

# Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

July 10, 2011

## Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini, Rev. Michael Diaz

### Prelude / Preludio

Joel Hammett

#### *Guide Me, Oh Thou Great Redeemer*

arr. Carlson

### + Invocation / Invocación

Cassandra White

### + Hymn / Himno

#### *Joyful, Joyful*

1 Joy-ful, joy-ful, we a-dore you, God of glo-ry, God of love;  
2 All your works with joy sur-round you, earth and heaven re-lect your rays,  
3 You are giv-ing and for-giv-ing, ev-er bless-ing, ev-er blessed,  
4 Mor-tals, join the might-y cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan;

Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore you, open-ing to the sun a-bove.  
Stars and an-gels sing a-round you, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.  
Well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o-cean depth of hap-py rest!  
Bound-less love is reign-ing o'er us, re-con-cil-ing race and clan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, drive the storms of doubt a-way;  
Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,  
Lov-ing Spir-it, Fa-ther, Moth-er, all who love be-long to you;  
Ev-er sing-ing, move we for-ward, faith-ful in the midst of strife,

Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.  
Chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, teach us what our praise should be.  
Teach us how to love each oth-er, by that love our joy re-new.  
Joy-ful mu-sic leads us on-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

## We Gather

From many places we gather here. This is a high point of our week. We see our friends. We make new friends. And we spend time with The Friend -- the loving Christ who meets us where we are, as we are. In this Sanctuary we worship, and through worship the courage within us is kindled to inspire courageous living beyond this place.

## Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

is a poem written by Henry van Dyke in 1907 with the intention of musically setting it to the famous "Ode to Joy" melody of the final movement of Ludwig van Beethoven's final symphony, Symphony No. 9.

## First Reading

In her book "One Day My Soul Just Opened Up," Iyanla Vanzant suggests being open to options while learning patience. "The greatest challenge to the development of patience is being able to wait for the tangible evidence that your efforts are paying off. We have a fixed idea of what we want and what it will look like when it shows up. We hold that idea so firmly that often we are unable to detect that the very thing we want has actually arrived."

## About the Author

Iyanla Vanzant is an ordained minister, an internationally recognized spiritual teacher, and a best-selling author.

## Response

Gospel singer Steve Green began in the gospel industry during the mid-'70s, singing backup vocals and playing bass with Sandi Patti, White Heart and the Gaither Vocal Band. By the early '80s, he had gained a solo contract with Sparrow Records, and his self-titled debut album appeared in 1984. He averaged more than one album per year during the next dozen, with Spanish-language recordings (1987's *Tienen Que Saber*) and Christmas albums (1987's *Joy to the World!* and 1996's *First Noel*) in addition to his usual repertoire.

## First Reading / Primera Lectura

Janet Gelhausen (9 am)  
Sharri McGlaughting (11 am)

### A Contemporary Reading from *One Day My Soul Just Opened Up* by Iyanla Vanzant

One day my soul just opened up  
There were revelations, annihilations, and resolutions  
of feelings of doubt and betrayal, vengeance and forgiveness  
memories of things I'd seen and done before  
of places I'd been, although I didn't know when  
there were lives I'd lived  
people I'd loved  
battles I'd fought  
victories I'd won  
and wars I'd lost.  
One day, my soul just opened up  
and out poured all the things  
I'd been hiding  
and denying  
and living through  
that happened moments before.  
One day, my soul just opened up  
and I decided  
I was good and ready!  
I was good and ready  
to surrender  
my life  
to God.  
So, with my soul wide open,  
I sat down  
wrote Her a note  
and told her so.

## Response / Respuesta

*God who began a good work in you,  
God who began a good work in you  
Will be faithful to complete it,  
Will be faithful to complete it;  
God who started the work will be faithful to complete it in you.*

## + Second Reading / Segunda Lectura

Joel Palomares (9 am)  
Marion Kirby (11 am)

### *Numbers 13:17 – 14:3*

When Moses sent them off to scout out Canaan, he said, "Go up through the Negev and then into the hill country. Look the land over, see what it is like. Assess the people: Are they strong or weak? Are there few or many? Observe the land: Is it pleasant or harsh? Describe the towns where they live: Are they open camps or fortified with walls? And the soil: Is it fertile or barren? Are there forests? And try to bring back a sample of the produce that grows there—this is the season for the first ripe grapes."

