



# Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

August 12, 2012

Prelude / Preludio

Reed Hoke

*God Help The Outcasts*

Words by Alan Menken Lyrics by Stephen Schwartz

Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

Announcements / Anuncios

Joy Jolley

+ Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

+ 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 God 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. Janice Ladd

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.

## Prelude

*God Help the Outcasts* is from the animated musical, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. The gypsy Esmerelda sings it to a stained glass window in the image of the Virgin Mary.

## 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.

## Johnna Faber

Johnna grew up in West Virginia, being very involved in the American Baptist Church. After receiving a Masters Degree in Counseling and a Juris Doctor, she practiced law for 25 years, part of which was on active duty as a JAG in the U.S. Navy. In 2000, Johnna found the Church she had been seeking which would allow her to grow as a Christian, and as an openly Queer person, in MCC. Johnna also met her life partner, Andrea Ferguson, in MCC, at about the same time. She has served as a Lay Delegate, on the Board of Directors, as a member of the choir, as an Adult Lesson facilitator, and as a Worship Leader. Johnna and Andrea helped take care of Johnna's parents in the last years of their lives, until they died in 2007. Johnna then felt it was time to stop running from her Call from God and went to Seminary at Lancaster Theological Seminary, graduating in 2011. She and her partner moved to Houston a year ago to participate in year-long Residency programs in Chaplaincy, at different hospitals at the Texas Medical Center. Johnna's immediate goal is to seek ordination with MCC.

## Opening Song / Apertura Canción

### *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Fairest Lord Jesus, lover of all nature,  
O Thou of God and human son:  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,  
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring.  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight  
And all the twinkling starry host.  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,  
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!  
Son of God and one of us!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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## Contemporary Reading

Ken Schroeder

### *Take This Bread*

by Sara Miles

But eating the body of Christ, and drinking his blood, was too much. My own prejudices rose in me. Ignorant about the whole historical sweep of Christianity, I had no particular affection for this figure named "Jesus," no echo of childhood friendly feeling for the guy with the beard and the robes. If I had ever suspected that there was such a force as "God" – mysterious, invisible, "silent as light," in the words of an old hymn – I hadn't bothered to name it, much less eat it, for crying out loud. I certainly had never considered that this force could be identical with a particular Palestinian Jew from Nazareth. So why did communion move me? Why did I feel as if I were being entered and taken over, completely stirred up by someone whose name I'd only spoken before as a casual expletive?

## Prayer of the People

Elisa Vega-Burns

### *Prayer of Saint Francis*

- One: O Holy One, let Your presence stir within us: silent as light, total as night, holy as life, move and have Your being within us ...
- 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: O Holy One, let Your peace reign within us: joyful as play, full as day, gentle as Your way, move and have Your being within us ...
- ALL: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy.**
- One: O Holy One, let Your love alight within us: that we may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love.
- ALL: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. 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.**

**John 6:35-51**

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. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that God gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of God who sent me. And this is the will of God, that I should lose nothing of all that God has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of God, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day." Then the people began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by God who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from God comes to me. Not that anyone has seen God except the one who is from God; he has seen God. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

**Anthem / Himno**

Sanctuary Choir

**Why We Sing**  
by Greg Gilpin

**Engage / Sermón**

Johnna Faber

**Take this Bread: What Kind of Bread is This?**

**Congregational Response / Respuesta Congregacional**

**Pass It On**

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,  
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;  
That's how it is with God's Love, Once you've experienced it,  
You spread the love to everyone, You want to pass it on.

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**We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda**

Gemma Burns  
*Board of Director of Pride Charities, Inc.*

**Offertory / Ofertorio**

Forever Blest

**Midnight Cry**  
by Chuck Day and Greg Day

**Communion / Comunion**

Reed Hoke

**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.

## Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunción

### *I Give You My Heart*

This is my desire, To honor You  
Lord, with all my heart, I worship You  
All I have within me, I give You praise  
All that I adore, Is in You

*Lord, I give You my heart  
I give You my song  
I live for You alone  
Every breath that I take  
Every moment I'm awake  
Lord, have Your way in me*

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### *I Will Rise*

There's a peace I've come to know  
Though my heart and flesh may fail  
There's an anchor for my soul, I can say "It is well"

Jesus has overcome, And the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead

*And I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow, no more pain  
I will rise on eagles' wings  
Before my God fall on my knees  
And rise, I will rise*

There's a day that's drawing near  
When this darkness breaks to light  
And the shadows disappear  
And my faith shall be my eyes

Jesus has overcome, And the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead

*(Chorus)*

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb"  
And I hear the cry of every longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb"

