



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

July 29, 2012

Prelude / Preludio

Awakening
by Chris Tomlin

Praise Band

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: We Are One Community



We are one com-mun-i - ty with a mis-sion we'll be hands and feet of God a-

bove in our world we're bear-ing love. Keep-ing love with-in our sight e-ver

bring-ing in the light We are one com-mun-i - ty with a mis-sion we'll be.

+ Invocation / Invocación

from Children's Ministry

ALL: We will open our home;
 We will set the table;
 We will invite the people.
 We will stand our ground;
 We will know what we know;
 We will break open the Word,
 and break the bread.
 We will tell the truth;
 We will welcome everyone;
 We will not give up,
 in Jesus' name!

Rev. Elder Nancy Wilson, adapted

Take This Bread Sermon Series

Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost."
 John 6:12-13

What happens when we encounter the bread from heaven at a radically inclusive "open table?" For Sara Miles, a self-proclaimed blue-state, secular intellectual, lesbian, left-wing journalist, it meant conversion! For upon her first Communion, everything changed. She still can't fully explain the feelings that arose during her first Communion. In her book, *Take this Bread*, she says, "Holy Communion knocked me upside down and forced me to deal with the impossible reality of God." She realized that "what I'd been doing with my life all along was what I was meant to do: feed people" and started a food pantry in her gritty San Francisco neighborhood. The journey from skeptical secularist to devout Christian was long, complicated, and often convoluted, but the story she makes of it is engaging, funny, and highly entertaining, including many surprises as well as the occasional wrong turn.

During this series, we reflect on Chapter 6 of the Gospel of John and unfold our common stories of conversion, transformation, and the "unboundaried body of Christ."

+ Please rise in body or spirit.

+ Opening Song / Apertura Canción

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!*

I stand in awe of You. I stand in awe of You.

by Mark Altrogge
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Sara Miles

Sara Miles is the founder and director of The Food Pantry, and serves as Director of Ministry at St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church in San Francisco. Her books include Jesus Freak: Feeding Healing Raising the Dead and Take This Bread: A Radical Conversion. She speaks, preaches and leads workshops around the country, and her writing has appeared in the New York Times Magazine, the New Yorker, and on National Public Radio.

Contemporary Reading

from Children's Ministry

Take This Bread

by Sara Miles

Everywhere I saw bodies, and food. It turned out that the prerequisite for conversion wasn't knowing how to behave in church, or having a religious vocabulary or an a priori "belief" in an abstract set of propositions: It was hunger, the same hunger I'd always carried. Holy communion knocked me upside down and forced me to deal with the impossible reality of God. Faith for me didn't provide a set of easy answers or certainties: it raised more questions than I was ever comfortable with. The bits of my past - family, work, war, love - came apart as I stumbled into church, then reassembled, through the works communion inspired me to do, into a new life centered on feeding strangers: food and bodies, transformed. I wound up not in what church people like to call "a community of believers" - which tends to be code for a "like-minded club" - but in something huger and wilder than I had ever expected: the suffering, fractious, and unboundaried body of Christ.

Prayer of the People

Rev. Janice Ladd

Prayer of Saint Francis

- One: Mystery beyond our knowing, create in us an urgency to serve our neighbor throughout the world, who live and die in poverty and hunger. Give them through our hands, this day, their daily bread, and by our understanding love, give peace and joy.
- ALL: **Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith.**
- One: We pray for your vision of enough; enough sustenance, enough warmth, enough healing for all of your children. Lord, make us an instrument of your peace.
- ALL: **Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy.**
- One: O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love.
- ALL: **For it is in giving that we receive. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen.**

John 6:1-21

After being questioned by the religious leaders in Jerusalem, Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.' When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

Anthem / Himno

Soloist - Steven Shannon
and Praise Band

This Is The Moment

Words by Leslie Bricusse & Music by Frank Wildhorn

Engage / Sermón

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Take This Bread: The Impossible Reality of God**Congregational Response / Respuesta Congregacional*****We Are One In The Spirit***

We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Lord.

