



# Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

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Prelude / Preludio

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*Nothing To Lose With Jesus*  
Words and Music by Augustin Paz

Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Announcements / Anuncios

Mark Eggleston

+ Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

+ Gathering Song: I Know Who I Am

+ Invocation / Invocación

Gloria Marrero

One: How blessed we are God, that you hold nothing against us. You know all of our assets and our deficits, our triumphs and trials, the best and the worst and still You love us just the same.

**ALL: We surrender all of our truth to You, oh God, our solace and our strength.**

One: How blessed we are that You pardon all of our transgressions. You wipe away the faults that we lift up to You and the ones that we try to hide.

**ALL: We surrender all of our truth to You, oh God, our solace and our strength.**

One: How blessed we are that when our soul is parched and yearning for the living waters, that Your grace restores us to new life and the joy of salvation.

**ALL: We surrender all of our truth to You, oh God, our solace and our strength.**

One: How blessed we are that we are delivered in You despite our silence, for we cannot deceive You as we do ourselves and others. Your unconditional love provides comfort, protection, and cleansing.

**ALL: We surrender all of our truth to You, oh God, our solace and our strength.**

One: How blessed we are God that we can trust you explicitly with all that we have been, all that we are, and all that we will ever be. You will always guide our path and walk beside us when we lose our way.

**ALL: We surrender all of our truth to You, oh God, our solace and our strength.  
Amen.**

## The David Series

As humans we struggle to live in right relationship with others. The David Series will explore our unfortunate inclination toward self-centered, shame-based behaviors which perpetuate fear, aggression, and violation in our relationships with others. Looking to David's struggles with his own humanity in light of his persistent yearning for God, we find they illumine our own challenges as well as the power of God's grace to make way for authenticity, integrity, accountability and mutuality in our loves. "Like sand through the hourglass, so are the Davids of our lives ..."

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

## + Opening Song / Apertura Canción

### *Friend Of God*

Who am I that You are mindful of me,  
How You hear me, when I call.  
Is it true that You are thinking of me?  
How You love me! It's amazing!

*I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God;  
You call me friend!  
I am a friend of God.  
I am a friend of God;  
You call me friend!*

God Almighty, Lord of Glory,  
You have called me friend.

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## Contemporary Reading

Daniel Guerrero

### *Finding Inner Courage*

by Mark Nepo

Throughout time, the role of consciousness and compassion in our lives has been to help us face our own experience and demons, to face the undiscovered country in ourselves. Largely, so we won't hurt each other. Indeed, the original meaning of the Muslim word *jihad* is to *face one's own demons*. This is the holy war. Without the ability to face our own demons, we often seek revenge rather than feel what is ours to feel. For vengeance is a powerful distraction from accepting the legitimate suffering that arises from the wheel of life; an acceptance that can make kindred spirits of us all, if we let it.

And so I feel compelled to inquire into the art of facing things—facing ourselves, each other, and the unknown. It is something we cannot do without, for facing things is what courage, at its most fundamental level, is all about. Without this, we replay and pass our suffering on to others repeatedly...and every time we face our own pain at being broken, we dissolve the heart's need to relive the break.

## Praying The Psalms

Reed Hoke

### *Psalm 51*

Text Psalm 51

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

## + Scripture Lesson / Escritura Lección

Eli'jah Carroll

### *2 Samuel 11:26-12:13*

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little

## The Psalms

The Psalms of David are both universal and eternal. Invoked to bless, as well as to curse, to comfort and instruct, to lament and inspire, they span the gamut of human emotions from ecstasy to despair, indignation to remorse, grief to relief, fear to awe, and rage to love.

The Psalms were written by humans to God, by humans to humans, and by God to humans. Used extensively in both Jewish and Christian prayer services, they can be recited by an individual in private, used by a teacher to instruct, or proclaimed by a leader to inspire. One hundred and fifty compositions make up the Book of Psalms. Known familiarly as The Psalms of David, their composition spans almost 950 years. Of the six known composers, David is by far the most prolific.

ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the Lord.' Nathan said to David, 'Now the Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die.'

**Anthem / Himno**

Gospel Ensemble

*I Speak Life*  
by Donald Lawrence

**Engage / Sermón**

Rev. Janice Ladd

*David and Nathan: What Goes Around...Comes Around*

**Congregational Response / Respuesta Congregacional**

*God Is So Good*  
by Traditional (Author unknown)

God is so good, God is so good,  
God is so good, O so good to me.

