



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

April 29, 2012

Prelude / Preludio

Children's Choir

Be Bold, Be Strong
by Morris Chapman

Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Janice Ladd

Announcements / Anuncios

Rev. Michael Diaz

+ **Welcome Song / Canción de Bienvenida**

Let us build a house where all are named, Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed, As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, Prayers of faith and songs of grace;
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

+ **Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz**

Rev. Janice Ladd

+ **Welcome Song Reprise / Canción de Bienvenida**

Call to Experience / Llamada de Adoración

Resurrection MCC History Video

+ **Opening Hymn / Himno**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, Creator;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not.
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, springtime and harvest,
Sun moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

(Chorus)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow --
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

(Chorus)

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

Celebrate

Resurrection
Metropolitan
Community Church
celebrates its
Anniversary today!
40 years ago, a dozen
folks boldly believed
God had called a new
thing into being—a
Church that would pull
away from fear-based
theology and step
into a love-created
dream of God—that all
people are beloved and
all people are welcome
at God's table.

From inception to
maturity, Resurrection
MCC has held fast to
our core values and has
been a place of hope
and healing for our
community. Over the
last 40 years we have
become known for
our powerful worship,
transformational
programming, radical
hospitality and our
community-building
outreach. We have a
legacy of lives that have
been touched, literally
and spiritually saved by
our work together.

Forty years ago, the
first members of
Resurrection MCC
had the vision that a
church like ours was
possible. Throughout
the years, this vision
has played out
through mature faith
and commitment,
the power of the
Holy Spirit, and the
grace of God. Our
church remains
committed to its
long-standing mission
to demonstrate God's
unconditional love
to all people through
Christian action.

Rabindranath Tagore

Rabindranath Tagore was a recognized poet, philosopher and thinker. In 1913 he won the Nobel Prize for Literature. His poetry calls out for a re-connection with the divine in every moment we live on Earth

Welcome

Today we celebrate our anniversary and welcome beloved Pastors: Rev. John Gill served faithfully as Senior Pastor for ten years, 1985 to 1995; Rev. Carolyn Mobley, served from 1990 to 2005 and touched our lives with her exuberant spirit and inspirational song; and Rev. Dwayne Johnson, Senior Pastor from 1996 to 2009, led us to our West 11th Street church campus and instilled in our hearts a drive for God's vision of heaven on Earth.

Contemporary Reading / Lectura Contemporánea

Alyssa Guerrero (9 am)
Timia Richardson (11 am)

The Grasp of Your Hand

From *The Heart of God: Prayers of Rabindranath Tagore* by Herbert F. Vetter as included in *Leading from Within: Poetry That Sustains the Courage to Lead*, Sam M. Intrator and Megan Scribner, Editors, 125

Let me not pray to be sheltered from dangers, but to be fearless in facing them. Let me not beg for the stilling of my pain, but for the heart to conquer it. Let me not crave in anxious fear to be saved, but hope for the patience to win my freedom. Grant me that I may not be a coward, feeling Your mercy in my success alone; but let me find the grasp of Your hand in my failure.

Community Prayer Litany / Letanía de la Comunidad

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

One: Your call upon our hearts, Your vision of our people, Your promise for our lives, year after year ...

ALL: Our Creator which art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

One: We courageously bless Your love for our lives, living Your love into the world, day by day ...

ALL: Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

One: All we have ever needed - in storm or in drought, in fear or in doubt - Your hand has provided ...

ALL: Give us this day our daily bread.

One: We pray for freedom from all that diminishes us, others, and the reality of Your tender mercy, Your incredible grace ...

ALL: Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

One: Uplifted and upheld by the Way You have made for us, we turn with joyful assurance to the path You are even now opening before us ...

ALL: Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

One: Blessed beyond measure, may we ever open our hearts, reach out our hands, and call to the lost, the lonely, and the unloved: "You are God's Beloved! You are welcome in this place!"

ALL: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. For ever and ever. Amen.

1John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that Jesus laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before God whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from God whatever we ask, because we obey God’s commandments and do what pleases God.

And this is God’s commandment, that we should believe in the name of the Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as God has commanded us. All who obey God’s commandments abide in God, and God abides in them. And by this we know that Jesus abides in us, by the Spirit that God has given us.

Anthem / Himno

Rev. Carolyn Mobley

Engage / Sermón

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Holy Boldness in Truth and Action

Congregational Response / Congregacional de Respuesta

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda

Mark Brown

Offertory / Ofertorio

Mass Choir

Seasons of Love

Communion / Comunción

Rev. John Gill

**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 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.

Embody

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

Communion Songs / Cantos de Comuni3n

Be Strong In the Lord

Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage;
Your mighty Defender is always the same.
Mount up with wings as the eagle ascending;
Vict'ry is sure when you call on God's name.

*Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord:
And be of good courage, for God is your guide.
Be strong, be strong, be strong in the Lord;
And rejoice for the vict'ry is yours.*

Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage;
Your mighty Commander will vanquish to foe.
Fear not the battle for the vict'ry is always yours;
God will protect you wherever you go.

(Chorus)

Amazing Love

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because You died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be,
That You my God would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true,
And It's my joy to honor You,
In all I do, I honor You.

There's Something About That Name

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
There's just something about that name.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Like the fragrance after the rain.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Let all heaven and earth proclaim.
Kings and kingdoms shall all pass away
But there's something about that name.

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

Rev. John Gill

+ **Benediction / Bendici3n**

Rev. Dwayne Johnson

Postlude / Postludi3

Joel Hammett

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Worship | 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.

JOURNEY KEY MAP

Determine your Spiritual Location using the exercises found on pages 8 - 11 of our Spring On The Journey magazine.

-  **SEARCHING**
I'm not sure where I am or what I believe.
I'm in a place of questioning my faith...
-  **CHANGING**
I'm experiencing transformation in my faith life.
I'm in a place of new God-experiences . . .
-  **CONNECTING**
I'm finding my faith in community. I'm in a place of exploring my spirituality with others . . .
-  **LISTENING**
I'm quieting my life to hear God's voice.
I'm in a place of inner spiritual attentiveness . . .
-  **SERVING**
I'm feeling the need to give of myself. I'm in a place of living my faith in caring for others . . .
-  **PREPARING**
I'm deepening my faith journey. I'm in a place of responsiveness to God's call in my life . . .



LOVE WINS: ROB BELL BOOK STUDY

MONDAY

APRIL 30

7 - 8:30 pm, Gathering Place

We invite you to jump out of the frying pan and into the fire with "Love Wins" and join us for one, some, or all 4 sessions in April of this Rob Bell book study, subtitled: "A Book About Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived." For folks who have, on average, been told more frequently than many other people that we are surely going to hell, we are often pretty unclear about what we think about the subject! Aside from the - very valuable, but still partial - response that God loves us, does not reject us, and includes us in the "whosoever" of grace just as we are, many of us really aren't all that sure about what we believe about hell, or why. Perhaps it's time that we go to hell (and back!) to get that clarity for ourselves!

RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org

40TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION & MEET YOU ON THE JOURNEY

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

12:30 - 1:30 PM, ACTIVITIES BUILDING

After our Anniversary Worship Service, join us in the Activities Building for a reception with Rev. Dwayne Johnson, Rev. John Gill, and Rev. Carolyn Mobley. Then stay for our Meet You on The Journey event! At Resurrection MCC, we believe that God meets you right where you are. Creating a place for you to discover and explore your spiritual location is where we come in!

We invite every one of our members and friends to:

-- **Discover your personal Spiritual Location -
Searching, Changing, Connecting, Listening, Preparing, Serving**

-- **Explore ways to meet God right where you are in 2012
with our newest Spiritual Location programming**

-- **Select and share your spiritual adventuring together as we
"Meet You On the Journey" at Resurrection!**

At the event, we will debut our new On the Journey magazine, complete with listings for programming coming May through August, 2012, as well as our enlightening personal "Spiritual Locator" tool!



LIVING SPIRIT

WEDNESDAYS

MAY 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

7 - 8:30 pm, Chapel

Refresh your soul with an evening spent nourishing your relationship with God! Each week we will share a time of devotional centering, followed by the introduction of a simple contemplative practice. These gentle spiritual practices are deeply refreshing and easily accessible, from beginners to frequent practitioners! Give yourself a mid-week soul-renewal with the spiritually enlivening practices of breath prayer, praying with beads, Lectio Divina and guided Scriptural meditation; all are welcome to join us for one, some or all!

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BINGO NIGHT AT BIG TEX BINGO

FRIDAY

MAY 4

7:30 PM

BIG TEX BINGO

13030 VETERANS MEMORIAL DR, HOUSTON, 77014

Bring your friends and family and join Resurrection for a night of fun! Over \$5,000 is given away nightly (bingo prizes and pull tabs). Big Tex offers a full service snack bar, daily food specials, beer, margaritas and more.