*(Chorus)*

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias

Reed Hoke

### + **Benediction / Bendición**

Johnna Faber

### + **Postlude / Postludió**

Praise Band

### *I Will Follow*

by Jason Ingram, Reuben Morgan, and Chris Tomlin

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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

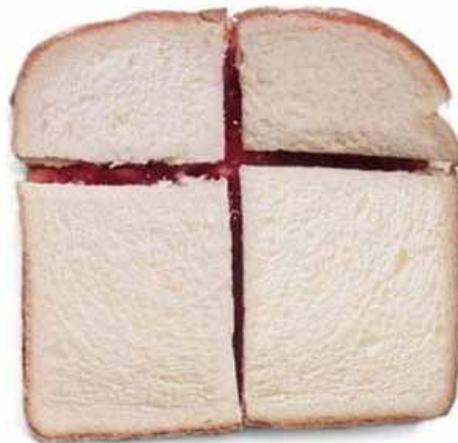
### Resurrection MCC

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## 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.*



## TAKE THIS BREAD

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES  
Feeding The 500

**TODAY**  
**9 & 11 am**

Take a bag with you as you leave today and give to someone in need this week.

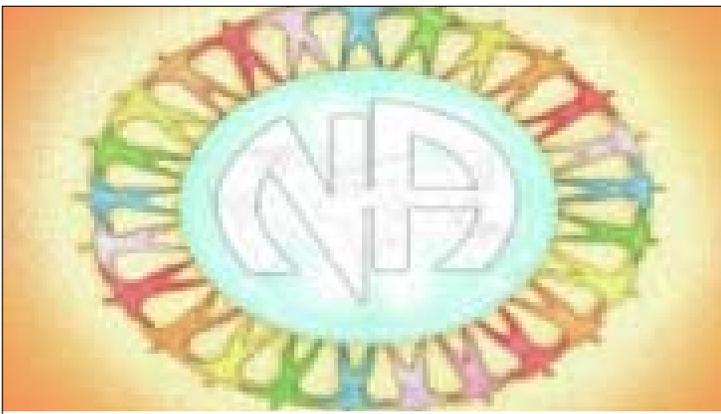
SUNDAY  
**AUGUST 19**  
**9 & 11 am**

Bring donations for our Food Pantry and place them in the Sanctuary.

Items in need may be found on the Food Pantry Shopping List on the left side of this page.

You may also make a cash contribution to our Food Pantry. Simply write "Food Pantry" on the memo line of your check or on the offering envelope and place it in the basket during Worship.

Questions?  
Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org



## Rainbow of Hope Narcotics Anonymous

EVERY TUESDAY  
**AUGUST 14**  
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

# 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)

## SITCOM SPIRITUALITY: GOSPEL 70'S STYLE



WEDNESDAYS  
**AUGUST 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)



## OUT TO BRUNCH

SATURDAY | 10 am - NOON  
**AUGUST 18**

**EMPIRE CAFE**  
1732 Westheimer Rd, Houston 77098  
713-528-5282 [www.empirecafe.com](http://www.empirecafe.com)

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)

# AUDITIONS

## CAFÉ CHRISTMAS

Resurrection MCC's Christmas Musical

### **Auditions**

**Saturdays, August 18 & 25**  
**10 am - Noon, Sanctuary**

Alternate times and dates considered  
on a case by case basis.

### **Audition Information**

Headshot and resume appreciated.

List of previous shows and characters.

Prepare one monologue and 32 bars of one song.

### **Rehearsals**

Saturdays Weekly, 10 am - Noon  
Beginning September 8

### **Performances**

Thursday, December 6, 7 pm  
Friday, December 7, 7 pm  
Saturday, December 8, 4 pm (tentative)

For an audition appointment, please contact  
Mark C. Brown, Director of Worship Arts, 713-927-4802

# 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](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# MUSICAL REVIEW AND ART AUCTION

### **Auditions for Singers & Dancers**

**Saturdays, August 18 & 25**  
**Noon - 1:30 pm, Music Room**

Alternate times and dates considered  
on a case by case basis.

### **Audition Information**

Headshot and resume appreciated.

32 bars of one song or a prepared dance piece.

