



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

January 19, 2014

Opening Song

Praise Team

Taste And See

by Israel Houghton and Meleasa Houghton

Our Community Gathers

Rev. Troy Treash

Announcements

Mark C. Brown

+ Exchange of Peace

Rev. Troy Treash

+ Gathering Song

This Is A Day Of New Beginnings

This is a day of new beginnings,
Time to remember and move on,
Time to believe what love is bringing,
Laying to rest the pain that's gone.

Christ is alive, and goes before us
To show and share what love can do.

This is a day of new beginnings-
Our God is making all things new.

by Brian Wren
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+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

During 13 years of leadership of the modern American Civil Rights Movement, African Americans achieved more progress toward racial equality in America than the previous 350 years had produced. Dr. King is widely regarded as America's pre-eminent advocate of nonviolence and one of the greatest nonviolent leaders in world history.

Drawing inspiration from his Christian faith and teachings of Gandhi, Dr. King led a nonviolent movement to achieve legal equality for African-Americans in the United States.

While others were advocating for freedom by "any means necessary," including violence, Martin Luther King, Jr. used the power of words and acts of nonviolent resistance, such as protests, grassroots organizing, and civil disobedience to achieve seemingly impossible goals.

Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech, Nobel Peace Prize lecture and "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" are among the most revered orations and writings in the English language. His accomplishments are now taught to American children of all races, and his teachings are studied by scholars and students worldwide. He is the only non-president to have a national holiday dedicated in his honor, and is the only non-president memorialized on the Great Mall in the nation's capitol.

-from
www.TheKingCenter.org

Creating Change Series

We launch 2014 with a Creating Change sermon series from January 12--February 23 adding some guest preachers along the way: Rev. Elder Mona West, Rev. Elder Hector Gutiérrez, and Rev. DeWayne Davis.

Change is a life process. Change is ongoing as we seek to transform ourselves as we transform the world. Transformation is an intentional change. Whether it is to stop old habits, to create new habits, to challenge unjust systems, or to go deeper with God, change can be created with care. Do you resist change even when you know it is good for you? Is change difficult, no matter how much you are desiring it? Or does the thought of change, simply overwhelm you or make you feel powerless? Do you have passion for change but want some company and tools to get there?

Join us for this Creating Change series as we stay on the journey to live out our core values and create both a life that matters and a church that matters.

First Reading

A Reading From R. Kirby Godsey's Book
"When We Talk About God... Let's Be Honest"

Ray Tirado

Even though Jesus talked a lot more about the kingdom or community of God than he did about the church, our talk has been just the opposite. Taking hold of God's community means seeing the world from God's point of view. The community of God is not a different world. The community of God is the world viewed differently. Seeing the world as the community of God radically alters the way we look at things. Seeing people and things differently and behaving differently...seeing the world through God's eyes and behaving as God would behave, change how history happens.

+ Congregational Song

One Thing Remains

Higher than the mountains that I face, Stronger than the power of the grave.
Constant in the trial and the change, This one thing remains.

Your love never fails, it never gives up, Never runs out on me.
Your love never fails, it never gives up, Never runs out on me.
Your love never fails, it never gives up, Never runs out on me.

And on and on and on and on it goes. For it overwhelms and satisfies my soul.
And I never, ever, have to be afraid. One thing remains, one thing remains.

Your love never fails, it never gives up, Never runs out on me.
Your love never fails, it never gives up, Never runs out on me.
Your love never fails, it never gives up, Never runs out on me, Your love.

In death, In life, I'm confident and covered by, the power of Your great love
My debt is paid, There's nothing that can separate my heart from Your great love.

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+ Scripture Lesson

Jacqui Jones

John 1:37-42

The two disciples followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Anthem

Spiritual
Words and Music by Donald Lawrence

Gospel Ensemble

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.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

Creating Change: Come and See

Sermon Reflection

Mark C. Brown

We Offer Ourselves

Bryan Hlavinka
Co-Chair, Creating Change 2014

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 ...

Offertory

Gospel Ensemble

Your Righteous Mind
by Donald Lawrence

Receiving Our Gifts

Rev. Troy Treash

Communion

Rev. Troy Treash
Denise Junious

Communion Songs

There's Just Something About That Name

Words and music William and Gloria Gaither
CCLI# 12949

Comunión

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 "comunión", 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 ...

I Surrender All

by Judson Wheeler Van DeVenter and Winfield Scott Weeden
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Yes God Is Real

Words and Music by Kenneth Morris
CCLI# 12949

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Troy Treash

+ Closing Song

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hand hath made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze:

(Chorus)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home - what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God how great Thou art!

(Chorus)

by Stuart Wesley Keene Hine

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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.

+ Benediction

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

+ Postlude

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.



