

Easter

April 12, 2009



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Metropolitan Community Church

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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

The Chalice: Spiritual Deepening

Wednesday, 6:30 pm

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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 our First-Time Families!

Our nursery staff would love to meet you and your infants & children aged 1-3 years! The nursery is located to the right of the Sanctuary entrance and is open during both the 9 am & 11 am services.

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

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.

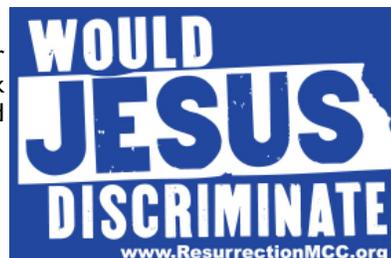
We believe in the saving grace of Jesus Christ and the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit.

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!



Opening Hymn

EASTER HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Let the Vic - tor's peo - ple sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!

Mor - tal tongues and an - gels say: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Dy - ing once, Christ lives to save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids Christ rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Made like Christ, like Christ we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing, glad heavens, and earth re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 God has o - pened par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

Invocation

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

First Reading*Acts 10:34-43*

Peter said to them, "I begin to see how true it is that God shows no partiality - rather, that any person of any nationality who honors God and does what is right is acceptable to God. This is the message God has sent to the people of Israel, the Good News of peace proclaimed through Jesus Christ, who is Savior of all.

"You yourselves know what took place throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee with the baptism John proclaimed. You know how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how Jesus went about doing good works and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, because God was with him. We are eyewitnesses to all that Jesus did in the countryside and in Jerusalem. Finally, Jesus was killed and hung on a tree, only to be raised by God on the third day. God allowed him to be seen, not by everyone, but only by the witnesses who had been chosen beforehand by God - that is, by us, who ate and drank with Christ after the resurrection from the dead. And Christ commissioned us to preach to the people and to bear witness that this is the one set apart by God as judge of the living and the dead. To Christ Jesus all the prophets testify, that everyone who believes has forgiveness of sins through this name."

Sung Response

**All: You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift your name on high**

+ Gospel Reading*Mark 16:1-8*

Tate Alexander

When the Sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought perfumed oils so that they could anoint Jesus. Very early, just after sunrise on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb.

They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked, they found that the huge stone had been rolled back.

On entering the tomb, they saw a young person sitting at the right, dressed in a white robe. They were very frightened, but the youth reassured them: "Do not be amazed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, the One who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. Now go and tell the disciples and Peter, 'Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee, where you will see him just as he told you.'"

They made their way out and fled from the tomb bewildered and trembling; but they said nothing to anyone, because they were so afraid.

AnthemGospel Ensemble &
Sanctuary Choir*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Words & Music by Issac Watts & Lowell Mason
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**We Hear
the Word**

Mark gives us a powerful account of God's good news by giving us these traumatized, determined women as witnesses to God's truth - it is not just pride or falsehood or arrogance or violent boasting that God redeems. It is also the nether regions of life where we are broken by violence and by love and by the sheer exhaustion of the labor it takes to go on. Here, where we expect to find Jesus dead, the tomb does not hold him, as well. And with often unspoken force, grace abounds.

~ Serene Jones,
Feasting on the Word
(Year B), 356

Spiritual Encouragement

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Christ Lives

Making Ministry Happen

Rite of New Members

Jason Wood
Rev. Janice Ladd
Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini
Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Offertory

Gospel Ensemble &
Sanctuary Choir

Easter

Rise, heart! thy Lord is risen. Sing His praise Without delays,
Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise with Him may'st rise:
That, as His death calcinèd thee to dust,
His life may make thee gold, and much more just.

Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part With all thy art.
The cross taught all wood to resound His name Who bore the same.
His stretchèd sinews taught all strings what key
Is best to celebrate this most high day.

Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song Pleasant and long:
Or, since all music is but three parts vied And multiplied,
Oh, let Thy blessed Spirit bear a part,
And make up our defects with His sweet art.