Resurrection MCC and Pride Charities are two of the organizations who share in the profits from Big Tex Bingo, www.BigTexBingo.com 281-586-0700.



PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

FRIENDRAISER & PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE TOWN HALL

SUNDAY

MAY 6

12:30 pm, Activities Building

Grab a friend and a bite to eat and fill up on good food and fellowship for a good cause! Our monthly "Friendraisers," hosted by various Resurrection ministry teams, are a great way to connect and share the love after our 11 am worship celebration as well as to contribute to our general fund! First-timers and old-timers, families and solo-fliers – all are invited! See you Sunday!

See the Senior Pastor profile and Candidate Packet!



EXPLORING YOUR SPIRITUAL LOCATION

SATURDAY

MAY 12

9:30 AM - 2:30 PM | GATHERING PLACE

Asking yourself "Where am I, in this moment, in my spiritual life?" opens the way to a journey of learning to pay attention to what your inner world is telling you, what your body is trying to say, and what your spirit longs to speak. During this half-day workshop, we will be guided in the practice of paying attention to ourselves through reflective activities and interactive exercises designed to deepen our personal awareness and connection to others on the spiritual journey. Lunch is included.

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SONGS OF
**FAITH,
 HOPE AND
 LOVE**

SANCTUARY CHOIR CONCERT
"Faith, hope, and love, but the greatest of these is love." - 1 Corinthians 13:13
SUNDAY, MAY 20, 6 PM
 RESURRECTION MCC SANCTUARY

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9 & 11 AM
 nursery available | handicap accessible
 11 am - children & youth program
 11 am - spanish & deaf interpretation
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Resurrection
 Multicultural Community Church



**HELP US MAKE
 A JOYFUL NOISE**

On Sundays, the choir loft may look quite full, but there's always room for more when you're making a joyful noise to the Lord! If you like to sing, regardless of your experience or training, come join the ministry and fellowship of the Gospel Ensemble or Sanctuary Choir! Both ministry groups rehearse on Tuesdays at 7 pm.

Email Cassandra@ResurrectionMCC.org, Gospel Ensemble Director, or Reed@ResurrectionMCC.org, Sanctuary Choir Director, for more information. Or, just join us at rehearsal!

NEWCOMERS  
WELCOME RECEPTION



MAY 13
 12:30 PM, Gathering Place

Are you new to Resurrection MCC? If you have begun attending 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.

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



**HeavenSound
 Handbells**

**Sundays
 1:30 - 3:30 pm
 Sanctuary**

Currently there are several open spots in our handbell choir. Those interested should have some music reading skills. Experience in ringing is not required. Join us on Sundays for our rehearsals or send questions to

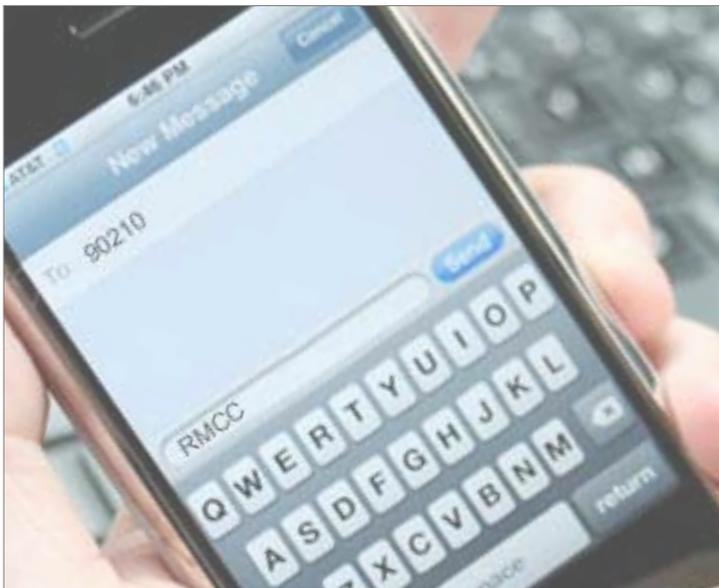
Handbells@ResurrectionMCC.org

Children's Choir Rehearsal



Sundays
10:30 am - 10:55 am
Activities Building #104
Ages: 4 and up welcome

If you have questions. Please contact Jules or Eve at
ChildrensChoir@ResurrectionMCC.org



Use your cellphone to send a text to
90210 with **RMCC**
as the message to be signed up for our text alerts.

We'll text you no more than once a week to provide information on opportunities to embody the love of God in the world and to engage you on your journey of spiritual development.