### **Singers & Dancers**

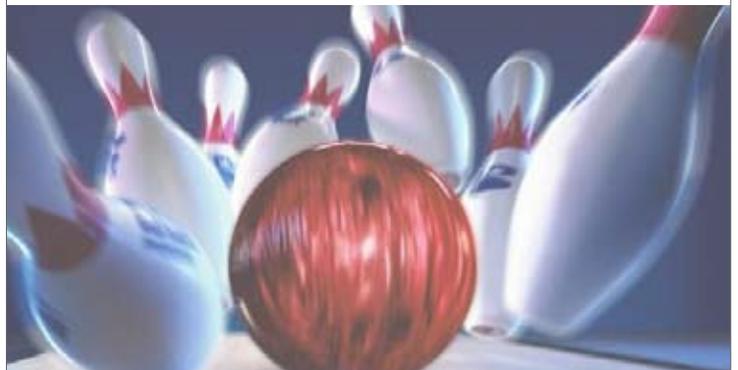
will also be required to serve a light dinner

### **Performance**

Saturday, September 29, 6:30 pm

For an audition appointment, please contact  
Mark C. Brown, Director of Worship Arts, 713-927-4802

## YMP: BOWLING BONANZA



SUNDAY

**AUGUST 19**

12:30 pm, AMF Windfern Bowling Lanes  
14441 Northwest Fwy, Houston 77040

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](mailto:Youth@ResurrectionMCC.org) for more info.

# MEET YOU ON THE JOURNEY

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 19  
12:30 - 1:45 PM  
ACTIVITIES BUILDING**

Featuring our new Fall 2012  
**On The Journey Magazine**  
including exciting details on  
**Resurrection MCC programming**  
from September to December!

**All are invited to...**

Discover your personal  
Spiritual Location.  
Explore ways in 2012 to  
meet God right where you are.  
Share a Spiritual Adventure with  
your Resurrection MCC family.  
Spaghetti lunch available for \$6.



## YOUNG ADULTS END OF SUMMER WATER BASH

SUNDAY  
**AUGUST 19**  
2 - 7 pm, 545 Studewood St, Houston 77007

**CALLING ALL FUTURE AND CURRENT  
COLLEGE STUDENTS OF ALL AGES!**

Come and enjoy some quality fun, food and laughter as we celebrate your successes! The Young Adults of Resurrection MCC would like to invite you to our pool party! Be sure to bring your own towel, chair if needed and a guest if desired. Food and drinks will be served.

Details and RSVP  
Facebook.com/ResurrectionMCC  
YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org

# VOTE RESURRECTION MCC "FAVORITE PLACE TO WORSHIP"

Please take a few moments to complete the online survey today using the link below. Winners published in the October issue. With over 60,000 readers, voting for Resurrection MCC is a quick and easy way to let the Greater Houston area know about our amazing, life-changing community of faith! Vote in just one, a few, or all of the categories. Deadline is August 31, 5 pm.



[www.bit.ly/OutSmart2012](http://www.bit.ly/OutSmart2012)

# 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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**AVAILABLE TODAY**  
 IN INSPIRATIONS COFFEE CAFÉ & BOOK STORE.

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

## Children's Choir Rehearsal

**Sundays Beginning August 26**  
 10:30 am - 10:55 am  
 Activities Building #104  
 Ages: 4 and up welcome

Questions? Please contact Jules or Eve at [ChildrensChoir@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:ChildrensChoir@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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## 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

Mary Wagner and Edwin Kelly

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

## General Fund Giving Report

## For Week and YTD Ended August 5, 2012

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$15,602.87	\$526,064.40
Total Amount Anticipated	\$18,846.15	\$593,653.85
Total Giving Variance		(\$67,589.45)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$16,439.51	
Cash Flow Need	\$17,307.69	(A)
Ministry Plan Need	\$18,846.15	(B)
Attendance		
	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	484	511
Programming	138	113
Total Weekly Attendance	622	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 12</b>
9:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	Sanctuary
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 13</b>
6:30 pm	Facilities Committee Meeting	Gathering Place
6:30 pm	Stewardship Committee Meeting	Work Room
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 14</b>
6:00 pm	Praise & Worship Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Rainbow of Hope NA Group	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Yoga Connections	Activities Building
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 15</b>
7:00 pm	The Chalice: Sitcom Spirituality	Gathering Place
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 16</b>
6:00 pm	Special Music Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	OUT Later: Support for Gay Fathers	Gathering Place
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
7:00 pm	Friday Night OUT North	The Potatoe Patch
<b>SATURDAY</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
9:00 am	New Members Class	Gathering Place
10:00 am	OUT to Brunch	Empire Cafe
10:00 am	Cafe Christmas Auditions	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Musical Review Auditions	Music Room
1:00 pm	Praise Dancers Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>AUGUST 19</b>
9:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Sunday Worship</b>	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Sunday Friendraiser Brunch	Activities Building
12:30 pm	Meet You On the Journey	Activities Building
12:30 pm	YMP: Bowling Bonanza	AMF Bowling Lanes
12:30 pm	Young Adults: Summer Water Bash	545 Studewood St
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary