

NOVEMBER 20, 2011

# Extreme MAKEOVER SOUL EDITION

# 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.

## Call to Experience

One traditional element of worship is known as the Call To Worship, a practice that intentionally invites us to come into the presence of God.

### Prelude / Preludio

Video

### Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock

### Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz

### + Welcome Song / Canción de Bienvenida

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone,  
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger bears the image of God's face;  
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

### + Call To Experience / Llamado a la Adoración

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

### + Praise & Worship / Alabanza y Adoración

#### *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You

*To see You high and lifted up, Shinin' in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love, As we sing holy, holy, holy*

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You

(Chorus 2x)

Holy, holy, holy, We cry holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy, I want to see you

Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy, I want to see you

(Chorus 2x)

#### *Here I Am to Worship*

Love of the World you stepped down into chaos  
Open my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore you  
Hope of a life spent with you

*Here I am to worship, Here I am to love you  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
You're altogether lovely, All together worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me*

God of all days oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly you came to the Earth you created  
All for love's sake became poor

(Chorus)

I'll never know how much it cost, To see Jesus upon that cross  
I'll never know how much it cost , To see Jesus upon that cross

(Chorus 2x)

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

**Contemporary Word / Lectura Contemporánea**

Rhonda Henderson

***I Don't Know How To Love Him***

from Jesus Christ Super Star

**The Community Prays / Oración Comunal**

Rev. Terri Steed

Musical notation for "I Don't Know How To Love Him" from Jesus Christ Super Star. The music is in common time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are:

O' ten - der Moth - er, hear our prayer, \_\_\_\_\_ as we your  
 child - ren gath - er near. \_\_\_\_\_ We of - fer you \_\_\_\_\_ our wound - ed  
 souls, \_\_\_\_\_ for your ca - ress \_\_\_\_\_ can make us whole. \_\_\_\_\_

**+ The Ancient Word / Lectura Bíblica**Robert Fleming (9 am)  
Marty Williams (11 am)**Luke 8:1-3**

Contemporary English Version (CEV)

Soon after this, Jesus was going through towns and villages, telling the good news about God's reign. His twelve apostles were with him, and so were some women who had been healed of evil spirits and all sorts of diseases. One of the women was Mary Magdalene, who once had seven demons in her. Joanna, Susanna, and many others had also used what they owned to help Jesus and his disciples. Joanna's husband Chuza was one of Herod's officials.

**Jesus Christ Superstar**

is a rock opera by Andrew Lloyd Webber, with lyrics by Tim Rice. The musical started off as a rock opera concept recording before its first staging on Broadway in 1971. The musical is based very loosely on the Gospels' account of the last week of Jesus' life, beginning with the preparation for the arrival of Jesus and his disciples in Jerusalem, and ending with the crucifixion. It highlights political and interpersonal struggles between Judas Iscariot and Jesus, struggles that are not in the Bible. The resurrection is not included. It therefore largely follows the form of a traditional passion play. The work's depiction offers a free interpretation of the psychology of Jesus and the other characters. (Wikipedia)

**Call to Engage / Sermón**

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock

***Extreme Makeover: Soul Edition***

From Neediness to Gratitude

**The Ministry of Music / Selección Musical**

Gospel Ensemble

***Grateful***

by Sean Brown

**We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda****Offertory / Ofertorio*****Angel***

by Sarah McLachlan

**Give Thanks**

As the holiday season approaches, let us collectively begin our journey of gratitude and thanksgiving by participating in the "Give Thanks Campaign". Please place your "Give Thanks" cards in the gift box at the altar when instructed. It truly is a gift to be thankful. We hope you'll be part of that gift.

## We Receive

All congregations in MCC practice an open communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or any church to come to the table and receive 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 Metropolitanas) 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.

## Communion / Comunión

Rev. Janice Ladd  
Wayne Davis

One : Come just as you are, hear the spirit call. Come just as you are;  
Come and see, come, receive, come and live forever.