I got me flowers to strew Thy way,
I got me boughs off many a tree,
But Thou wast up by break of day,
And brought'st Thy sweets along with Thee

The sun arising in the East,
Though he give light and th'East perfume,
If they should offer to contest
With Thy arising, they presume

Can there be any day but this,
Though many suns to shine endeavour?
We count three hundred, but we miss:
There is but one, and that one ever.

Music by John Leavitt. Lyrics by George Herbert
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Communion

Karla Johnson
Trey Dreher
Brandon Jolley-Samples

Introduction to Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Invitation to the Feast

We Listen

John Leavitt is a composer, conductor, teacher, and church musician, whose music continues to captivate listeners and musicians of all ages.

George Herbert was a Welsh poet, orator and priest. All of Herbert's English surviving poems are religious, and some have been used as hymns. They are characterized by directness of expression and some concepts which can appear quaint. Many of the poems have intricate rhyme schemes, and variations of lines within stanzas.

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, friend or member, may receive. Simply come forward as the ushers direct.

We use grape juice for the cup. If you desire intercessory prayer, our Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry team is available following both services to pray with you.

We Sing

We sing as a body during the distribution of the elements. If you do not wish to sing, please be in an attitude of prayer for those who wish to meditate during this time.

Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.

Communion Songs

I Can Only Imagine

I can only imagine what it will be like when I walk by your side
I can only imagine what my eyes will see when your face is before me
I can only imagine

Surrounded by Your glory, what will my heart feel
Will I dance for you Jesus or in awe of you be still
Will I stand in your presence or to my knees will I fall
Will I sing hallelujah, will I be able to speak at all
I can only imagine

I can only imagine when that day comes and I find myself standing in the Son
I can only imagine when all I will do is forever, forever worship you
I can only imagine

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift your name on high. Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life. I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave from the grave to the sky
Lord, I lift your name on high

Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you,
All of my days, I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love;
My Comfort, my Shelter, Tower of refuge and strength;
Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
Power and majesty, praises we bring,
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands, forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, How great thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Karla Johnson

Thanksgiving Response

Gospel Ensemble &
Sanctuary Choir

Hallelujah from "Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration"

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+ **Benediction**

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

+ **Postlude**

Joel Hammett

The Chalice

*opening...receiving...offering
Life in Fullness*

WEDNESDAYS

*The Promise of the Cup:
Seeking the Presence of God
we become that which we seek.*

Community Meal

6:00 - 6:30 pm | Activities Building
simple supper, open to all

Spiritual Deepening

6:30 - 7:00 pm | Sanctuary
*new & ancient practices of prayer,
meditation & worship*

Life Development Offerings

7:00 - 8:30 pm
*three classes, many paths . . .
where will you journey?*

A Sip from The Chalice

Spiritual Deepening Practice

Let God be glorified in you, through you, and all around you today: as best you are able, commit to silently blessing each person you look upon today. Yes, each person. No matter whether you know or do not know them . . . whether you like or dislike them . . . whether you engage one another or simply pass by: as best you are able, commit to silently blessing each person you look upon today. Simply let the words "Bless you" or "Christ be with you" or "Namaste" or "Peace" come immediately to your mind as you look upon each person you see today. It takes a fraction of a second. At the end of your day, reflect upon what it felt like to make the simple choice to actively participate in the extravagant, indiscriminate, profoundly gracious blessing of God.

Offering One

Open to All

THE OPEN DOOR

APRIL 15 | SANCTUARY

Jesus lived with the awareness that God is doing something, right here, right now, and anybody can be a part of it. Wherever he went, whatever he did, Jesus started discussions about what matters most, because for Jesus, God is always inviting us to open our eyes and join in...

The Open Door Discussion Series

A facilitated open discussion using the short NOOMA films as a jumping-off place for personal reflection and shared engagement with our journeys of faith.

The Open Door - Shells (April 15)

Do you often find yourself saying, "I'm so busy" or "I just have so much to do"? It's easy to get overwhelmed with appointments, gatherings, to-do lists. But what are we really doing with our time? Many of us are running from place to place and it seems like life is just passing us by. We're doing so many things, a little bit of everything, and yet it doesn't feel like much of a life. But most of us find it hard to say no. We feel obligated. There are so many good things to do. So many good causes to join. But while we're busy doing all these good things, are we missing out on something great? Maybe saying no would be easier if we knew what it meant to say yes.