With that they were on their way. They scouted out the land from the Wilderness of Zin to the town of Hebron. When they arrived at the Eshcol Valley they cut off a branch with a single cluster of grapes—it took two men to carry it—slung on a pole. They also picked some pomegranates and figs. They named the place Eshcol Valley (Grape-Cluster-Valley) because of the huge cluster of grapes they had cut down there. After forty days of scouting out the land, they returned home. They presented themselves before Moses and Aaron and the whole congregation of the People of Israel in the Wilderness. They reported to the whole congregation and showed them the fruit of the land. Then they told the story of their trip: "We went to the land to which you sent

us and, oh! It does flow with milk and honey! Just look at this fruit! The only thing is that the people who live there are fierce, their cities are huge and well fortified. Worse yet, we saw descendants of the giant Anak. Caleb interrupted, called for silence before Moses and said, "Let's go up and take the land—now. We can do it."

But the others said, "We can't attack those people; they're way stronger than we are." They spread scary rumors among the People of Israel. They said, "We scouted out the land from one end to the other—it's a land that swallows people whole. Everybody we saw was huge. Why, we even saw the Nephilim giants. Alongside them we felt like grasshoppers. And they looked down on us as if we were grasshoppers."

The whole community was in an uproar, wailing all night long. All the People of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The entire community was in on it: "Why didn't we die in Egypt? Or in this wilderness? Why has God brought us to this country to kill us? Our wives and children are about to become plunder. Why don't we just head back to Egypt? And right now!"

**Musical Selection / Selección Musical**

HeavenSound Handbells  
with Sanctuary Choir

*Come What May, It is Well With My Soul*

Lyrics by Baerwald, Bliss. Arr Winslett

**Spiritual Encouragement / Sermón**

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock

*Defining Moments*

**Offering / Ofrenda: Rediscovering Relationship with my Self**

DeJuana Jernigan

**Offertory / Ofertorio**

Sanctuary Choir

*A Time for Everything*

by Mark Hayes

**+ Offertory Prayer / Oración de Ofertorio**

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini



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 / Comunión**

Rev. Michael Diaz

**Musical Selection**

"It Is Well With My Soul" has long been a hymn of comfort in uncertain times, offering the assurance that God is at the helm of our lives, whether the seas be calm or stormy. "Come What May" is a contemporary song from the film "Moulin Rouge" that gave the lead characters comfort during uncertain times with the message that love will prevail even when life goes from lofty heights to the depths of despair. As you listen to the two songs interwoven in this arrangement, remember that God always wants the best for us and will lead us through the storm... come what may.

**We Receive**

All congregations in MCC practice an open communion. During Communion you will be offered bread and cup with a brief blessing.

We use grape juice for the cup so that all may participate. Gluten-free wafers are available from the communion server on the far right. Simply say, "Gluten free."

Todas las congregaciones de ICM (Iglesias de las Comunidades Metropolitana) practican una comunión abierta. Creemos en el amor de Dios incondicional para todas las personas.

Si deseas tomar la comunión en español, por favor dirígete hacia al ministro de comunión localizado hacia la izquierda y pídele, "En español, por favor."

## 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.

God, open us to your living presence through your life at this table.

Receive the living sacrifice of our awakened life.

## Prayer

If you are in need of prayer support, you can find prayer partners available during our time of communion or after worship in the right wing of the Sanctuary.

## Communion Songs / Cantos de Comuni3n

### *I Love You, Lord*

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice  
To worship you. O my soul rejoice!  
Take joy, my God, in what you hear:  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

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### *Make Us One*

Make us one, Lord, make us one,  
Holy Spirit, make us one.  
Let your love flow so the world will know  
We are one in you.

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### *You Are My All in All*

You are my strength when I am weak,  
You are the treasure that I seek, you are my all in all.  
Seeking you as a precious jewel,  
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my all in all.

*Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.*

You are my strength when I am weak,  
You are the treasure that I seek, you are my all in all.  
When I fall down, you pick me up;  
When I am dry, you fill my cup. You are my all in all! (Chorus)

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### *I Stand in Awe*

You are beautiful beyond description, too marvelous for words.  
Too wonderful for comprehension, like nothing ever seen or heard;  
Who can grasp your infinite wisdom? Who can fathom the depth of your love?  
You are beautiful beyond description majesty enthroned above!

*And I stand, I stand in awe of you. I stand, I stand in awe of you.  
Holy God to whom all praise is due, I stand in awe of you*

No one ever dared to touch my sickness, my broken heart as well;  
I cried out in the heat of anger, my rage became a burning hell.  
Then the coolness of your Spirit bathed my mind and gave me control;  
You are beautiful beyond description Loving One, you've made me whole!  
(Chorus)

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### + **Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acci3n de Gracias**

Rev. Michael Diaz

*And I stand, I stand in awe of you. I stand, I stand in awe of you.  
Holy God to whom all praise is due, I stand in awe of you!*

### + **Benediction / Bendici3n**

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock

### **Postlude**

Fernando Ortega (CD)

### *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

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**Worship** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

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

**Nursery** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

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# Welcome!

If you are attending Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church for the first time, we are glad to have you here! We invite you to join us each week as we worship God and learn more about Christian living in an inclusive way. All are welcome.

**Make sure to visit the Concierge Desk, located in our Welcome Area, to receive a gift from us. You will find friendly volunteer hosts waiting to greet you.**

## Worship Services

Resurrection MCC is proud to offer a variety in our worship services. Our two Sunday services, at 9 & 11 am, are identical in form, however they contain different elements from diverse religious traditions each week.

## A Special Welcome to First-Time Families!

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

Children and youth aged 4 - 17 years are invited to join our Youth Ministries Program during the 11 am service in the Activities Building (located across the breezeway from our main parking lot). Sign-in begins at 10:45 am. All children must be registered and signed-in to attend. Parents are welcome to join the children for Communion at Noon in the Activities Building. Snack & sign-outs begin at 12:15 pm.

## About Us...

Resurrection MCC is a Christian church that follows God's call to justice for all people. We build on a rich history of social justice for, and on behalf of, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people. Since its founding in 1968, Metropolitan Community Churches have been at the vanguard of civil and human rights movements as an international advocate for vulnerable people in places where religious orthodoxy, sexism, transphobia and homophobia can result in violence and death. MCC has been on the forefront in the struggle towards marriage equality in the US and other countries worldwide and continues to be a powerful voice in the LGBTQ equality movement. MCC's ministry reaches over 43,000 members in over 250 churches in 22 countries worldwide.

Metropolitan Community Churches are on a bold mission to transform hearts, lives, and history. We are a movement that faithfully proclaims God's inclusive love for all people and proudly bears witness to the holy integration of spirituality and sexuality. Because of our faith we are called to: do justice, show kindness, and live humbly with God (Micah 6:8); explore life's questions with open hearts and minds; raise our voices in sacred defiance against exclusion, whether religious, political or systemic; reach out to those with no hope; equip new generations of remarkable, far-reaching spiritual activists.

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

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

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

## Core Values

### Inclusion

Love is our greatest moral value and resisting exclusion is a primary focus of our ministry. We want to continue to be the conduits of a faith where everyone is included in the family of God, and where all parts of our being are welcomed at God's table.

### Community

Offering a safe and open community for people to worship, learn and grow in their faith is our deep desire. We are committed to equipping ourselves and each other to do the work that God has called us to do in the world.

### Spiritual Transformation

Providing a message of liberation from the oppressive religious environment of our day or to those experiencing God for the first time is what guides our ministry. We believe that when people are invited to experience God through the life and ministry of Christ, lives will be transformed.

### Social Action

Working to talk less and do more, we are committed to resisting the structures that oppress people and standing with to those who suffer under the weight of oppressive systems, being guided always by our commitment to Global Human Rights.