All: **Life everlasting and strength for today; taste the living water and never thirst again. Come, just as you are, hear the spirit call. Come just as you are. Come and see, come receive, come and live forever.**

## Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunión

### *What a Friend I've Found*

What a friend I've found  
Closer than a brother  
I have felt your touch  
More intimate than lovers

Jesus, Jesus  
Jesus, friend forever

What a hope I've found  
More faithful than a mother  
It would break my heart  
To ever lose each other

Jesus, Jesus  
Jesus, friend forever

(Repeat all)

### *Breathe*

This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence living in me

This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word spoken to me

And I, I'm desperate for you  
And I, I'm lost without you

(Repeat all)

### ***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.

*(Repeat all)*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias**

Rev. Janice Ladd

### **Call to Embody / Anuncios**

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock  
Rev. Michael Diaz

### **Sending Forth / Bendición**

Rev. Elder Lillie Brock

One heart, one spirit, one voice to praise you, we are the body of Christ;  
    One goal, one vision, to see you exalted, we are the body of Christ;  
        And to this we give our lives, to see you glorified;  
One heart, one spirit, one voice to praise you, we are the body of Christ  
    We are the body of Christ.

### **+ Postlude / Postludio**

CD

### **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.

### **Embody**

We want to encourage you to engage your spiritual life beyond worship on Sunday.

## **ADVENT VIDEO SERIES: OUR GIFTS**

**TODAY • 3 pm • Rear of Sanctuary**

Throughout the upcoming Advent season, dozens from our church family will share brief video-recorded testimonies about the gifts that they have been given from God and how they share those gifts with the world. Meet Mark Eggleston this Sunday, November 20, at 3 pm in the rear of the Sanctuary if you would like to record your brief testimony that will be shared during a Sunday Worship service in Advent. More information and RSVP on Facebook or to [Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org).

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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.

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# *Give* *Thanks*

CAMPAIGN

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Dear One:

**“When I heard of the solid trust you have in Jesus and your outpouring of love to all, I couldn’t stop thanking God for you — every time I prayed, I’d think of you and give thanks.”**  
Ephesians 1:15

As we approach the Thanksgiving Season, I want to say a special word of thanks to you for the ways you have blessed my life and the lives of so many who have made Resurrection MCC their home. Even in a short time, I have grown to deeply appreciate the level of commitment that this congregation has to the ministry of this church . . . locally, nationally and globally.

In 2011, we have been able to accomplish a great deal even in the face of an unexpected pastoral transition. **For all the ways this transition took its toll, there are a thousand other ways that this church continued to save and transform lives.**

- Provided over 775 pastoral care consultations
- Raised \$6,200 for HIV/AIDS outreach
- Gave \$68,040 to support MCC’s social justice efforts and mission around the world
- Served 695 individuals through our food pantry and clothes closet
- Blessed 11 couples in holy matrimony
- Officiated 10 funerals and memorial services
- Guided 14 individuals into the waters of their baptism
- Supplied 406 Composition Books, 1270 Crayola Markers, 276 Dry Erase Markers, 1324 Pencils, 416 Crayons, 284 Pens, and 4 Back Packs to children in need
- Gave 23 blankets/comforters and 72 sets of sheets to individuals in transition from the streets.

**In cash or kind, we have given away \$117,240 in 2011!**

No matter what else came our way, we continued to give outside ourselves. That is who we are at Resurrection MCC and it is who we will continue to be.

This year, as part of our annual Give Thanks Campaign, **I would like to ask that you consider doing two things:**

1. Write down the things for which you are most grateful at Resurrection MCC on a Give Thanks card.
2. Prayerfully consider a financial gift to this campaign.

The goal of the Give Thanks Campaign is \$50,000. We have already achieved 32% of our goal, as the Board of Directors, Lay Delegates, and Executive Team have pledged \$15,950 over and beyond their regular tithes and offerings! Envelopes and Gift Thanks cards are available at all Sanctuary entrances throughout November, or if you would prefer, you may contribute online at [ResurrectionMCC.org](http://ResurrectionMCC.org). Your Give Thanks gift will help us end this year with gratitude for all we have experienced and begin a new year with a determination to have even greater impact.

