

# Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

August 5, 2012

Prelude / Preludio

Bridgett Vinson

*Please Come*  
by Nichole Nordeman

Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Janice Ladd

Announcements / Anuncios

Mark Eggleston

+ Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz

Rev. Janice Ladd

+ 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

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

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*

+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

## 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."

## 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.

## The Prayer of St. Francis

The first known English translation of the prayer attributed to St. Francis appeared in January 1929 in a Quaker magazine, the *Friends' Intelligencer*. Circulated thereafter as the "Prayer of St. Francis," Mother Teresa of Calcutta made it part of the morning prayers of the Missionaries of Charity, and asked that it be recited when she received the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo in 1979. Archbishop Desmond Tutu, winner of the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize, also declared that it was "an integral part" of his devotions. Our Community Prayers this month are adapted from this profound spiritual meditation.

## Opening Song / Apertura Canción

### *Victory Is Mine*

Victory is mine, victory is mine, Victory today is mine!  
I told Satan get thee behind! Victory today is mine!

Loving is mine, loving is mine, Loving today is mine!  
I told Satan get thee behind! Loving today is mine!

Serving is mine, serving is mine, Serving today is mine!  
I told Satan get thee behind! Serving today is mine!

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### *I Give Myself Away*

*I give myself away, I give myself away  
So You can use me, I give myself away  
I give myself away, So You can use me*

Here I am, Here I stand, Lord, my life is in your hands  
Lord, I'm longing to see, Your desires revealed in me

My life is not my own, To you I belong, I give myself, I give myself to you

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## Contemporary Reading

Marion Kirby

### *Take This Bread*

by Sara Miles

I felt as if anything could happen at the pantry: A homeless girl could walk in with an iguana on her shoulder, a guy could break into tears and make a confession, a woman could start speaking in tongues. All we had to do was open the door. Hundreds of hungry people would walk in. And in the presence of shared food and the immediacy of such visible, common need, visitors could blurt out anything, open themselves to people totally unlike themselves, act out of character. Most important, they could envision becoming part of the handmade and activist project they'd walked into: They saw all the different people working and suddenly could imagine themselves needed, with something to offer. "I've never done anything like this before," a junkie or a shy church lady or an angry street person could say. "But can I help?" It meant mistakes, sure, but also the opening up of genuine participation to all kinds of people. We had homeless guys and women with missing teeth and a couple who only spoke Tagalog come join us; a transsexual with a thick Bronx accent, some teenagers, an ancient Greek woman from across the street, and a dapper man from St. Gregory's choir who came and played the accordion during the pantry. They were all people who, like me, had come to get fed and stayed to help out. Who, like me, took that bread and got changed. We were all converting: turning into new people as we rubbed up against one another.

## Prayer of the People

Rev. Pat Farnan

### *Prayer of Saint Francis*

One: Become bread for us, O God, That we would open the doors of our hearts and lives, To the immediacy of our shared and common need ...

ALL: **Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: Become bread within us, O God, That your impossible reality would suddenly rise between us, As we imagine every one of us hungry, and each with something to share ...

ALL: **Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: That where there is hatred we may bring love, That where there is wrong, we may bring the spirit of forgiveness,

**ALL: Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: That where there is discord, we may bring harmony, That where there is error we may bring truth,

**ALL: Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: That where there is doubt we may bring faith, That where there is despair we may bring hope,

**ALL: Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: That where there are shadows we may bring light, That where there is sadness we may bring joy.

**ALL: Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: Lord, grant that we may seek rather to comfort than to be comforted, To understand than to be understood; to love than to be loved. For it is by forgetting self that one finds. It is by forgiving that one is forgiven, it is by dying that one awakens to eternal life.

**ALL: Lord, make me a channel of thy peace.**

One: Become bread through us, O God, for the life of the world ... Amen

+ **Scripture Lesson / Escritura Lección**

Kedric Brown

***John 6:24-35***

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God has set a seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom God has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is God who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

**Anthem / Himno**

Gospel Ensemble

***Walk With Me & Lord I Know I've Been Changed***

Trad. Spiritual Medley arr. by Min. Jimmie A. Terrell

**Engage / Sermón**

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

***Take This Bread: Get Changed***

**Congregational Response / Respuesta Congregacional**

***Here I Am Lord***

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, If You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.*

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## 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 el 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.

## We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda

Brenda Daughtery  
*Board of Director of Pride Charities, Inc.*

## Offertory / Ofertorio

Gospel Ensemble

### *I Wanna Be Ready*

Trad. Spiritual arr. by Rosephanye Powell

## Communion / Comunión

Mark C. Brown

## Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunión

### *Go Make A Difference*

*Go make a diff'rence, we can make a diff'rence,  
Go make a diff'rence in the world.  
Go make a diff'rence we can make a diff'rence,  
Go make a diff'rence in the world.*

We are the salt in the earth, Called to let the people see,  
The love of God in you and me. We are the light of the world,  
Not to be hidden, but be seen, Go make a diff'rence in the world.

*(Chorus)*

We are the hands of Christ, Reaching out to those in need,  
The face of God for all to see. We are the spirit of hope,  
We are the voice of peace, Go make a diff'rence in the world.

So let You love shine on, Let it shine for all to see.  
Go make a diff'rence in the world.  
And the Spirit of Christ will be with us as we go,  
Go make a diff'rence in the world.

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### *Let There Be Peace On Earth*

Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me.  
Let there be peace on earth, The peace that was meant to be.  
With God as our Creator, Family all are we.  
Let me walk with my family, In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, Let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take, Let this be my solemn vow.  
To take each moment, And live each moment  
With peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me.