We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Lord.

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored. Chorus

*And they'll know we are Christians by our love, By our Love,
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

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We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda

Debbie Skelly
Board of Director of Pride Charities, Inc.

Pride Charities, Inc.

Pride Charities, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization formed by Resurrection MCC several years ago. Pride Charities' purpose is community outreach and service, working hand-in-hand with Resurrection. As a non-profit organization instead of a religious organization, Pride is able to pursue certain funding opportunities that are not available to religious entities, including many grants. Many churches, especially churches of our size, have similar non-profit organizations.

Over the past several years, Pride has quietly operated, providing additional funding for our Food Pantry via Pride Charities' Bingo license and donations from various organizations who prefer to support benevolent activities without contributing to a religious entity. Our Food Pantry has been able to serve hundreds of additional clients each year through Pride Charities' financial support.

At this time, Pride Charities is strategically planning to develop additional avenues for outreach and service, while staying in alignment with Resurrection's mission and goals. Community needs are being assessed and outside funding opportunities are being investigated. During the month of August, Pride Charities is partnering with Resurrection with several community-outreach events.

Please keep Pride Charities in your prayers through this planning stage as its path is discerned. For more information, please feel free to contact any member of Pride Charities' Board of Directors: Craig Felderhoff, Debbie Skelly, Rev. Janice Ladd, Mark Eggleston, Gemma Burns, Brenda Daugherty, Adam Garcia, Rev. Terri Steed.

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 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.

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.

Offertory / Ofertorio

Joel Hammett

Postludium, Op. 13

by Dohnáyi

Communion / Comunión

Douglas Harris

Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunión

One Bread, One Body

*One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.*

Gentile or Jew,
Servant or free,
Woman or man,
No more.

Many the gifts,
Many the works,
One in the Lord
Of all.

Grain for the fields,
Scattered and grown,
Gathered to one,
For all.

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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.*

I'm lost without you,
I'm lost without you.

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+ Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias

Douglas Harris

+ Benediction / Bendición

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Postlude / Postludió

Praise Band

We Praise Your Name

by Jonathan Stockstill

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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

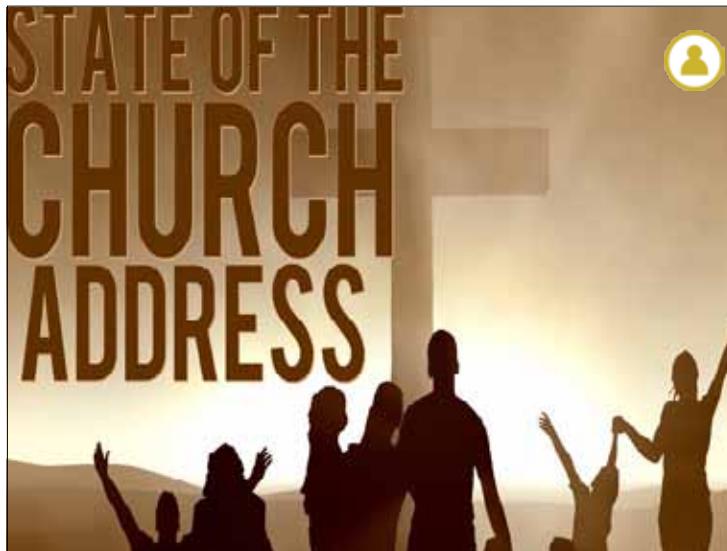
I'm quieting my life to hear God's voice.
I'm in a place of inner spiritual attentiveness ...

SERVING

I'm feeling the need to give of myself. I'm in a place of living my faith in caring for others ...

