



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

April 7, 2013

+ Call To Worship

Mark Eggleston

- One: Listen! Wandering from the mountainside – cloud by day fire by night!
ALL: Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.
- One: Wandering through the wilderness – manna falling from heaven!
ALL: Love the LORD your God with all your heart ...
- One: Wandering by way of foreign lands – milk and honey, place of Promise!
ALL: ... and with all your soul and with all your strength.
- One: Wandering in the desert – water pouring forth from rock!
ALL: These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.
- One: Wandering to the Jordan's banks – just as the Lord our God proclaimed!
ALL: Impress them on your children.
- One: Wandering the way of freedom – hear O Israel, and be careful to obey!
ALL: Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road,
- One: Wandering every step remembering – from slavery to who we are today!
ALL: ... when you lie down and when you get up.
- One: Wandering over and over returning – to the Holy to Whom we belong!
ALL: Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.
- One: Wandering with humility – we do not live by bread alone!
ALL: Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.
- One: Wandering we are God's people – journeying with our lives!
And so the story unfolds ..

Prelude / Preludio

Mike Martin

Breathing

Words and Music by Jason Wade and Ronaniello

Our Community Gathers / Nuestra Comunidad Se Reúne

Rev. Troy Plummer Treash

Announcements / Anuncios

Joy Jolley

+ Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz

Rev. Troy Plummer Treash

We Gather

From many places we gather here. This is a high point of our week. We see our friends. We make new friends. And we spend time with The Friend -- the loving Christ who meets us where we are, as we are. In this Sanctuary we worship, and through worship the courage within us is kindled to inspire courageous living beyond this place.

The Shema

During our Invocation today we recite the beginning of the Shema, the central prayer of the Jewish peoples and the heart of Jesus's "Great Commandment." Exclusive fidelity to God and God's unity are the two major concepts of the Shema. The first demands that no system of value--not just another religion but an ideology, art, success, or personal happiness--be allowed to replace God as the ultimate ground of meaning. God's unity, conversely, asserts that all experienced moments of beauty, good, love, and holiness are not in and of themselves; they are disparate and scattered signals of the presence of the one God. "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." How? By intentional mindfulness as we actively seek, choose and teach the truths of God's ways. - Dr. Alan Mintz, abridged

+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

Enter the Story

The Story of God's relationship with the peoples of God is a story which has the power to change our lives! As we experience a truly Living Word in the stories of the Bible texts, both ancient and ever-new, we discover our enduring connection with the Creator of the universe and the many peoples of faith who have gone before us. Realizing each of our stories is part of The Story of revelation – humanity's ongoing encounter with The Holy - God's Story literally comes to life in our lives! Join us as we enter the "big story" of the Bible in worship.

+ Opening Song / Apertura Canción

I Love You Lord Today

I love You, I love You, I love You, Lord, today;
Because You cared for me, In such a special way.

*That's why I praise You, I lift You up,
I magnify Your name; That's why my heart is filled with praise.*

My heart, my mind, My soul belongs to You. You paid the price for me
Way back on Calvary.

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Enter the Story

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

Once enslaved by the Egyptians, God called Moses to lead the Hebrew peoples into freedom. Moses led the Israelites out of bondage and into the desert where they wandered, a free people at last! But as the years passed, the people wandered from gratefulness for God's provision. They complained about God's strange, unknowable ways, and created idols; crafting images of the holy they had known in captivity, they sought a familiar God whose ways they could understand. Jealous for their love, God drew near to the people of God's heart amid fire and clouds of smoke and told them to gather on the mountainside, to return to the God of Life. Though the Israelites were afraid, Moses went up the mountaintop where God gave him commands - holy Words of Life - for this lost and wandering people. Even so, the people went forth to wander foreign lands, seeking not God's guidance but relying instead upon their own way. Moses fell on his face before God, praying for forgiveness of God's fearful and wandering people. Though God forgave them, God despaired at their persistent turning away from the God who chose them and gave them Life. Poised at the edge of the Promised Land, God called forth both blessing and curse upon them that the people would remember their God always, and not wander from God's holy Way ...

Reflective Moment

+ Scripture Lesson / Escritura Lección

Vickey Gibbs

Deuteronomy 30:11 - 20

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe. See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in holy ways, and observing holy commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying and holding fast to God; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Anthem

Gospel Ensemble

I Won't Go Back
by William McDowell

Engage / Sermón

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Unknowing The Way

Moment of Silence

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

We Offer Ourselves

Manuel Diaz

Offertory / Ofertorio

Gospel Ensemble

Seasons
by Donald Lawrence

Prayer of Blessing for Our Gifts

Rev. Troy Plummer Treash

Doxology

Mark C. Brown

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow
by Thomas Ken

Communion / Comunion

Rev. Troy Plummer Treash
Rev. Janice Ladd

Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunion

Bring Many Names

Bring many names, beautiful and good,
celebrate, in parable and story,
holiness in glory, living, loving God.
Hail and hosanna! Bring many names!

Strong mother God, working night and day,
planning all the wonders of creation,
setting each equation, genius at play:
Hail and hosanna, strong mother God!

Warm father God, hugging every child,
feeling all the strains of human living,
caring and forgiving till we're reconciled:
Hail and hosanna, warm father God!
Old, aching God, grey with endless care,

Communion

As we gather, break bread, and tell stories of hope through prayer, song and ritual in the practice we call "communion," we bear witness that "Life is stronger than death. People can change with God's help. And God is worthy of our thanks and praise." All are welcome at the table: you do not need to be a member of this or any church to gather as God's children at the table of Life.

A brief blessing is offered with bread and juice, available to all. Gluten-free bread is offered at the far right; Spanish blessing offered at the far left.

Please honor this time of sacred community with singing, quiet meditation or prayer that we might each receive the spiritual nourishment we seek ...

Comunion

Al reunirnos, partir el pan, y contar historias de esperanza a través de la oración, el canto y el ritual en la práctica que llamamos "comunion", damos testimonio de que "la vida es más fuerte que la muerte. Las personas pueden cambiar con la ayuda de Dios. Y Dios es digno de nuestro agradecimiento y alabanza. "Todos están invitados a la mesa: no es necesario ser miembro de esta iglesia o cualquier reunir como hijos de Dios en la mesa de la Vida.

Una breve bendición se ofrece con el pan y el jugo, al alcance de todos. Pan sin gluten se ofrece en el extremo derecho; bendición españoles ofrecen en el extremo izquierdo.

Por favor respetar este tiempo de comunidad sagrada con canto, la meditación o la oración silenciosa para que podamos recibir cada uno el alimento espiritual que buscamos ...

calmly piercing evil's new disguises,
glad of good surprises, wiser than despair:
Hail and hosanna, old aching God!
Young, growing God, eager, on the move,
saying no to falsehood and unkindness,
crying out for justice, giving all you have:
Hail and hosanna, young, growing God!

Great, living God, never fully known,
joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,
closer yet than breathing, everlasting home:
Hail and hosanna, great, living God!

Lyrics by Brian Wren Tune by Carlton Young
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Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise Christ's name! I'm fixed upon it, Name of God's redeeming love.

Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place;
And I know goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wond'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
God to rescue me from danger, Bo't me with unchanging love.

O to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

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Here I Am Lord

by Craig Courtney and Dan Schutte
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Eat This Bread

Words adapted from John 6 by Robert J Bastastini Music by Jacques Berthier
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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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

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

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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.

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

Rev. Troy Plummer

+ **Benediction / Bendición**

Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

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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

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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



MCC 101

WEDNESDAY • 6:30 PM - 9 PM • GATHERING PLACE

APRIL 10

Ever wonder what MCC is all about? Why do we do what we do? If you'd like to learn more about who we are at Resurrection MCC, please join us for an introductory class called, "MCC 101." We will have the opportunity to discuss the mission, vision, and values of Resurrection MCC, learn more about our history, and learn about different ways people are making an impact in our faith community. If you feel God's call on your heart to do so, at the end of class you will be given the opportunity to become a member. The class is open to those wishing to become members and those who simply want to learn more about Resurrection MCC.