# The Chalice

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

## Where Will You Journey?

### COMMUNITY GATHERING

6:00 - 7:00 pm | Gathering Place

### LIFE DEVELOPMENT OFFERING

7:00 - 9:00 pm | Gathering Place



## WHEN CRAP HAPPENS: PASTORAL CARE BASICS

**JULY 6 | JULY 13 | JULY 20**

Wednesdays | 7 PM  
Gathering Place

How do we respond when life challenges show up unexpectedly, when a loved one dies, or when people around us are in need of comfort? The present course will provide an introduction to the practice of pastoral care. This course is being offered for individuals already involved in the ministry of pastoral care and those who are interested in doing pastoral care in the context of visitation ministry. This course is also being offered for individuals who are interested in learning skills and tools to help in one's daily life, such as offering peer support to friends and family members who are experiencing difficult life situations. For more information, email [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)

### Fishers Net Prayer Ministry



## A Dialogue With God

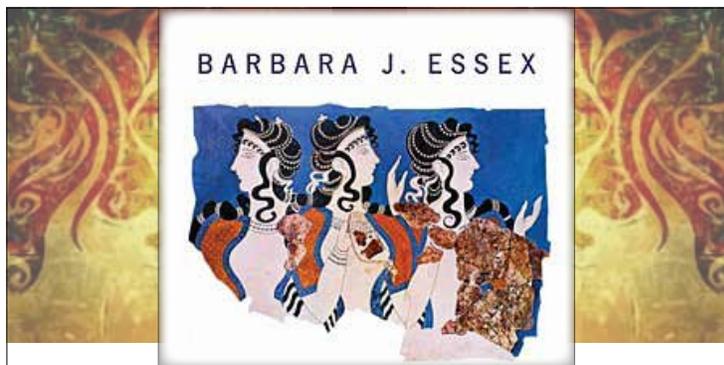
by Ron Reeser

When things are too easy, does God get pushed out of the way? This question comes from two directions. First, it seems that when I am on vacation, my prayer life gets all mixed up and out of focus. Of course, this is partly because my routine is nonexistent and maybe because I am more relaxed and focused on relaxing even more. The second direction comes from a quote in the book, *Friendship at the Margins*, where the author discusses people who are experiencing complete trauma, poverty and exploitation. "They live with gratitude and hope. From their poverty they practice abundant generosity, giving freely and with joy." This statement is so very contrary to most of our culture. With all our vacations and the abundance in social and financial substance, are we still full of gratitude and hope for a better tomorrow, or do we rest on our laurels and complain of the lack we feel we have?

Dear Mother, Father, Creator God, thank you for the riches I have. Thank you for the riches I have, yet cannot see. Open my heart to your goodness, grace, and especially, your love. Help me, oh Lord, to reach out away from myself and help others in need. Help me to continue to pray, no matter my situation. Giving thanks for abundance and continually praising your name, in your many names I pray. Amen.

Do you have a prayer request? Send your requests to [Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org). Requests are immediately prayed over by the Fishers Net Prayer Team. If you would like to join the Fishers Net Prayer Family (become a team member) or the Fishers Net Extended Prayer Family (join our email list), please contact us at [Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org) and one of our team members will then contact you.

*Growing stronger in Christ and realizing our Prayers together.  
~ Fishers Net Prayer Ministry ~*



## Souljourners

SUNDAYS

9:30 – 10:30 am

Activities Building

Facilitated by Rev. Mona, the group will discuss "Bad Girls of the Bible: Exploring Women of Questionable Virtue" by Barbara J. Essex.



June 26, 2011

Dear Members and Friends of Resurrection  
Metropolitan Community Church,

With heavy hearts, the Board of Directors received Rev. Harry Knox's letter of resignation dated June 23, 2011. Rev. Harry communicated that he was grateful for the opportunity to minister as Senior Pastor and thought his time with Resurrection MCC was a defining moment in his spiritual life.

Yet, after much prayer and discernment, he does not believe that this is the best fit. Rev. Harry leaves us with these words: "I resign out of love for this congregation, for the Metropolitan Community Churches, and for the God we serve. You are my sisters and brothers in Christ, and you will remain in my prayers until I go home to meet our Savior."