In Gratitude,



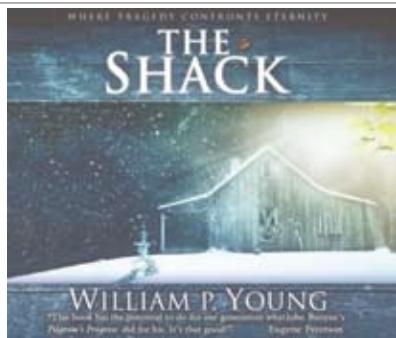
Rev. Lillie Brock  
Consulting Pastor



## **DECK THE HALLS** CHRISTMAS DECORATING **TODAY**

12:30 PM - 4:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Join us as we enjoy Christmas tunes, have a blast, celebrate the upcoming Season of Advent, and decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas! Lunch will be served, so please RSVP to [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)



### **THE SHACK** Book Study

**November 21**

MONDAY  
7 - 8:30 PM  
Gathering Place

Doubt and belief, anger and love, loss and forgiveness ... These are just a few of the themes introduced in this popular novel about one man's struggle to reconcile the pain of his life with his understanding of God. Join us in a reflective and interactive exploration of these themes in our own lives and make the journey with Mackenzie as he meets God, the Holy Spirit and Jesus at The Shack. Join us for one, some or all sessions!

RSVP to [RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org)



## **THANK-FULL FOR ALL!** THANKSGIVING OPEN TABLE AND WORSHIP **THURSDAY | NOVEMBER 24**

11 AM - 1 PM | ACTIVITIES BLDG.

"At Resurrection MCC, as with Metropolitan Community Churches around the world, we celebrate an Open Table ..." These words, spoken during worship each Sunday, are words of holy welcome and profound love. They speak to who we know God to be both for and in us as the body of Christ: all are welcome, all are fed, all belong. What joy we have in sharing Thanksgiving at God's Open Table! Join your family of faith and the community beyond as we gather for this holiday at the table together, open to all! We will share a traditional Thanksgiving meal as an act of worship - all are welcome, all are fed, all belong!

RSVP to attend, contribute, or volunteer to [Thanksgiving@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Thanksgiving@ResurrectionMCC.org) by Sunday, November 20.



# **Christmas Poinsettias**

**\$20 each**

Help us beautify our Sanctuary with a potted Christmas Poinsettia in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special person or relationship. Poinsettias will be on display in the Sanctuary from Sunday, November 27 - Sunday, December 25.

Write "Poinsettia" in the memo line of your check, or on a donation envelope with your name, and place in the offering plate. Email a brief note to [Poinsettias@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Poinsettias@ResurrectionMCC.org) if you would like us to include a note on a card with the Poinsettia. If you would like, you may take the Poinsettia home, or give it as a gift, after our 11 am Christmas Day service.

## **40th Anniversary Team**

Would you like to be part of the team that will help us plan, implement, and oversee the Resurrection MCC 40th Anniversary Celebration in 2012? The team will include various mini-teams for worship, socials, fundraisers, history, communications, decorations, and community outreach. This team reports to the Board of Directors. For more information, or to indicate your interest in serving on this team, please email [Anniversary@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Anniversary@ResurrectionMCC.org).

## **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TEAM**

Would you like to be part of the team that provides fundraising ideas and marketing approaches to projects that fund the capital spending needs for the church campus? This team reports to the Board of Directors. For more information, or to indicate your interest in serving on this team, please email [Capital@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Capital@ResurrectionMCC.org).

## **PASTORAL SEARCH ANNOUNCEMENT**

The 2011-2012 Pastoral Search Committee has been appointed and the Board of Directors are pleased to announce the following persons who will serve in finding our new Senior Pastor:

*Rhonda Brown, Kecia Bullock, Eddie Domingue, Scott Easterly, Edwin Kelly, Kandace Klingler, Jackie Marshall, Georgette Monaghan*

Please keep these folks, the search process and God's will to be done in your daily prayers!

# LANDSCAPE & FACILITIES

—W O R K D A Y —



SATURDAY

## DECEMBER 3



9 am - Noon • Gathering Place

Calling all "Innies and Outies" for our next Work Day. Landscape and Facilities Work Days are times we get together to clean-up and maintain our church.

