitment card, *My Key To Our Abundant Life*, included in your bulletin. This is a special time in the life of our faith community as we grow together in our commitments to create abundance in our lives, our church and in our community.



You are key to our future! Let's join our lives together and transform to Christ-like maturity.

Tithes & Offerings Weekly Goal \$16,031



VIP!

Volunteer Impact Party

Join us for Breakfast & Education
Everyone is Welcome!

Saturday, November 3
9 am - Noon, Gathering Place

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock will educate and train us as team leaders on the topic: *Effective Leadership*.

Our special guest speaker will motivate and encourage us to mobilize our ministries into even greater service over the next quarter.

For questions and to RSVP, please email
JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org

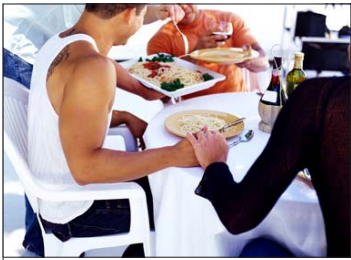


Holy Union Preparation Seminar

TODAY!
1 - 5 pm
Gathering Place
Lunch Served

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.



Singles Group Lunch

TODAY!

12:30 pm, Cadillac Bar (Shepherd & I-10)

If you would like to be included on our email list, notifying you of upcoming events for our singles, or have any questions, please email Brandon at Singles@ResurrectionMCC.org.



Parents Group

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

If you'd like to receive information about future events for Parents, email Parents@ResurrectionMCC.org

Interested in making a will or assigning powers of attorney, but aren't sure how to start? Or maybe you're interested in second parent adoption or have questions regarding custody litigation. If so, here's your chance to ask attorneys Connie Moore & Debra E. Hunt!



**November 29th
6:30 pm in The Gathering Place**

Moore & Hunt have been serving the Houston community since 1987. The firm focuses on matters involving second-parent adoptions, donor insemination & surrogacy, collaborative family law, contested custody litigation, wills, trusts, powers of attorney, advanced estate and disability planning, probate & trust litigation, and relationship dissolution.

YARNWEH

For the experienced or the "yarn curious"...

Come create and be a part of this fellowship building ministry!!!

If you have a need, let Yarnweh warm you...



Meetings are the first Sunday of the month and Fellowship will be the third Sunday - both in the Gathering Place.

Team Lead:
Charles Clark II
at 832-372-1280 or
email him: Yarnweh@ResurrectionMCC.org

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.

Gospel Ensemble

Tuesdays, 7 pm

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

Sanctuary Choir

Wednesdays, 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 this group, but the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody is.

Praise Dancers

Saturday Mornings

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.

Resurrection Singers

Thursdays, 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.

HeavenSound Handbells

Sundays, 1:30 pm

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

Resurrection Orchestra

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

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



Why Contemporary Readings?

This question has been brought up to me. I thought that some of you might be wondering why we are using readings other than scripture.

At Resurrection, we believe that God is still speaking. That speaking comes through many modern day prophets and priests as well. Some are published authors, some are preachers in other places and some may be sitting next to you in the pew.

This month, I have decided to focus on women writers for our contemporary readings. Our protestant Bible does not contain many writings from women. Basically, it only contains Esther and Ruth. The Catholic Bible has two more, Judith and a section from Susannah. Biblical times were of course engulfed in a patriarchal society. Women were property of fathers until they married. Then they were property of their husbands. Fortunately, the world has changed and can now hear from all God's people. I hope you enjoy these contemporary readings.

Blessings to you all,
Steven Couch
Director of Worship

Christian Education for ALL Ages!



Nursery (0 - 2 years)

Located in the front hallway outside Sanctuary.
Provided for all ages, during every service.

Sprouts Children's Worship (3 - 5 years)

Children leave during 11 am service, return for communion.
Activities Building Room #107

Faith Beginnings Children's Worship (6 - 12 years)

Children leave during 11 am service, return for communion.
Activities Building Room #108

Youth (13 - 18 years)

youthLife! Today, 12:30 pm
Activities Building

Adults (18+ years)

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For more information, please contact
Jason Wood, 832-971-0354 or
JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org



Aerobics

Sundays, 1 - 2 pm

Mondays & Wednesdays, 7:15 - 8:15 pm

Activities Building #212

\$25 per month

Register at *Inspirations*
Coffee Cafe & Gift Shop

For more information,
please contact Gregory Cooper
Aerobics@ResurrectionMCC.org

My Christmas Jar

by Jules Gauvin



"What's your dream? Everybody's got a dream." Okay, we all know those are a few lines from the movie "Pretty Woman." I may not have had a dream but I did have a vision one night regarding our church, and it went something like this:

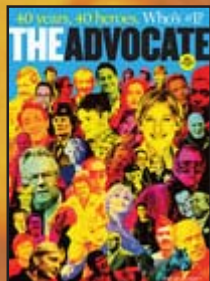
Back in December I read a book by Jason Wright called Christmas Jars and that night I saw, quite clearly I might add, our Christmas Eve Service. During a certain part of the evening I saw the lights go out, the candles flickering just so, and each parishioner walking down the aisle carrying a jar filled with coins and laying them on the steps at the front of the church.

You see in this book, there is a family that collects coins all year long and on Christmas Eve the family goes out and finds someone in need of that money and gives them the jar.

When I read the book, I saw the need here in our church, not outside it. We all have coins in our car sitting in a cup holder. You know you do. Perhaps you already have a jar started and it's just gathering dust. We all empty our pockets at the end of the day and throw our change somewhere. When I have a purchase for say \$2.01, I'll hand the clerk \$3.00. I won't give him/her a penny. Why you ask? Because I want that .99 cents in change! I want to add change every day to my Christmas Jar if at all possible.