Offering Two

Open to All

THE WORK OF LOVE: GOD, SCRIPTURE & HOMOSEXUALITY

APRIL 15, 22 & 29 | MUSIC ROOM

We are looking for love in all the RIGHT places! Join us as together we will read the Bible in companionship with the Holy Spirit so that ALL God's children might know and proclaim God's presence in our lives and God's love for ALL of us!

Offering Three

Open to All

DISCOVERING MY MINISTRY - SPIRITUAL GIFTS

APRIL 15, 22 & 29 | CHAPEL

As the body of Christ, the church functions, "...as each part does its work." (Ephesians 4:16b)

As a community we are interrelated and interdependent. Finding our part in the body comes from discovering and utilizing our spiritual gifts.

Jason will facilitate this class to help each person discover and develop their spiritual gifts; place members in a meaningful ministry that best suits their unique gifts and abilities; and stimulate creativity in gifted people for developing new ministries. Join us as we find our unique fit in the body of Christ and build up our community.

This class, offered quarterly, will change your life! If you would like to RSVP or find out more information about this offering e-mail me at Jason@ResurrectionMCC.org.

In Christ's Love,
Jason Wood, Director of Connections
Jason@ResurrectionMCC.org
713-861-9149 x105

Get Connected to a First Impressions Ministry

Stop by the Gathering Place after services and find out more about exciting volunteer opportunities!

Concierge Desk

Eliot Perez

Concierge@ResurrectionMCC.org

Do you like to help people feel welcome and included?

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! This desk helps welcome new friends, provide them with a free gift, and help them get connected.

Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Gift Shop

Dawn Ashbrook

Inspirations@ResurrectionMCC.org

Looking for new friendly faces and volunteers for this ministry! Provide outstanding customer service in an atmosphere of fellowship for people to make connections.

Second Family Care Partners

Kristia Ammerman

SecondFamily@ResurrectionMCC.org

This care team acts as extended family and friends, offering emotional, practical, and spiritual support. Meets for lunch 1st Sun. at 12:30 pm.

Ushers

Dave Mathis

Ushers@ResurrectionMCC.org

We need ushers for 9 & 11 am Sunday Worship Services. Teams serve one service (either 9 or 11 am) each month. Remember, "No one is *JUST* an usher."

Welcome Team

Jason Sowders

Welcome@ResurrectionMCC.org

Do you like helping people feel special and welcome the moment they arrive to the church?

We want to welcome people to the church and help them get to where they need to go. Team members are positioned at every door and sidewalk, greeting people with a smile and kind word, offering directions or answering questions.

If you have questions or would like to join any of these teams, email the team lead (listed above) or contact Jason Wood at Jason@ResurrectionMCC.org or 832-971-0354.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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

Tuesdays • 7 pm

This group sings mostly traditional church choral music with some contemporary music added from time to time. Reading music is not required for this group, but the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody is.

RESURRECTION SINGERS

Mondays • 6:30 pm

This is our newest group. Reading music would be very helpful and being comfortable on a separate microphone.

ANGELS IN MOTION

Second & Fourth Saturdays • 1 pm

This group is a dance troupe that ministers through dance and movement. This group has its own choreographers. Experience in dance is not necessary, if one has the willingness to learn.

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 Worship@ResurrectionMCC.org

Easter Lilies Available

After our 11 am service today, please feel free to take one or several of the beautiful potted lilies from our Chancel. We simply ask that you consider making a donation in *Inspirations* to cover the cost.

If you would like to dedicate the lily, please complete a form in *Inspirations* with your short memorial message. Next Sunday we will publish the dedication in the bulletin.

DRUMMING CIRCLE

Saturday, May 2, 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Gathering Place

The drumming circle is open to ALL, and requires no prior experience with drumming. Join us! For more information, contact Denise Junious, DrummingCircle@ResurrectionMCC.org.

Drumming Circle is hosted monthly on the first Saturday.

Equality Ministry Meeting

Sunday, April 19, 12:30 pm

Activities Building #108

Join us for lunch as we discuss our upcoming projects.