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

Mark C. Brown

+ **Benediction / Bendición**

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

**Postlude / Postludió**

Joel Hammett

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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.

**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 . . .

## HANK GASPER ART SHOW



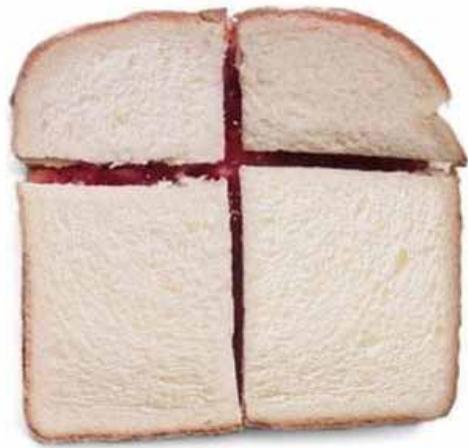
### TODAY

3 - 4:30 pm

Edloe Street Cafe  
6119 Edloe Street, Houston 77005  
[www.edloecafe.com](http://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.*



## TAKE THIS BREAD OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES Feeding The 500

**TODAY**  
**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](mailto:Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# Rainbow of Hope Narcotics Anonymous

EVERY TUESDAY  
**AUGUST 7**  
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

# NURSERY PLAY: WATER DAY



# TODAY

9 & 11 am, Front Yard

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.

# SITCOM SPIRITUALITY: GOSPEL 70'S STYLE



WEDNESDAYS  
**AUGUST 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)

# NEWCOMERS WELCOME RECEPTION



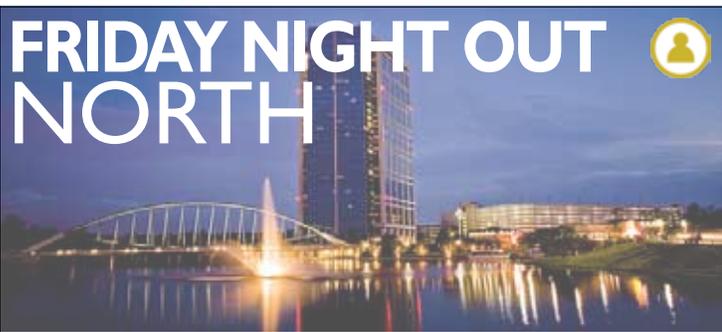
# TODAY

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](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# FRIDAY NIGHT OUT NORTH



FRIDAY, 7 PM

## AUGUST 10

### The Potatoe Patch

2020 FM 1960 Rd E  
Houston, TX 77073  
(281) 443-3530

Make new friends and reconnect with those you know over a shared meal at our newest social gathering, Friday Night OUT North!

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



# SUNDAY FRIEND-RAISER

## AUGUST 12

12:30 pm, Activities Building

# \$6

ENJOY BURGERS AND HOT DOGS!

## 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."

# new MEMBERS CLASS



SATURDAY  
**AUGUST 18**  
9 am - Noon  
Gathering Place

Are you ready to commit to being an active part of the movement that Jesus began 2,000 years ago - a movement of showing God's unconditional love to all people? Join us to discuss the mission, vision, and values of Resurrection MCC as you discover your connection to the world through our affiliation with Metropolitan Community Churches. You'll be introduced to our history, meet other new members, and learn what God is doing in the life of our church. Food will be provided. We welcome you to join our family of faith in purpose, service, and fellowship!

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org

## YMP: BOWLING BONANZA



SUNDAY  
**AUGUST 19**  
12:30 pm, AMF Bowling Lanes

Mr. Joel and our Youth Ministry Program will host this after-church event at AMF Bowling Lanes for our Resurrection MCC families! Young people of all ages, together with their grown-ups (AKA parents), are invited to share some fun and games at the lanes! All are welcome; space reservation would be helpful. Contact Mr. Joel at Youth@ResurrectionMCC.org for more info.

## 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.*

# 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
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# 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.

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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).



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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

Eddie Domingue and Kecia Bullock

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## General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended July 29, 2012

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$13,418.49	\$510,461.53
Total Amount Anticipated	\$18,846.15	\$574,807.69
Total Giving Variance		(\$64,346.16)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$16,466.50	
Cash Flow Need	\$17,307.69	(A)
Ministry Plan Need	\$18,846.15	(B)
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	403	512
Programming	107	112
Total Weekly Attendance	510	624

**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>AUGUST 5</b>
9:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
9:00 am	Nursery Play:Water Day	<i>Front Yard</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>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	Newcomers Welcome Reception	<i>Gathering Place</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 6</b>
No Events Scheduled		
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 7</b>
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>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 8</b>
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Sitcom Spirituality	<i>Gathering Place</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 9</b>
6:00 pm	Special Music Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>
7:30 pm	OUT Later: Support for Gay Fathers	<i>Gathering Place</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>AUGUST 10</b>		
7:00 pm	Friday Night OUT North	<i>The Potatoe Patch</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>AUGUST 11</b>		
9:00 am	"Feeding the 500" Bag Assembly	<i>Sanctuary</i>
9:30 am	Spiritual Leadership Retreat	<i>Gathering Place</i>
<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 12</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>
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
12:30 pm	Meet You on the Journey	<i>Activities Building</i>
12:30 pm	Sunday Friendraiser	<i>Activities Building</i>
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	<i>Sanctuary</i>