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org

CHILDREN & YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**ONE 11 AM SERVICE...
ONE SUNDAY A MONTH...
COUNTLESS BLESSINGS!**

**Our Nursery young 'uns ages 1 month - Pre K
would love your care!**

**Our Youth school age kids ages 5 - 12 years
would love your attention!**

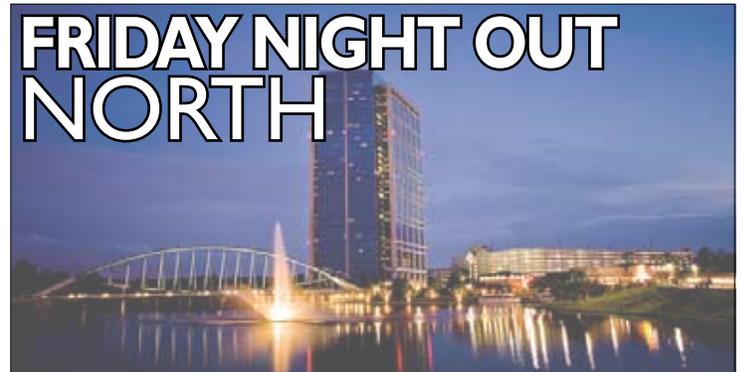
**Our Teens ages 13 - 17 years
would love your company!**

Our families would love your love!

Please consider volunteering to become a Nursery Angel, Teacher's Assistant, or Teen Facilitator Assistant today! Our committed Coordinators and Lead Teachers need your eyes, ears, hands and hearts in ministry with them.

**Contact Nursery@ResurrectionMCC.org,
Youth@ResurrectionMCC.org, or
Teens@ResurrectionMCC.org and join us today -
we need you! It's time for YOU to Get
Your Blessing! Questions to RevKristen@
ResurrectionMCC.org.**

FRIDAY NIGHT OUT NORTH



FRIDAY • 7 pm

APRIL 12

Olive Garden

26715 I-45 North, Spring 77380

281-363-1288

www.olivegarden.com

Join your Resurrection friends on the North side of town for a night filled with good food, good friends and good conversation!

FridayNightOUTNorth@ResurrectionMCC.org



ADOPT-A-BED MEET & GREET

SATURDAY • 10 AM - NOON

APRIL 13

Gathering Place/Outside

Our Adopt-a-Bed folks seem to come by “like a thief in the night”, literally transforming the beds they maintain from drab to fab yet remaining undetected by anyone most of the time. Now it’s time for them to step out of the shadows and meet the folks who beautify our flower beds and landscape! Join us for our Meet & Greet for Adopt-A-Bed beauty-makers, as we share an informal gathering complete with hors d’oeuvres and a campus walk showing off the fruits of their labor - or getting inspired as Spring does her thing! Prospective gardeners, friends, and groupies all welcome!

Joy@ResurrectionMCC.org



JOYFUL SINGING 101:

FRIDAY, **APRIL 12**, 6 - 9 pm, MUSIC ROOM

SATURDAY, **APRIL 13**, 9 am - 5 pm, MUSIC ROOM

Whether you’re a beginning singer or an experienced performer, experience the personal power of finding your voice by conquering the limitations which keep you from singing with joy! Created by voice coach, performer, and “Living Your Voice” innovator Tony Pryor, Joyful Singing 101 combines fundamental vocal technique, creative performance experiences, individual coaching, and small group exercises to guide you through a process focused on support rather than judgment to empower you to take personal risks, actualize your inner voice, and flourish in a world that yearns for authentic expression! Tuition for the weekend workshop is \$190 per person; Friday-evening-only option (for those who want to get a sample of our process) is \$40 per person. Class is limited in size; some sliding scale/scholarships available.