Let us give thanks and praise to our God for bringing us Rev. Harry. He brought with him a deep conviction for God's unconditional love for all and led this congregation with his compassionate voice of justice. His ministry will remain in our soul for years to come. We join our hearts and our prayers and release him for the next adventure of God's calling.

We also ask for your prayers as the Board considers the next steps regarding our future. Our faith informs our bold belief in God's great love and care of Resurrection MCC and throughout the years we have given witness to a congregation that is unwavering in their commitment to God. May our faith and our witness make way for the peace of God to prevail in all of our hearts.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Jackie Marshall, Vice Moderator, Resurrection MCC Board of Directors, at [ViceModerator@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:ViceModerator@ResurrectionMCC.org).

Yours in shared ministry,

Board of Directors  
Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church



## "SECOND SUNDAY" FRIEND-RAISER BRUNCH

**TODAY**  
Activities Building  
12:30 pm

**ENJOY BURGERS AND HOT DOGS!**

*Proceeds benefit Gutter Replacement Fund.*

## CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

**TODAY**  
1:00 pm  
Activities Building



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Rev. Elder Lillie Brock  
will facilitate the first of  
a series of forums.  
All are welcome.

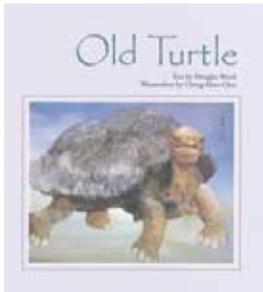
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# “WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?” ADULT VBS WORKSHOP SERIES

It's that time again – Adult Vacation Bible School! Saturdays during the month of July we will consider Jesus' question to his disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” through an exciting series of morning workshops. Join us for one, some, or all! Related books available at Inspirations Bookstore. Register to [RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org)

## JULY 9 - JULY 30 SATURDAYS • 10 - NOON • GATHERING PLACE



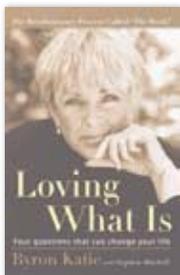
### JULY 9 MOTHER GOD?! – WHO DO YOU SAY GOD IS?!

When all of creation – trees, stones, ants, the sky, fish – begins arguing over who or what God is, quiet Old Turtle speaks: “God is indeed deep,” she says to the fish in the sea, “and much higher than high,” she tells the mountains. “God is gentle and powerful. Above all things and within all things . . . God IS.” Join us with eyes to see, ears to hear – and new words to try – as we seek and share a greater understanding of how inclusive language and a gospel of welcome for all the children of God will open our doors wide to become a House of Prayer for All People! Great for those on the **Seeking** and **Exploring** Paths in their Journey of Faith!



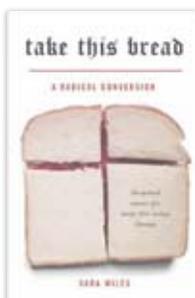
### JULY 16 HE SAID! SHE SAID! – WHO DO WE SAY WHAT TO – AND HOW?

All too often, communication in our churches thrives on secrets, agendas, and conflict. Learning to practice “holy communication” – ways of speaking to, with, and about one another which trusts and honors the Holy in all our interactions – calms the storms we sometimes create. Practicing “holy communication” reveals the strength, commitment, and love that God can bring forth to give us all more courage to speak the truth in love! Great for those on the **Seeking** and **Exploring** Paths in their Journey of Faith!



### JULY 23 GET REAL! – WHO DO YOU SAY YOU ARE?!

*Loving What Is*, by Byron Katie, outlines a simple process she calls “The Work.” With four basic questions and a willingness to listen to, write, and speak the truth about ourselves to ourselves, we gain awareness of – and freedom from – the “stories” we hold on to about who we “are” and make way for a more authentic life . . . Great for those on the **Exploring** and **Deepening** Paths in their Journey of Faith!