**We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda**

Devon Avery

**Offertory / Ofertorio**

Gospel Ensemble

*Li'l David, Play on Yo' Harp*  
Arrangement by Charles S. Brown

**Communion / Comunión**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

**Communion**

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

### *Abide With Me*

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see—  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

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### *You Are Welcome*

*Holy Spirit, You are welcome.*

*You are welcome here*

*Holy Spirit, You are welcome.*

*You are welcome here.*

*Open the windows to all of heaven  
And let Your blessings flow.*

*Holy Spirit, You are welcome*

*You're welcome here.*

O holy sovereign God,  
My portion and my love,  
You are welcome,  
Lord, You are welcome here.

My Day Spring from on high,  
My Lord, my Adonai,  
You are welcome,  
Lord, You are welcome here.

Holy, holy, holy, holy, You are welcome  
Lord, You are welcome here!  
Holy, holy, holy, holy, You are welcome,  
Lord, You are welcome here!

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

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

+ **Benediction / Bendici3n**

Rev. Janice Ladd

**Postlude / Postludi3**

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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 those who suffer under the weight of oppressive systems, being guided always by our commitment to Global Human Rights.

**Worship** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am  
**Children & Youth Worship** | Sunday, 11 am  
**Nursery** | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

### Resurrection MCC

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# 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 . . .



## SEXUAL SALVATION II: QUEER CHRISTIAN SEXUAL ETHICS

WEDNESDAYS

# JULY 18, 25

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

Most of Christianity has taught that our sexuality is counter to our spirituality – and not just for LGBTQ people, but for everyone! Our first Sexual Salvation series considered what a theology of “sexual salvation,” a sexuality-affirming faith, could look like. By popular demand we are offering this second series to explore in greater depth what it could mean to claim, develop, and personally practice queer Christian sexual ethics. A basic understanding of scholarship regarding the Bible and homosexuality will be assumed and will not be specifically addressed. Attendance at the first Sexual Salvation series is helpful, but not required. Join us for one, some or all sessions!

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## SEX, LIES, VIDEOTAPE:

# The Davids of our Lives

## VIDEOTAPE: JULY 15

Rev. Janice Ladd

David and Nathan: self reflection and conviction in relationship - accountability

## THE DAVID DRAMA: JULY 22

Andrea Ferguson

David and Community: learning to live in right relationship – mutuality

As humans we struggle to live in right relationship with others. The David series will explore our unfortunate inclination toward self-centered, shame-based, behaviors which perpetuate fear, aggression, and violation in relation with others. We will let David's stories illuminate these human struggles despite his persistent yearning for right relationship with God. Reflecting on what it takes to live in right relationship with self, others and God ... We find that "like sand through the hourglass, so are the Davids of our lives."



EVERY TUESDAY

**JULY 17**

7 pm, Gathering Place

## Rainbow of Hope Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous is a 12 step recovery program that offers hope and freedom from active addiction in a safe space for the LGBTQ community. This support group meets regularly in order to help each other learn a new way of life through sharing their experience, strength, and hope. Anyone is welcome to come and learn more. For more information - 832-326-6330



## OUT TO BRUNCH

SATURDAY | 10 am - NOON

**JULY 21**

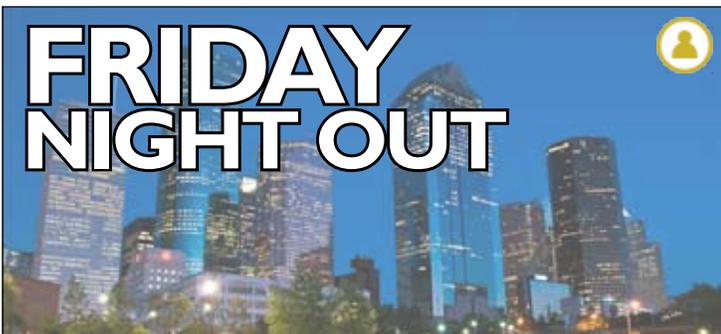
### HARRY'S RESTAURANT

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All are invited to join our sober social group for brunch each month. Whether you're sober yourself, a supporter, or simply someone who prefers coffee to Mimosas with your brunch, come meet new friends, and those you may already know, for brunch!