Tony@LivingYourVoice.com



LGBTQ AND FREE

WEDNESDAYS

APRIL 17 & 24

7 - 8:30 pm, Gathering Place

“What does the Bible say about homosexuality?” and “What did Jesus say?” These questions are at the heart of this foundational offering for those seeking to reconcile their experience of God with their understanding of Scripture. Over a series of 3 evenings we will engage a survey of the six “clobber passages” in the Bible through the lens of our personal faith experience, current Biblical scholarship, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



Celebration Choir

Sundays

April 14 & 28,

May 12 & 26, June 9 & 23

10:15 - 10:50 am

Activities Building #104

All our young friends ages 6-14 are invited to join in celebration singing Praise & Worship music. This new group will be lead by Jules Czarnik and Eve Messina. Questions to CelebrationChoir@ResurrectionMCC.org.

21ST ANNUAL TRANSGENDER UNITY BANQUET

Presented by the Houston Transgender Unity Committee



SATURDAY • 6:30 PM - 2 AM

APRIL 20

SHERATON BROOKHOLLOW

3000 North Loop West, Houston 77092

The Houston Transgender Unity Committee hosts the banquet annually to acknowledge and honor their allies and advocates. This is the largest Transgender Community event held in Houston each year and this year's keynote speaker is Susan Stryker, a professor, author, filmmaker, and theorist of gender and sexuality.

Proceeds support the Peggy Rudd Transgender Scholarship Fund, established to help trans-identified students pursuing higher education and named in honor of advocate and educator Dr. Peggy Rudd. Resurrection MCC is proud to be a Platinum Sponsor of the Unity Banquet.

Tickets are \$65 in advance for open seating and are available online at www.bit.ly/HTUC2013

Resurrection MCC is proud to be a Platinum Sponsor of the event. A limited number of sponsored tickets at our table are available. Please contact Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org for information.



Dine Out, Fight AIDS

THURSDAY • 7 PM - 8:30 PM

APRIL 25

CHELSEA GRILL

4621 Montrose Blvd, Houston 77006

www.chelseagrill.com

On Thursday, April 25, restaurants across Houston will unite in the fight against HIV / AIDS. Each restaurant donates at least 25% of food bills all day long. Friday Night OUT has agreed to change their normal night out (just for this month) to THURSDAY, to support this important cause. Have dinner with your Resurrection MCC family and enjoy a fabulously fun night out with delicious food and fellowship, all for a great cause!

AIDS Foundation Houston presents this annual event to raise much needed funds for almost 100,000 people infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. There are over 27,000 men, women, and children in Houston who are infected with HIV and another 20% who are unaware of their status. Between 2006 and 2010, infections in Houston have grown 10%, making Houston the fourth fastest growing HIV+ region. Your help is needed to end new infections and treat those living with the disease. www.diningoutforlife.com/houston

Online registration required to secure a seat.

Event is expected to reach capacity.

www.bit.ly/DOFL-Houston2013

YOGA CONNECTIONS

TUESDAYS

7 - 8 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

Spirit Walk

SATURDAY
APRIL 27

10 am - Noon

Mercer Arboretum & Nature Center

For some, the natural world is most truly the dwelling place of God and time spent in it is time spent in worship. Come and enjoy the easy devotion of a walk among the flowers and trees with friends and let your spirit be refreshed by the simple beauty of creation! We will gather at the front entrance of the Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Gardens <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/>, walk a while, and close by informal sharing and a simple prayer.

Bring a journal, bring a friend, and watch as all of nature joins you and gives your soul a glimpse of the Divine!

Carpooling available. We will leave from the church parking lot at 9:30 am to arrive at Mercer at 10:00 am.

Joy@ResurrectionMCC.org

Online Giving

The mission of Resurrection MCC is to demonstrate God's unconditional love to all people through Christian action. We believe that lives are transformed when people are invited to experience God through the life and ministry of Christ. Financial contributions are obviously very important to the achievement of Resurrection MCC's ministry goals, and we sincerely appreciate the generous offerings that you give faithfully each and every week.