### JULY 30 WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE? – WHO DOES JESUS SAY WE ARE?

Based on a wonderful account by Sara Miles of her reluctant conversion while serving in a food pantry, this book study is designed to open our hearts and spirits to the joyful challenges and surprising blessings God has in store for us when we live God's love – whether we set out to do so or not! Great for those on the **Seeking** and **Serving** Paths in their Journey of Faith!

# new MEMBERS CLASS

Thursday  
**July 14**  
6 - 9 pm  
Gathering Place

Join us to discuss the mission, vision, and values of Resurrection MCC, as you discover your connection to the world through our affiliation with the Metropolitan Community Churches. Join this family of faith in purpose, service, and fellowship! Please RSVP to RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org or 713-861-9149 x105.



## FRIDAY NIGHT "FRIENDS BY THE FIRE" SUMMERTIME!

Friday  
**JULY 15**  
7 - 9 pm, Outside

Join us for our Summertime "Friends by the Fire", sponsored by Landscape and Facilities. Bring a chair and join us as we share stories and laughs. We will provide hot dogs to roast. Please bring a soda or bottle of water.

To ensure we have plenty of hot dogs, please RSVP to Joy@ResurrectionMCC.org.

## DISCOVERING WHO YOU Are

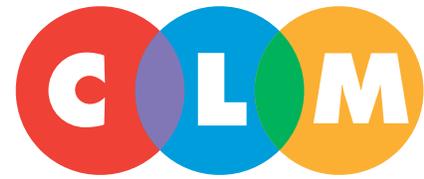
Wednesday  
**July 27**  
7 pm | Gathering Place

The goal of this class is to help participants learn more about themselves, first by learning more about our personality type(s), and then by discovering our unique gifts and abilities. Using the Enneagram as a tool for discernment, we will discover more about who we are and how to best be of service in our church and in our world.

Join us and find your unique fit in the body of Christ as we build up our community. Great for those on the Seeking and Exploring Paths in their Journey of Faith!

Please RSVP to RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org.

CREATING A LIFE



THAT MATTERS

## CREATING A LIFE THAT MATTERS:

AUGUST WEEKEND  
IMMERSION SERIES

3 Weekends

**SACRED:** FRIDAY - SUNDAY, AUGUST 5 - 7

**SELF :** FRIDAY - SUNDAY, AUGUST 12 - 14

**PASSION:** FRIDAY - SUNDAY, AUGUST 19 - 21

**For Ministry-Leaders, Spiritual Seekers,  
Busy Lives, Longing Spirits ...**

Creating a Life that Matters is an intensive three-course curriculum which explores ways to rediscover our relationship with the Sacred, with our Self, and with our Passion. Graduates of Creating a Life that Matters will have been challenged to: broaden their understanding of all that is Sacred; integrate their self-awareness into being authentic, aware leaders; and live their passion intentionally through the life of the church and beyond. With this unique CLM Immersion Series, participants can complete the 18-session curriculum over 3 concentrated Friday - Sunday weekends in August, 6 - 9 pm on Fridays; 10 am - 8 pm on Saturdays; 1 - 3 pm on Sundays. Space is limited to 25 participants for this fully facilitated series; commitment to all 3 weekends is required.

Total cost for curriculum, materials, activities, and 3 meals for the entire 3-weekend CLM Immersion Series is \$150.00 (\$50/weekend), with an initial non-refundable deposit of \$50 due with registration; Register through Inspirations Bookstore (Gathering Place). Some financial assistance is possible; contact RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org with questions and to make scholarship offers or requests. This Life Development offering is especially for those on the Deepening Path in the Journey of Faith.

# Clothes Closet

We are now accepting new and lightly used adult clothing, belts, shoes, and outerwear, to provide to those in need in our community.

Please email us if you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, to make an appointment to receive clothes, or for any other questions.