*Questions or to Sign up:
Equality@ResurrectionMCC.org*

Holy Union Preparation Seminar

Sunday, May 10
12:45 - 3 pm
Act. Bldg #104



Are you and your partner thinking about having a Holy Union?

Designed to help couples discuss relationship matters while keeping Christ in the center of their relationship, this seminar is the recommended first step to having a Holy Union performed by Resurrection clergy.

To register, email Jason@ResurrectionMCC.org



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DON'T BE LATE... for this very important date!



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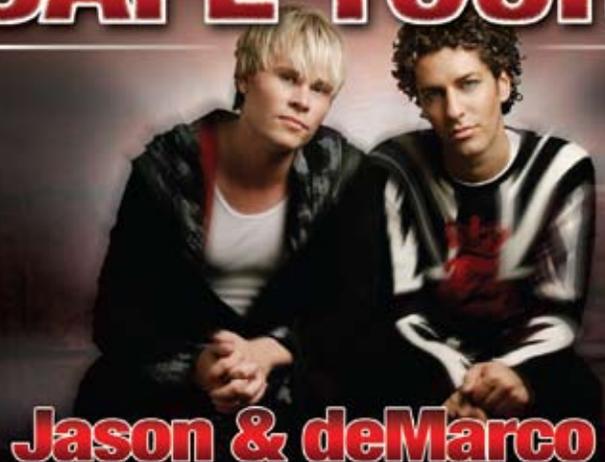


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SAFE TOUR



Jason & deMarco

Saturday, April 25 • 6:00 pm

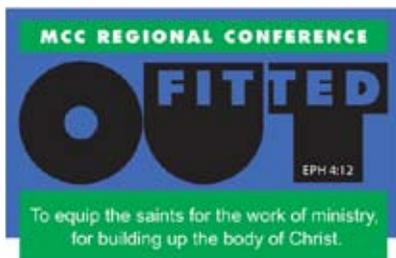
FREE CONCERT

Resurrection
Metropolitan Community Church

Resurrection MCC
proudly hosts the

Region 6 Cluster Conference

April 24 - 26



This gathering includes Central Texas MCC from the Heart (Waco), MCC Austin at Freedom Oaks, MCC of Corpus Christi, MCC San Antonio, and Resurrection MCC.

Business includes the election of a Regional Elder and a vote on the two candidates for Moderator. Info at www.ResurrectionMCC.org

Cluster? What is that?

by Kedric J. Brown

Hello to all of you my fellow saints of Resurrection MCC! I am excited about what we are getting ready to do here at our church on April 24 - 26, 2009! I am sure that you have heard by now about the "Cluster Conference" that we are hosting. If you haven't heard it before now...then you just have.

This conference will be a chance learn more about ourselves spiritually, and to learn about our other sibling churches in our Region. Many of them will be attending the conference as members of their respective churches and as Lay Delegates. As Lay Delegates, we will be voting on our new Elder for the Region in our business meeting. Everyone is invited to attend the business meeting; however, only the Lay Delegates and Clergy are allowed to vote for the new elder of the region. They are called the "Lay House" and the "Clergy House." You may be thinking, "why can't I vote?" Well, each Lay Delegate from the churches in our region represents 100 members of the church. We have approximately 600 members so we have 6 Lay Delegates - the largest church in the Region! Your vote will count! Also at the conference, there is a plenary session. Open to all conference attendees, you will learn about the candidates that are running for the elder position and learn how be better stewards for Christ through an open panel discussion. There will also be uplifting workshops, inspirational morning and evening services and munchie/mingle time. If you have not registered yet, it's not too late!! Just go to www.ResurrectionMCC.org. I look forward to seeing you there!!!

Be A Miracle!

by Joel Palomares
Youth Ministries Program Coordinator

Did you know? We have had about 100 students who have visited and registered with our Children's Church in the Activities Building in the past year! Each week children ages 4-12 are invited to learn more about themselves, God, and our world in fun and meaningful ways. Our Resurrection families are continuing to grow!

Our Activities Building, once a dusty storage unit, is being converted into a thriving center with kid-friendly classrooms and a useful work area for volunteer teachers!

We currently have several loving and faithful volunteers who share one weekend a month with God, one another, and our kids in service by guiding our most precious community gifts ... our children!

As exciting and wonderful as our "Youth Ministries Program" has become, we still struggle each Season of Service to keep our program going due to lack of volunteer support. For our Spring Season of Service training day, we only had four people from our church body of over 600 members attend. Our children deserve to be cared for as God would have us! If you possess the ability to love our children, join the Youth Ministries Program team today. Let me, your fellow team members and God help to provide you with all you need to journey with our children once a month. Contact Joel Palomares at Joel@ResurrectionMCC.org if you will be a miracle today. Let's love our children!

Why Become a Legacy Giver?



- To stimulate our worship experience through audio/visual enhancements.
- To forge new friendships through a revitalized, enlarged Welcome Center.
- To design a space that will transform lives by converting the Activities Building into the Life Development Center.
- To create committed leaders for tomorrow through expanded children and youth programs.
- To inspire adults to vitality and wholeness through increased education, wellness, community involvement, and spiritual growth opportunities.
- To reach millions with the *Would Jesus Discriminate?* billboard and marketing campaign.
- To impact the lives of those oppressed through further partnerships with organizations focused on social justice.
- To create financial health and long-term stability through increased payments on our debt.

**Commitment cards may be picked up at
The Concierge Desk and Sanctuary entrances.
Please return in offering basket or by mail.**



Mr. Prime Choice Texas 2009 Contest



April 25, 2009

9:00 PM

**Masters of Ceremony:
Steve Carbone &
Laur van Valkenburg**



For more information & an application
see below or visit
The Ripcord or Black Hawk Leather



Our Food Pantry is a Beneficiary of this Event

Stewardship Thought for the Week

No peace is thinkable as long as the world remains divided into two groups: those who give and those who receive. Real human dignity is found in giving as well as receiving. This is true not only for individuals but for nations, cultures, and religious communities as well.

~ Henri Nouwen, *Bread for the Journey*, 128

Board Members on Duty

Mary Wagner & Vicki Hopper

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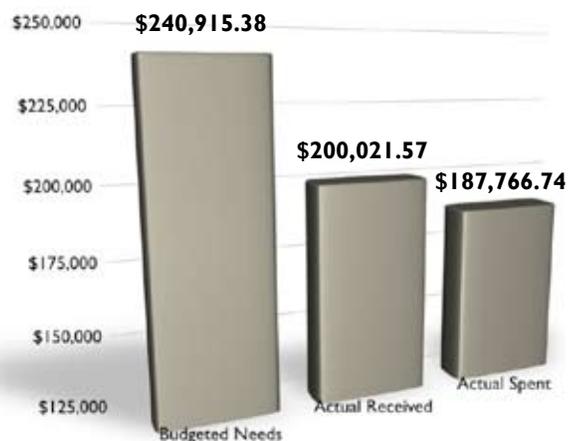
Flowers in the Sanctuary

*In celebration of Easter
and the Christening of Cooper & Kennedy Ladd.*
-- Janetta Ross & Debbie Skelly

General Fund Financial Report

Week Ending April 5, 2009

		Week	Year
<i>Tithes & Offerings</i>			
4/5/09	9:00 am	148	\$2,507.25
4/5/09	11:00 am	423	\$10,003.15
4/1/09	6:30 pm	22	\$137.70
	Special Services		\$1,901.27
	Online Giving		\$790.00
	Other Contributions		\$2,015.00
	Total	593	\$15,453.10
<i>Other General Fund Income</i>			
	Fundraising		\$1,185.48
	Miscellaneous		\$5,495.01
	Total Received		\$200,021.57
	Budgeted Need		\$17,653.85
	Total Surplus / (Deficit)		(\$2,200.75) (\$40,893.81)
Total Imagine Capital Campaign		\$3,281.00	\$33,649.68



This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY APRIL 12

9:00 am	Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson	
10:15 am	Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson	
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Music Room

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED APRIL 13

6:30 pm	Resurrection Singers Rehearsal	Music Room
6:45 pm	Pride Band - Small Group Rehearsal	Chapel

TUESDAY APRIL 14

7:00 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Chapel

WEDNESDAY APRIL 15

6:00 pm	The Chalice: Community Meal	Activities Building
6:30 pm	The Chalice: Spiritual Deepening	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Open Door (Open)	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Work of Love (Open)	Music Room
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Spiritual Gifts (Open)	Chapel
7:00 pm	Houston Pride Band Rehearsal	Activities Building

THURSDAY APRIL 16

7:00 pm	Imagine Campaign Meeting	Gathering Place
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FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED APRIL 17

No Events Scheduled.