To make it more convenient for you to financially support the ministries of Resurrection MCC, we now offer a **convenient online giving payment option** through ACS. Online giving enables you to easily make your financial contributions to the church by credit card, debit card, or directly from your bank account. Online giving is a simple way for you to give, and it enables you to support the church's mission and service no matter where you are in the world.

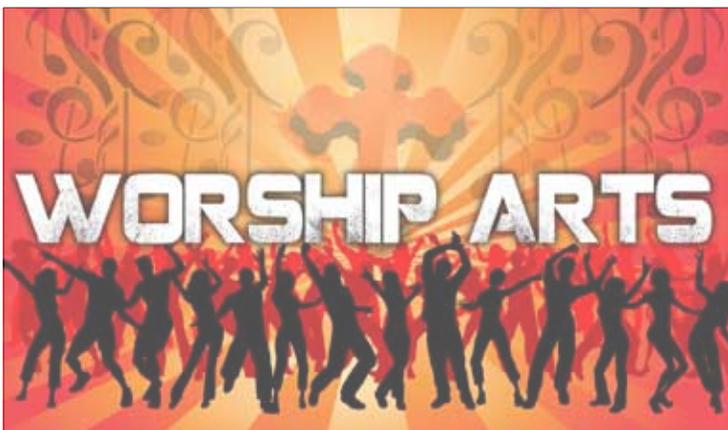
We ask that you prayerfully consider giving online.

It's really quite easy to set up an online giving account. Account creation instructions are available on our website by clicking on the "Giving is Only a Click Away" banner, and they are also included in the "How do I give online?" handouts that are available at all entrances to the Sanctuary. We will be actively promoting the online giving program until April 28. One of us will be available between services to answer any questions or concerns that you may have regarding online giving.

For those of you who would still like to participate in the offering during services even though you give online, we are now providing quarterly "I Give Online" coupons for each Sunday in the quarter. If you wish, you can place an "I Give Online" coupon in the offering basket in place of a check or cash. If you set up a recurring gift, a receipt will be sent to your e-mail address by ACS each time your recurring gift is processed. As an alternative, you can print a copy of this receipt and place it in the offering basket in place of a check or cash.

Lastly, as our way of saying "Thank You," all online givers will be given an "I Give Online" button pin upon request. Recurring online givers will be gifted with a "Giving is Only a Click Away" mouse pad, and new recurring online givers will be entered into a prize drawing. Please visit our website or pick up a copy of the online giving handout for answers to online giving frequently asked questions.

Yours in Christ,
Eddie Domingue, Treasurer
Manuel Diaz, Assistant Treasurer
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WORSHIP ARTS MINISTRY

Resurrection MCC is blessed to have a number of groups to minister at our worship services. All are welcome to visit any rehearsals to see which group might be the right place for you to serve.

GOSPEL ENSEMBLE

Tuesdays • 7 pm

Directed by Cassandra White, this group sings music in the African-American Gospel tradition, traditional Spirituals and contemporary music of all types. Reading music is not required for this group. You will need the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody. GospelEnsemble@ResurrectionMCC.org

HEAVENSOUND HANDBELLS

Sundays • 12:30 pm

Directed by Rose Wall, there are several open spots in the handbell choir. Some music reading skills are required, but experience in ringing is not required. HeavenSound@ResurrectionMCC.org

PRAISE BANDS

Tuesdays • 6 pm

Co-Directed by Mark C. Brown and Bridgett Vinson, these bands include instrumentalists and vocalists and are by audition and invitation only. These groups primarily present a wide variety of musical styles with a concentration in contemporary. The groups lead congregational singing and present special music. PraiseBands@ResurrectionMCC.org

ANGELS IN MOTION

Led by LaWanna White, all age groups and abilities are welcome to take part in this ministry. Come and get your groove on for God! Dance@ResurrectionMCC.org

SANCTUARY CHOIR

Tuesdays • 7 pm

Directed by Reed Hoke, this group sings mostly traditional church choral music with some contemporary music from time to time. Reading music is not required for this group. You will need the ability to match pitch and sing a part separate from the melody. SanctuaryChoir@ResurrectionMCC.org

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

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR T-SHIRTS \$15

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

- THY HOMELESS NEIGHBOR
- THY JEWISH NEIGHBOR
- THY BLACK NEIGHBOR
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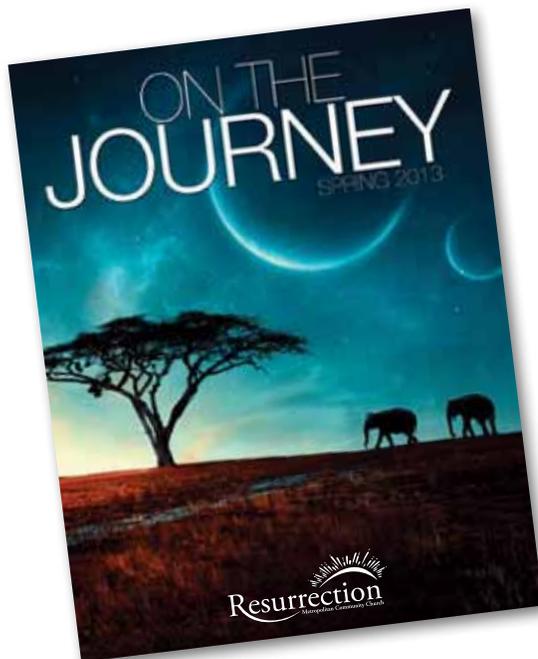
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Consider donating flowers in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special day. Email the date and message to Sara@ResurrectionMCC.org or call 713-861-9149 x112.

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Kandace Klingler and Van English
Board Minutes Available Upon Request.



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General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended March 31, 2013

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$16,075.66	\$229,080.39
Total Amount Anticipated	\$20,769.23	\$259,615.40
Total Giving Variance		(\$30,535.01)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$18,326.43	
Cash Flow Need	19,865.38	(A)
Ministry Plan Need	\$20,769.23	(B)
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	956	555
Programming	90	140
Total Weekly Attendance	1,046	694

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 2013 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives (i.e., the amount needed to make ministry happen)

This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

Fishers Net Prayer Ministry

Fishers Net offers personal prayers on Sundays at the Prayer Wall after the 11:00 am Worship Service. Please email your prayer request to Prayers@ResurrectionMCC.org. **Philippians 4:6-7** do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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.



SUNDAY		APRIL 7
9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Newcomers Welcome Reception	Gathering Place
12:30 pm	Worship Arts Team Leadership Meeting	Music Room
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary
MONDAY		APRIL 8
12:00 pm	Rehearsal	Music Room
TUESDAY		APRIL 9
4:00 pm	Special Music Rehearsal	Music Room
4:30 pm	Jubilee Theater Leadership Meeting	Gathering Place
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	Activities Building
WEDNESDAY		APRIL 10
6:30 pm	MCC 101	Gathering Place
THURSDAY		APRIL 11
No Events Scheduled		
FRIDAY		OFFICE CLOSED
APRIL 12		
6:00 pm	Joyful Singing 101	Music Room
7:00 pm	Friday Night OUT North	Olive Garden
SATURDAY		OFFICE CLOSED
APRIL 13		
9:00 am	Joyful Singing 101	Music Room
10:00 am	Adopt-a-Bed Meet and Greet	Gathering Place
12:00 am	Nelson / Galloway Holy Union	Chapel
5:00 pm	Girl Scout Dance	Activities Building
SUNDAY		APRIL 14
9:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	"State of the Church" and Friendasier	Activities Building
1:30 pm	HeavenSound Handbells Rehearsal	Sanctuary

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