Get Connected to a **First Impressions Ministry**

Concierge Desk

Laurie Christensen

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, provides them with a free gift, and helps them get connected.

Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Bookstore

Kecia Bullock

Inspirations@ResurrectionMCC.org

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

Ushers

Rev. Michael Diaz

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

Laurie Christensen

Welcome@ResurrectionMCC.org

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

We welcome people to the church and help them get 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
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org
or 713-861-9149 x105.**

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Sunday Worship
now interpreted into
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Kids Communicate God's Love Every Fifth Sunday!



Allow your kids to experience the joy of giving! Register your kids to serve during Fifth Sunday services in the Sanctuary today. Every fifth Sunday, our students have the opportunity to serve as ushers, greeters, and eucharistic ministers. Experience the greatness of our kids!

Register on Sundays in the Activities Building after Children's Church, or email Joel@ResurrectionMCC.org

YOGA CONNECTIONS

Every Tuesday
7 - 8:30 pm | Activities Building

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

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.



PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

TOWN HALL MEETING

**SUNDAY, MAY 6
12:30 - 1:30 PM
ACTIVITIES BLDG.**

See the Senior Pastor profile and Candidate Packet!

PSC WEB PAGE UPDATED:

Please visit the Pastoral Search Committee (PSC) Web page for new or updated information. Simply go to www.ResurrectionMCC.org and click on the Pastoral Search Committee Logo or on the "Committee Updates" link. This Web page is the Committee's primary source of communication and will be updated throughout our process. We ask that you keep the PSC in your prayers. Specific questions about the process may be emailed to PSC@ResurrectionMCC.org.

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Board Member on Duty

Debbie Skelly and Daniel Guerrero

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

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 have moved the dumpsters up front in the parking lot by the apartment complex.

Wellness Center

2025 W. 11th Street

Weekly Tip:

Do your muscles get emotional?

Wondering why those muscle knots keep coming back no matter how many times you get a massage, stretch or take a hot bath? Working and sleeping in healthy positions but still ending up with pain at the end of the day? The answer may lie in your emotional state. The latest research has proven that the release of stress hormones when we are feeling depressed, scared, frustrated, anxious or angry can really do a number on our muscles. Try changing your outlook by employing relaxation techniques that heal you from the inside out, such as slow, deep breathing or keeping a "gratitude journal." Your muscles will thank you!



Tammy S. Fountain, LPC
832-863-8221

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Dr. Juanita Hicks, DC, LMT
832-725-5485

*Chiropractic, massage & acupuncture.
Ask for MCC rates.*



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 or call 713-861-9149 x112.

Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended April 22, 2012

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$11,887.08	\$295,052.30
Total Amount Anticipated	\$18,846.15	\$310,961.54
Total Giving Variance		(\$15,909.24)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$17,356.02	
Cash Flow Need	\$17,307.69	(A)
Ministry Plan Need	\$18,846.15	(B)

Cash Flow Need is the minimum amount needed each week to fund our basic ministry obligations: staff, property, operations and debt (i.e., the minimum amount needed to keep the doors open each Sunday)

Ministry Plan Need is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2012 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives (i.e., the amount needed to make ministry happen)

The difference between making ends meet and making ministry happen is just an additional \$1,538.46 each week in tithes and offerings (B-A).

This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY APRIL 29

9:00 am	40th Anniversary Worship	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:30 am	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Activities Building
11:00 am	40th Anniversary Worship	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Anniversary Reception	Activities Building
12:30 pm	Meet You on the Journey	Activities Building
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary
1:30 pm	Jubilee Theatre Rehearsal	Music Room

MONDAY APRIL 30

7:00 pm	Love Wins: Rob Bell Book Study	Gathering Place
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TUESDAY MAY 1

6:00 pm	Music Ministry Meeting	Music Room
6:30 pm	Mark Brown "Meet & Greet"	Music Room/Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Night Court 2012 Rehearsal	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Yoga Connections	Activities Building
7:30 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Music Room
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY MAY 2

7:00 pm	The Chalice: Living Spirit	Chapel
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THURSDAY MAY 3

6:00 pm	Praise & Worship Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Design Team	Sanctuary

FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED MAY 4

No Events Scheduled

SATURDAY OFFICE CLOSED MAY 5

No Events Scheduled

SUNDAY MAY 6

9:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:30 am	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Activities Building
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Pastoral Search Committee Town Hall	Activities Building
12:30 pm	Sunday Friendraiser Brunch	Activities Building
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary
1:30 pm	Jubilee Theatre Rehearsal	Music Room