SATURDAY APRIL 18

1:00 pm	Angels in Motion	Sanctuary
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SUNDAY APRIL 19

9:00 am	Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson	
10:15 am	Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Sunday Worship / Rev. Dwayne Johnson	
12:30 pm	Equality Ministry Meeting	Activities Building #108
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Music Room

Eternal Life Celebrations

04/01/97	Harold Hees Jr.	04/16/08	Chris Manuel
04/01/03	Deene Webster	04/16/87	Scott Cutsinger
04/03/99	Roy King	04/18/93	Tim Cherry
04/05/02	Thomas Coronado	04/20/93	Don Davis
04/05/03	Larry Butler	04/23/90	Richard Flory
04/07/95	Jimi Carriola	04/24/93	George Adams
04/07/97	Jerrie Sasquitch	04/24/88	Hylton Rusty Irion
04/10/87	Fred Kelly	04/27/00	Roxane Pledger
04/11/94	Julian L. "Jay" Lein	04/28/83	Dorothy Murphy
04/14/02	Lee Tony Martin	04/28/88	Mark Watts

Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry

Fisher's Net offers personal prayers on Sundays from 10:15 - 10:45 am in the Chapel, and at the Altar after the 11:00 am Worship Service. Please email your prayer request or praise report to FishersNet@ResurrectionMCC.org

April Birthdays

Rev. Bernie Barbour	1	Michael Beck	11
Anthony Gurley	1	Linda Keller	11
Trisha Beissel	2	Diane Martel	12
Justin Johnson	2	Lynne Bennett	13
Angela Riggs	2	Olie Buxton	13
Mackenzie Beissel-Chandler	3	Howard Maggard	13
Pricilla Miranda	3	Bill Fesperman	14
Benjamin Hanson	4	Travis Payne	14
Gwendolyn Young	4	Randall Brite	15
Shirley Bristow	5	Leshia Adams	16
Michael Fernandez	5	Carrie Austgen	16
Clarence Lenear	5	Sadie Hood	16
Tristan Longoria	5	Marty Williams	16
Christina Swenson	5	Lin Travis	17
Nancy Dute	6	Gerald Malone	18
Angela Green	6	David Robison	18
Adriana Smith	6	Rev. Tracye Ruffin	18
Richard Bielec-Evers	7	Anthony White	18
Marsha Bourke	7	Dennis Donovan	19
Linda Griffin	7	Susan McIntosh	19
Joseph McDonough	7	David Pettitt	19
Carol Montgomery	7	Owen Walker	19
Judy Riley	7	Jose De La Fuente	20
Bob Robertson	7	Brendon Boehme	22
Lynda Ventura	7	Alan Roach	22
Dawn Ashbrook	8	Clifford Verdine	23
Jefferson Ennis Jr.	8	Robert Howells	24
Ana Tarver	8	Tracy Schulz	25
Steven Garland	9	Richard McLeod	26
Elizabeth Hausler	9	Chuck Norton	26
Shavailya Long	9	Beverly Barkalow	27
Paul Rutledge	9	Anne Goetsch	27
David Tanner	9	Charise Meriwether	29
Bruce Turner	9	Charlie Raynor	29
Leslie Galligan	10	Jimmy Reyes	29
Tena Oates	10	Katrina Burson	30
Cyndie Orton	10	Suzanne Gomez	30
Jerry Shelton	10	Sutton Rogers	30
Nichelle Staes	10	Robert Witkowski	30
Tate Alexander	11		

If your birthday falls within this time period and is not listed here, please contact Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org or 713-861-9149 x106.