RSVP at [Facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC](https://www.facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC) or [OUTtoBrunch@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:OUTtoBrunch@ResurrectionMCC.org)



## FRIDAY NIGHT OUT

FRIDAY • 7 pm

**JUNE 27**

### Baba Yega

2607 Grant Street, Houston 77006

713-522-0042

[www.babayega.com](http://www.babayega.com)

Join us at Baba Yega Restaurant for another Friday evening filled with food, fun and friends. To help ensure that we have adequate seating, we ask that you please RSVP and let us know if you will be attending. As always, friends and family (including children) are welcome!

Details and RSVP on [Facebook.com/Events](https://www.facebook.com/Events) or [FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org).



## YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH

SUNDAY

**JULY 22**

12:30 pm

### Java Java

911 West 11th St, Houston 77008

713-880-5282

[www.javajavahouston.com](http://www.javajavahouston.com)

The Young Adults of Resurrection MCC invites everyone ages 18 - 35 to join them for a fun brunch after church and a chance to make new friends and reconnect with those you may already know.

Details and RSVP on [Facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC](https://www.facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC) or [YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org).

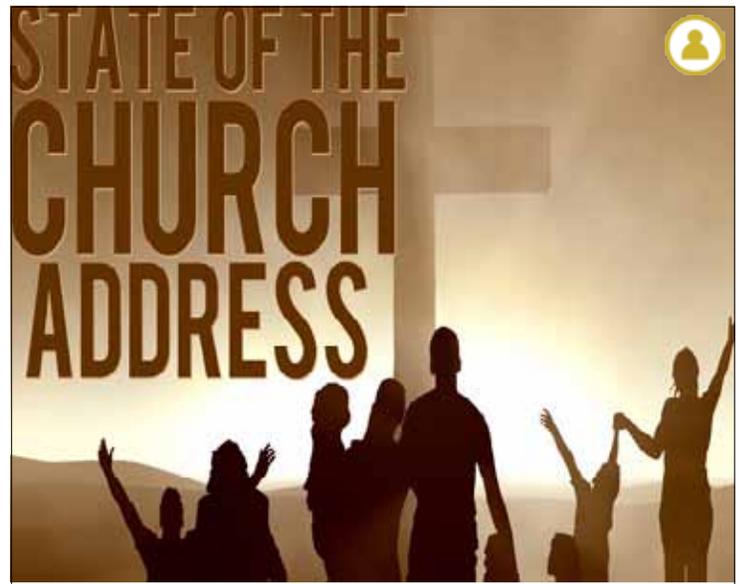


## YOUNG ADULTS: Wisdom is Power Workshop

SATURDAY  
**JULY 28**

10 am - 3 pm, Gathering Place

If you are between the ages of 18 and 35 years, join others your age with young adult lay leader, Kedric Brown, as he introduces this informal but informative opportunity to discover who you are and who you can be in God, together! From studying the Scriptures to sharing your insights about what holds you down and what sets you free, this is sure to be an incredible time of connecting with yourself, God and each other! Contact [YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org) for information and to register!



## STATE OF THE CHURCH ADDRESS

SUNDAY  
**JULY 29**

12:30 pm  
Sanctuary

## MORE TO LIFE: BEYOND CANCER SUPPORT GROUP



**AUGUST 2**  
6:30 - 8 pm, Chapel

Living with - and beyond - a cancer diagnosis is many things, including frightening, confusing, and exhausting. Even so, there are those among us who would add spiritually awakening, deepening, and freeing to the list. This monthly connection group is offered by, with, and for persons who have experienced a cancer diagnosis in their lives. Come and share, no matter where you are on the path: recently diagnosed, pre-treatment, post-treatment, somewhere in the middle, or living in remission. We gather to share spiritual and practical encouragement by sharing our stories, our spiritual insights, our ideas and our resources, together bearing witness that cancer is only part of our journey; with God and each other there truly is more to life!

[MoreToLife@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:MoreToLife@ResurrectionMCC.org)

## SITCOM SPIRITUALITY: GOSPEL 70'S STYLE



WEDNESDAYS  
**AUGUST 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**  
7 - 8:30 pm, Gathering Place

In 30-minute increments, the sitcoms of the 70's such as Good Times, All in the Family, Sanford and Son, MASH, and The Jeffersons, made people consider who is our "neighbor" and how are we to live with our "neighbors" much less love them? With an incredible blend of humor and prophetic truth-telling, these sitcoms shed light-hearted insight into Jesus' gospel message! Join us - and Edith, Archie, JJ, Hawkeye, Radar, Lamont, Louise and more - as we consider loving God with all that we are, and our neighbor as ourselves ... 70's style! Join us for one, some or all sessions; all welcome! [RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# NURSERY PLAY: WATER DAY