How about putting that change in a Christmas Jar for the church? So what do you say? It isn't too late to start your jar.

Resurrection
Inspirations
Coffee Café & Gift Shop



Pick up your
FREE COPY of
The Advocate
40th Anniversary Issue!

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



yL[©]
youthLife
TODAY!
12:30 pm
Activities Building

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

youthLife meets the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month.

Now Training Volunteers!
 JWood@ResurrectionMCC.org



What can you do for our church?

October is Stewardship month, and while we are making commitments to serve, please consider assisting with the safety and security of our worship space.

Teams are forming so that we can have in-house security for our community of faith. If you are interested in this ministry please contact Karen Cruse at Security@ResurrectionMCC.org.

The Audio Visual Team

is seeking individuals who look good in headphones, no experience required. Training will be provided. Come join an important ministry of Resurrection.

November 11 at 12:45 pm
Workroom (Across from Nursery)

Contact Ken at 713-861-9149 x1111 or
 AudioVisual@ResurrectionMCC.org

Board Members on Duty

Jerry Reitz & Goldie Brown

Food Pantry Monthly Food Drive

3rd Sunday of each month

TODAY!

Welcome Area

**Forgot your donation?
 Cash is always welcome.**

**Needed: Canned Meats, Canned Vegetables,
 Canned Fruit, Canned Juice, Canned Soup,
 Pasta, Bagged Rice, Dry Beans**



What is a Sacristan?

Sacristans are the people that prepare the communion for us each Sunday morning at both services. Currently, we are seeking more people to service in this way.

If you are interested, please contact Steven Couch at SCouch@ResurrectionMCC.org or 713-861-9149 x109 at the church.

Communion Server

This is an important task. For many that visit our church, the only contact they have with another queer Christian is when they take communion on Sunday morning. If you have interest in serving in this capacity, please contact Steven Couch at SCouch@ResurrectionMCC.org or 713-861-9149 x109 at the church

Volunteer Receptionist

Shifts Available: 9 am - Noon & 1 pm - 5 pm

Responsibilities include answering phones & light data entry.

*Apply at the Concierge Desk,
 or contact Jason Wood at 832-971-0354.*

Flowers for the Sanctuary

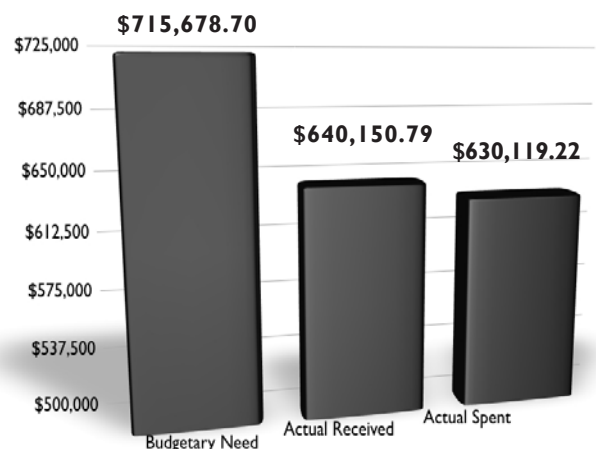
Thank you Resurrection, for putting your trust in me.

--Kecia Bullock

General Fund Financial Report

Week Ending October 21, 2007

Tithes & Offerings		Week	Year to Date
10/17/07	Mid-Week	12	\$121.00
10/21/07	9:00 am	139	\$3,152.00
10/21/07	11:00 am	309	\$6,019.49
	Special Services		\$75.37
	Gift of Love Campaign		
	Other Contributions		\$1,813.85
	Total	460	\$11,181.71
Other General Fund Income			
	Fundraising		\$25,027.15
	Miscellaneous		\$470.00
	Total Received		\$11,651.71
	Budgetary Need		\$17,759.63
	Total Surplus / (Deficit)		(\$6,107.92)



This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

DAILY: Pray from Noon - 1:00 pm

SUNDAY **OCTOBER 28**

- 9:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson**
 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*
 12:30 pm youthLife! *Activities Building*
 1:00 pm Holy Union Preparation Seminar *Gathering Place*
 1:30 pm HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal *Sanctuary*

MONDAY **OCTOBER 29**

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

TUESDAY **OCTOBER 30**

- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (Open) *Wellness Center*
 7:00 pm Timbergrove Neighborhood Association *Gathering Place*
 7:00 pm Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal *Chapel*

WEDNESDAY **OCTOBER 31**

- 6:30 pm Creating a Life That Matters *Gathering Place*
 6:30 pm Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal *Activities Bldg #202*
 7:00 pm Houston Pride Band Rehearsal *Activities Building*
 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary*

THURSDAY **NOVEMBER 1**

- 7:00 pm Resurrection Singers Rehearsal *Chapel*

FRIDAY **NOVEMBER 2**

- 6:00 pm EXCEL of the Armadillo Reunion *Gathering Place*

SATURDAY **NOVEMBER 3**

- 9:00 am VIP - Rev. Elder Lille Brock *Gathering Place*

SUNDAY **NOVEMBER 4**

- 9:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Elder Lille Brock**
 10:15 am Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry *Chapel*
11:00 am Sunday Worship / Rev. Elder Lille Brock
 11:15 am Children & Youth Worship Service *Activities Building*
 12:30 pm Yarnweh *Gathering Place*
 1:30 pm HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal *Sanctuary*