This Work Day, we are calling for "innies" with a "clutter-free" mentality to join us on Saturday, December 3 from 9:00 – 12:00. We will concentrate on a few rooms in the Activities Building. We will be organizing, clearing out, making space, and oh yeah...having a good time with friends! For our "outies" that just can't stay inside, a light painting project will be offered.

Please join us in the Gathering Place at 9:00 to get your project assignment. Lunch, laughs, and Christmas Ornament making (see ad on this page) will be at Noon, so RSVP to joy@resurrectionmcc.org.

## I'm Dreaming of a "GREEN" Christmas



In keeping with our "Save the Planet--Go Green" Recycling Program here at Resurrection, we are having a "Green" Christmas Ornament making opportunity on Saturday, December 3 in the Gathering Place from Noon-2 pm.

Sponsored by our Landscape and Facilities Ministry Team, you are invited to come after our "Work Day" and make some ornaments out of things from nature and recyclables.

Our Work Day is from 9am-Noon (join us for that, too, if you can), and then we'll gather in the Gathering Place for a time of making ornaments and friends!

Make one for someone and make one for yourself, or better yet, make a bunch to share!

Ornament items are supplied...just bring your imagination.

Everyone is welcome...even Grinches!

Please RSVP to Joy@ResurrectionMCC.org



DECEMBER 11, 2011  
12:45 PM  
ACTIVITIES BUILDING

### TICKETS

\$5 EACH OR \$20 FOR 4

### 1ST PRIZE

MAGNAVOX 32MF601B  
32" 720p LCD TV

### 2ND PRIZE

PANASONIC SC-XH150  
SURROUND SOUND  
ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM

### 3RD PRIZE

AMAZON.COM  
KINDLE FIRE

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN  
INSPIRATIONS COFFEE CAFÉ & BOOKSTORE TODAY.

## DESIGN TEAM



Are you a designing woman? Bob the builder? Pablo Picasso? Email Elijah@ResurrectionMCC.org to learn how you can get involved with the new design ministry and be a part of making our sanctuary fabulous! Or come to our vision meeting on Monday, November 28, 6:30 pm in the Music Room.

## DRAMA MINISTRY TEAM



Calling all actors, directors, and writers! Come be part of the drama ministry. For more information on this new ministry team email Elijah@ResurrectionMCC.org. Or, come to our vision meeting on Monday, November 28, 6:30 pm in the Music Room.

## ADVENT CONNECTION GROUPS

### JESUS BORN AGAIN

Mondays, November 28 - December 19  
7pm • Activities Building

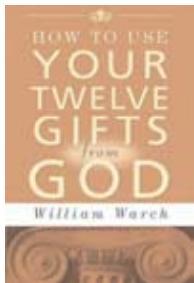


Every year during Advent, we celebrate the coming birth of Jesus (Christmas) through different stories. While the Gospel of Matthew tells us of the Magi from East who follow a star, the Gospel of Luke speaks of simple shepherds being the first to visit Jesus. Did you know there are other stories surrounding Jesus' birth and childhood, even Jesus going to grade school and being a little mischievous? How do we separate fact from fiction? Is it possible to appreciate the varied stories of Jesus' birth in order to understand why we celebrate the coming of Christ every year?

Join us on Monday nights at 7pm for a 4-week small group study on the different stories surrounding Jesus' birth and childhood. Using narratives from the Gospel of Luke and Matthew and the Infancy Gospels of James and Thomas, we will go beyond facts to find spiritual truth in midst of the many stories surrounding Jesus' birth. Join us this Advent as we encounter, engage, and embody Jesus being born again. For more information, contact [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org).

### HOW TO USE YOUR TWELVE GIFTS FROM GOD

Wednesdays, November 30 -December 21  
7pm • Activities Building



What is the greatest gift you have ever received? A child might say a toy. A teenager might say a car. As we grow gifts take on new meaning as our needs, values, and priorities evolve. There might not be only one greatest gift but many. Imagine what your life would be like if you not only knew what those gifts were, but how to use them to develop your spiritual awareness and experience a life of inner peace.

Join us on Wednesday nights at 7pm for a 4-week small group study on the book, How to Use Your Twelve Gifts from God by William Warch. In this study, we will journey towards inner transformation as we explore how particular gifts refresh our minds to the Divine within us. This Advent, we are growing into divine fullness as we affirm the many gifts that God gives us. For more information, contact [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org).