SUNDAY  
**AUGUST 5**  
9 & 11 am, Outside

What do you get when you cross Jesus' invitation to enter the kingdom as little children and John's call to be baptized? Nursery Water Play Day at church! Hosted by the Resurrection MCC Nursery, our little ones (from infant through 3-years) will enjoy age-appropriate and supervised water play with wading pools, slip-n-slides, water balloons, and water squirters. Have your nursery-age bundle of joy dressed for success, with swimwear or other water-welcome wear! Available for Nursery children during both the 9 and 11 am worship services. Contact Nursery Coordinator Debbie Mansfield at [Nursery@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Nursery@ResurrectionMCC.org) for more information.

# NEWCOMERS WELCOME RECEPTION



**AUGUST 5**  
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.

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# Get Connected to a **First Impressions Ministry**

## Concierge Desk

*Laurie Christensen*

[Concierge@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto>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](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org) or 713-861-9149 x105.**

# 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.

## TEEN GROUP

13-17 years

Youth Ministry also includes:

- SPROUTS • 4 - 6 years
- FAITH BEGINNINGS • 7 - 9 years
- FAITH EXPLORERS • 10 - 12 years

Sign up in Activities Building starting at 10:45 am

# ¡DOMINGOS!

## SERVICIO RELIGIOSO SE INTERPRETA EN ESPAÑOL

### A LAS 11 AM.

Sunday Worship now interpreted into Spanish at 11 am.

## LOVE THY NEIGHBOR T-SHIRTS \$15

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

- THY HOMELESS NEIGHBOR
- THY JEWISH NEIGHBOR
- THY BLACK NEIGHBOR
- THY GAY NEIGHBOR
- THY UNDOCUMENTED NEIGHBOR
- THY WHITE NEIGHBOR
- THY TRANSGENDER NEIGHBOR
- THY CHRISTIAN NEIGHBOR
- THY HIV+ NEIGHBOR
- THY RACIST NEIGHBOR
- THY ADDICTED NEIGHBOR
- THY ATHEIST NEIGHBOR
- THY IMPRISONED NEIGHBOR
- THY DISABLED NEIGHBOR
- THY MUSLIM NEIGHBOR

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**\$20** NEW LOVE THY NEIGHBOR SHIRTS. BLACK, LONG-SLEEVE T-SHIRT, CREW NECK.

# 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](mailto:Yoga@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

**PSC Web Page:** Please visit the Pastoral Search Committee (PSC) Web page for new information and monthly updates. Simply go to [www.ResurrectionMCC.org](http://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](mailto:PSC@ResurrectionMCC.org).

## 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](mailto:Joel@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.

### 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.

### Board Member on Duty

Debbie Skelly and Daniel Guerrero

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

Advertise with us.  
As low as \$25 / week.  
[Ads@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Ads@ResurrectionMCC.org)

## General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended July 8, 2012

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$12,188.78	\$465,900.32
Total Amount Anticipated	\$18,846.15	\$518,269.23
Total Giving Variance		(\$52,368.91)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$16,639.30	
Cash Flow Need	\$17,307.69	(A)
Ministry Plan Need	\$18,846.15	(B)
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	497	518
Programming	69	110
Total Weekly Attendance	566	627

**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

<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>JULY 15</b>
9:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	<i>Chapel</i>
10:15 am	Music Ministry Meeting	<i>Music Room</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
11:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>JULY 16</b>
No Events Scheduled		
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>JULY 17</b>
6:00 pm	Praise & Worship Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
7:00 pm	Rainbow of Hope NA Group	<i>Gathering Place</i>
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 pm	Yoga Connections	<i>Activities Building</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>JULY 18</b>
6:30 pm	Special Music Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Sexual Salvation II	<i>Gathering Place</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>JULY 19</b>
6:30 pm	Special Music Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:30 pm	OUT Later: Support for Gay Fathers	<i>Gathering Place</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>JULY 20</b>
<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>		
No Events Scheduled		
<b>SATURDAY</b>		<b>JULY 21</b>
<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>		
9:00 am	Goal Planning and Team Alignment	<i>Gathering Place</i>
10:00 am	OUT to Brunch with Bill	<i>Harry's Restaurant</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>JULY 22</b>
9:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	<i>Chapel</i>
10:15 am	Music Ministry Meeting	<i>Music Room</i>
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	<i>Activities Building</i>
11:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	Young Adult Brunch	<i>Java Java</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>