PREPARING

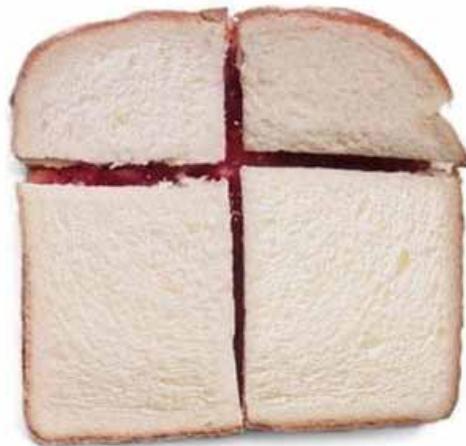
I'm deepening my faith journey. I'm in a place of responsiveness to God's call in my life ...



TODAY

12:30 pm • Sanctuary

Join the Resurrection MCC Board of Directors, Pastoral Search Committee, Facility Committee and Executive Team and hear updates on the exciting ministry that has been accomplished in the second quarter of 2012.



TAKE THIS BREAD

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Food for 500

SUNDAY

AUGUST 5

9 & 11 am

Bring donations and place in Sanctuary

Tuna or Chicken (pouch)
Fruit Cup (small, plastic tub)
Vienna Sausages (flip-top can)
Peanut Butter Crackers (small plastic 6-pack)
Pudding Cup (small, plastic)
Cereal or Granola Bar

Items should not require a can opener.

SATURDAY

AUGUST 11

9 & 10 am

Assemble supplies into individual bags for distribution

SUNDAY

AUGUST 12

9 & 11 am

Take a sack as you leave and give to someone in need

Questions?
Mark@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 for more information.

Rainbow of Hope Narcotics Anonymous

EVERY TUESDAY

JULY 31

7 pm, Gathering Place

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

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

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.

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org

HANK GASPER

ART SHOW



SUNDAY
AUGUST 5

3 - 4:30 pm

Edloe Street Cafe
6119 Edloe Street, Houston 77005
www.edloecafe.com
713-666-4302

Come out, meet the artist, and see these beautiful abstract pieces utilizing mixed media, watercolor and acrylic by artist Hank Gasper. Each piece is 24" x 18" and comes matted and framed for \$150.

100% of the proceeds are being generously donated by the artist to benefit our food pantry.

CHARLES BOTTS MEMORIAL ARCHIVES AND LIBRARY FINDS NEW HOME IN THE COMMUNITY

Local LGBTQ History Collection Gains Greater Accessibility in New Home

The Charles Botts Memorial Archives and Library has found a new home where continued passion and pride in Houston's LGBTQ history will remain at the forefront of preserving this precious collection of history within our community. For nearly twenty years, Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church had been the home of the Charles Botts Memorial Archives and Library. While the collection is now being relocated to a new home locally, it will continue to remain available for research in a location more suitable to showcase it. The collection of books, papers and memorabilia will remain together and the "Charles Botts" name will remain attached to the collection.

Over the last twenty years, the church has honored, preserved and expanded the collection of history it acquired from Charles Botts, a long-time church member and gay history enthusiast for the local LGBTQ community. Rev. Janice Ladd, Executive Pastor at Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church recalls, "This collection found its beginnings from the passion of one individual, Charles Botts, who knew our stories are the seeds of our hope. So many of these stories would have been lost if not for his calling to collect and preserve them. Our thanks to the volunteers led by Larry Criscione, Leif Hatlen, and the late Mike Kelley who have continued in that passion and have dedicated countless days to ensure the community would have their heritage intact. We are grateful that this collection and the stories of the LGBTQ community will be in the continued care of those who hold the same passion and commitment to keep them alive."

"Building upon forty years of outreach and service to our community, relocating the Charles Botts Memorial Archives and Library enables Resurrection MCC to continue to expand our service and ministry in the community," said Mark Eggleston, Director of Outreach at Resurrection MCC. "We will utilize this space by enlarging our food pantry, clothes closet, and other mission-related activities."

MORE TO LIFE: BEYOND CANCER SUPPORT GROUP



THURSDAY
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



BINGO NIGHT AT BIG TEX BINGO

FRIDAY
AUGUST 3

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.



IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY
AUGUST 4
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.

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FOOD PANTRY SHOPPING LIST

- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Canned Meats
(chicken, tuna, vienna sausages, spam)
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Soups
- Canned Chili
- Spaghetti Noodles & Sauce
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Tuna & Hamburger Helper
- Mashed Potatoes (instant)
- Beans
(one pound bags or canned)
- Rice (one pound bags)
- Breakfast Cereal
- Milk
(individual powdered packets or evaporated)
- Cornbread Mix
- Saltine Crackers
- Oatmeal
- Grits
- Jello

Our food pantry provides nourishment to dozens of our neighbors each week. Please pick up some of these nonperishable items on your next grocery trip and place them in the shopping cart (located in the Welcome Area) on Sunday.



Who Are We?

Coming Together

Who is Resurrection Metropolitan Community Church and why does it matter?

We are the largest MCC congregation out of over 200 MCC churches worldwide. We have an average weekly attendance of over 600.

We are a ***Professional* size church (400-800). Only 8% of all U.S. churches are the size of Resurrection MCC.

We are transforming an average of 100 lives each week through spiritual programs. We are welcoming an average of 515 each week into the presence of God through our passionate worship.

We mobilize over 200 volunteers each month in active ministry. We serve 52 families each week through our Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, and AIDS benevolence outreach.

53% of us have been attending worship services at Resurrection MCC for less than 5 years.

57% of us are ages 45-64.

37% of us have children.

45% of us regularly give 5% or more of our net income to Resurrection MCC.

86% of us experience God's presence during worship

71% of us have a sense of excitement about our congregation's future... ***we are POISED FOR GREATNESS!***

All this matters because Resurrection MCC is doing GOD'S WORK!

Above % statistics are from the results of the U.S. Congregational Life Survey taken by Resurrection MCC in February 2012.

***taken from "Inside the Large Congregation" by Susan Beaumont*

This is the first in a series of informational moments to be provided by the RMCC Pastoral Search Committee.



PASTORAL
SEARCH
COMMITTEE



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 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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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

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 or call 713-861-9149 x112.

Board Member on Duty

Elisa Vega-Burns and Daniel Guerrero
Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended July 22, 2012

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$14,156.94	\$497,043.04
Total Amount Anticipated	\$18,846.15	\$555,961.54
Total Giving Variance		(\$58,918.50)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$16,568.10	
Cash Flow Need	\$17,307.69	(A)
Ministry Plan Need	\$18,846.15	(B)
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	474	515
Programming	119	112
Total Weekly Attendance	593	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).

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SUNDAY		JULY 29
9:00 am	Sunday Worship	<i>Sanctuary</i>
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	<i>Chapel</i>
10:15 am	Music Ministry Meeting	<i>Music Room</i>
11:00 am	Sunday Worship	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	"State of the Church" Address	<i>Sanctuary</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
2:00 pm	Master Planning Sub Committee	
MONDAY		JULY 30
No Events Scheduled		
TUESDAY		JULY 31
6:00 pm	Praise & Worship Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	<i>Music Room</i>
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 pm	Rainbow of Hope NA Group	<i>Gathering Place</i>
7:00 pm	Yoga Connections	<i>Activities Building</i>
WEDNESDAY		AUGUST 1
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Sitcom Spirituality	<i>Gathering Place</i>
THURSDAY		AUGUST 2
6:00 pm	Special Music Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
6:30 pm	Beyond Cancer Support Group	<i>Chapel</i>
7:30 pm	OUT Later: Support for Gay Fathers	<i>Gathering Place</i>
FRIDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	AUGUST 3
No Events Scheduled		
SATURDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	AUGUST 4
1:00 am	Imani Vida Drum Circle	<i>Gathering Place</i>
SUNDAY		AUGUST 5
9:00 am	Sunday Worship	<i>Sanctuary</i>
9:00 am	Nursery Play: Water Day	<i>Chapel</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	Sunday Worship	<i>Sanctuary</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>