*¿Hablas español? Unirse un Grupo de Adviento por la Galleria. Empieza el jueves, el primer de diciembre! Contacte RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org.*

### ADVENT GROUPS MEETING IN THE GALLERIA AND IN CLEAR LAKE!

Contact [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org) for more information!

**Would you like to facilitate a small group study for Advent or host a group in your home?**

Our Advent Connection Groups begin the week of November 28, and we have opportunities for facilitators on Monday or Wednesday nights on our church campus or you can host a group in your home any night of the week. Curriculum and training is provided. You'll get to enhance your interpersonal skills and deepen relationships at the same time. Please contact [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org) if you would like more information.



### IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY  
**DECEMBER 3**  
2 - 4 PM, Gathering Place

"Imani" means Faith in Swahili, and "Vida" means Life in Spanish. Join us as we explore life and faith through drumming! If you like to drum or have an interest in drumming, join us as we make music through all sorts of percussion instruments: hand drums, shakers, rain sticks and even the sound of foot stomping music. Drummers of all skill levels are welcome. No prior drumming experience is required to participate in our circle. We only ask that you bring your desire to be a part of our community drum circle. We meet every first Saturday of the month in the Gathering Place, as well as other locations for other special drumming occasions.

For more information, contact [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)

### NEWCOMERS WELCOME RECEPTION



**SUNDAY | DECEMBER 4 | 12:30 PM**

Are you new to Resurrection MCC? If you have begun attending Resurrection MCC within the past few months, or have returned after hiatus, welcome home! You are cordially invited to attend a reception immediately following the 11 am Worship service with refreshments provided. You'll have the opportunity to meet new folks and some of the ministry leaders and clergy, learn more about Resurrection MCC, and ask any questions you might have. To RSVP and for more information, please email [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org).



## CALLING ALL LEAD VOCALS & MUSICIANS!

Do you want to be a part of a new Praise & Worship Band at Resurrection MCC?

Please contact  
[Natasha@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Natasha@ResurrectionMCC.org)



## YOGA CONNECTIONS

Every Tuesday

7 - 8:30 pm | Activities Building

Yoga means to yoke or join. Join us as we join with God through Yoga! Connect with other folks in this non-competitive activity that is suitable for every person. If you are new to Yoga, you'll meet others with varying skill levels. You'll also learn about the benefits for your overall health and well-being. Please bring a mat and towel. Everyone is welcome to join us for these free sessions. RSVP at [Facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC](https://www.facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC) or for more info email [Yoga@ResurrectionmCC.org](mailto:Yoga@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 Member on Duty

Tricia Phillips and Edwin Kelly

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

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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 November 13, 2011

Tithes & Offerings & Capital Giving	Week Ended	YTD Total	YTD Average Attendance	YTD Average Per Person
Amount Needed	\$19,884.42	\$904,741.25	607	\$32.76
Amount Received	\$16,065.15	\$786,101.74	542	\$31.53
Budget Variance		<u>(\$118,639.51)</u>		

# This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY		NOVEMBER 20
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fishers Net Prayer Ministry	<i>Chapel</i>
10:30 am	Children's Choir Rehearsal	<i>Activities Building</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	Deck the Halls	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
MONDAY		NOVEMBER 21
7:00 pm	"The Shack" Book Study	<i>Gathering Place</i>
TUESDAY		NOVEMBER 22
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 pm	Yoga Connections	<i>Activities Building</i>
WEDNESDAY		NOVEMBER 23
6:00 pm	The Chalice: Community Gathering	<i>Gathering Place</i>
7:00 pm	The Life You've Always Wanted	<i>Gathering Place</i>
THURSDAY		NOVEMBER 24
11:00 am	Thanksgiving Open Table & Worship	<i>Activities Building</i>
6:00 pm	Praise & Worship Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
FRIDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	NOVEMBER 25
No Events Scheduled		
SATURDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	NOVEMBER 26
No Events Scheduled		
SUNDAY		NOVEMBER 27
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fishers Net Prayer Ministry	<i>Chapel</i>
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