**Clothes@ResurrectionMCC.org**

*Before making a donation, please wash clothes as we do not have laundry facilities on site. Clothes may be dropped off outside Activities Building Room #110 on Sundays.*

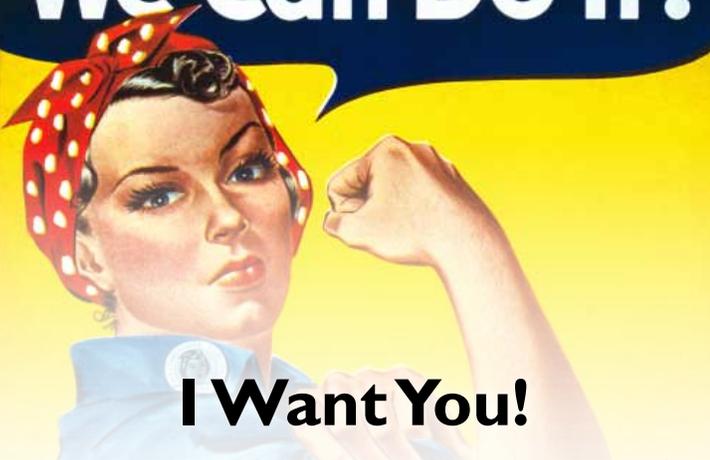
# CARE FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT

by recycling newspapers, magazines, catalogs and junk mail in the containers in our parking lot.

We now have three collection bins as this program grows. We receive cash based on the weight collected.



# We Can Do It!



## I Want You!

Do you have a smile, a hello, and 20 minutes a month? That's all it takes to be a part of the Welcome ministry.

Contact Donna at: [Welcome@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Welcome@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# FOOD PANTRY

Open by Appointment:  
713-861-9149 x103

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

*Please place donations in the shopping cart located in the Welcome Area.*



### Board Members on Duty

Tricia Phillips and Eddie Domingue

*Board Minutes Available Upon Request.*

### Flowers in the Sanctuary

Consider donating flowers in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special day. Email the date and message to [Sara@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Sara@ResurrectionMCC.org) or call 713-861-9149 x112.

## Financial Report

For YTD Ended July 3, 2011

General Giving	Projected	Received
General Tithes & Offerings	\$469,500.00	\$436,976.31
Capital Giving	Projected	Received
Imagine Capital Campaign Contributions	\$57,110.19	\$58,043.74
Imagine Campaign Fundraising - Gutter Replacement	\$18,173.08	\$26,215.21



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Relationships.



Beginning in August  
**Grief & Loss Recovery Group**  
Wednesday nights, 5:30-6:50pm, 14 consecutive weeks

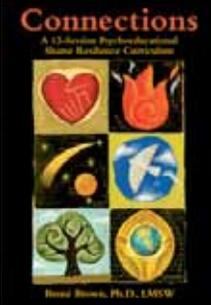
Grieving is a natural process and the result of losing a loved one, pet, physical or mental ability, job, relationship, or aspirations. This group teaches about the stages of grieving, and allows them to transform emotionally, behaviorally & spiritually. Participants are encouraged to accept their loss, understand their process and develop skills practice throughout their lifespan.

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# This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

## SUNDAY JULY 10

<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship / Rev. Elder Lillie Brock</b>	
9:30 am	Souljourners	<i>Activities Building</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry	<i>Chapel</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship / Rev. Elder Lillie Brock</b>	
12:30 pm	2nd Sunday Friend-Raiser Brunch	<i>Activities Building</i>
1:00 pm	Congregational Forum	<i>Activities Building</i>

## MONDAY JULY 11

No Events Scheduled

## TUESDAY JULY 12

7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>

## WEDNESDAY JULY 13

6:00 pm	The Chalice: Community Gathering	<i>Gathering Place</i>
7:00 pm	When Crap Happens: Pastoral Care Basics	<i>Gathering Place</i>

## THURSDAY JULY 14

6:00 pm	New Members Class	<i>Gathering Place</i>
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## FRIDAY JULY 15

**OFFICE CLOSED**

7:00 pm	"Friends by the Fire"--Summertime!	<i>Outside</i>
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## SATURDAY JULY 16

**OFFICE CLOSED**

10:00 am	Adult Vacation Bible School	<i>Gathering Place</i>
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## SUNDAY JULY 17

<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship / Rev. Janice Ladd</b>	
9:30 am	Souljourners	<i>Activities Building</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net Prayer Ministry	<i>Chapel</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship / Rev. Janice Ladd</b>	
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>