HIV / STD Testing

by Planned Parenthood

TODAY

Gathering Place
after both services

Free rapid HIV testing (results in 15 minutes), as well as standard testing for Gonorrhea, Chlamydia, Hepatitis C, and Syphilis (results in 2 weeks). Knowing your HIV and STD status is the best way for you to stay healthy and avoid spreading sexually transmitted illnesses. Get tested and take control.

www.plannedparenthood.org

TAIZE SERVICE CREATION MEETING



TODAY

12:30 - 1:30 pm • Chapel

Taizé Prayer is an ecumenical service of prayer, scripture, reflection and meditative music. We have “busy” souls. The Taizé liturgy serves to quiet our innermost being. Then we may be still and perhaps listen to the voice of God. Interested? You are invited to meet with Rev. to begin planning to make this unique service happen on a regular basis. Come help us create this exciting new service at Resurrection MCC!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140119
RevTroy@ResurrectionMCC.org



PRAYERS OF JESUS DISCUSSION GROUP

SUNDAYS

JANUARY 19, 26
FEBRUARY 2, 9

10:25 - 10:50 am, Chapel

Jesus taught the disciples many things by example, and we have the blessing of the Scriptures that recorded many of the prayers of Jesus. Fishers Net Prayer Ministry invites all to a short, weekly discussion group on Jesus' prayer in the Gospel of John, Chapter 17. In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus asks for unity among the followers, confirms who He is, and talks about our authority over the circumstances we face in our lives.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-POJDG2014
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EXPLORING YOUR SPIRITUAL LOCATION



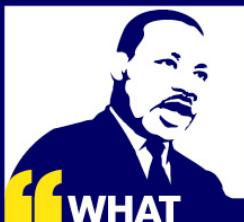
WEDNESDAY

JANUARY 22

7 - 8:30 pm
Gathering Place

The journey of asking yourself “Where am I, in this moment, in my spiritual life?” is a journey that asks you to pay attention to what your inner world is telling you, what your body is trying to say, what your spirit longs to speak. During this workshop we will be guided in the practice of paying attention to ourselves in these ways as we explore our spiritual location at this moment in our lives through reflective activities and interactive exercises designed to deepen our personal awareness.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-EYSL2014
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**“WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING FOR
OTHERS?“**

— MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2014 9 am - 3 pm

Montrose Grace Place
Grace Lutheran Church
2515 Waugh Dr. • Houston, TX 77006



JOIN US TO HELP LGBT HOMELESS YOUTH IN HOUSTON

Let's come together as a community to serve LGBT homeless youth on MLK Day of Service. Taking place in January, MLK Day of Service is a "day on, not a day off." It is a way to transform Dr. King's life and teachings into community action to help bring together people, strengthen communities, and meet national challenges.

One such challenge is homelessness among LGBT youth, who make up to 40% of homeless and at-risk youth. HRC, Montrose Grace Place, and Grace Lutheran Church invite you to partner with us on a service project benefiting LGBT homeless youth in our Houston community.

How can YOU make a difference? By donating items and volunteering your time.

VOLUNTEER

On Monday, January 20, please volunteer with us to assemble donated items into care bags that Montrose Grace Place can give to the LGBT homeless youth whom they serve, to organize the clothes closet and food pantry, and to clean the outside areas and youth room. Register online at www.bit.ly/MLK-GP2014

DONATE

You may also help by purchasing the items below which are urgently needed by LGBT homeless youth. Please drop off at Montrose Grace Place at 9 am on January 20.

- Unopened travel-sized toiletries including insect repellent, individual rolls of toilet paper, wet wipes, hand sanitizer, disposable razors, shaving cream, and feminine hygiene products
- New and lightly used clothing such as jogging pants, shorts, sweatshirts and sweaters
- Winter accessories such as disposable hand warmers, stretchy gloves, scarves, and warm hats (red and blue colors are not preferred)
- New and unopened underwear and socks (for all sizes and genders)
- Notebooks and pens / pencils
- Reusable water bottles
- Emergency and first-aid supplies such as small flashlights and batteries, plastic zip bags, and cough drops
- Food such as individual juice drinks, beef jerky, protein and granola bars, and instant noodles



FRIENDS BY THE FIRE

FRIDAY
JANUARY 24
7 - 9 pm, Outside

Join us for our first gathering of 2014 sponsored by our Landscape and Facilities Team. Bring a chair and blanket and join us as we share stories and laughs. Hot dogs, s'mores, and hot chocolate will be provided.

Details and RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140124
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org



MCC 101
SUNDAY
JANUARY 26
12:45 - 3:30 pm
Gathering Place

Learn more about who we are at Resurrection MCC in this introductory class. We'll discuss the mission, vision, and values of Resurrection MCC, learn more about our history, and discover the many ways people are making an impact in our faith community. At the end of class you will be given the opportunity to become a member if you feel God's call on your heart to do so. The class is open to those wishing to become members and those who simply want to learn more about Resurrection MCC.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140126
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



We are blessed to have served hundreds of clients throughout 2013. Your continued support through food and monetary donations allow us to continue to serve our community in a very meaningful way. The Board of Pride Charities would like to launch a special 2014 campaign by asking each of you to consider joining us in an effort to make each Sunday a special donation Sunday to keep our shelves bursting at the seams.

First Sunday (Protein) – Tuna, Chicken, Chili, Vienna Sausages, Luncheon Meat

Second Sunday (Fruits & Vegetables) – Canned Fruit, Peas, Corn, Green Beans

Third Sunday (Carb) - Small bags of Rice or Beans, Pasta Noodles, Cans of Soup

Fourth Sunday (Breakfast) – Cereal, Oatmeal

Volunteers are also needed to help return calls and set appointments, and to assist clients in the Food Pantry on Tuesdays from 9 am – Noon. If you are interested in volunteering, or have any questions, please contact Debbie Skelly at Volunteer@PrideCharities.org.

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Pantry!



**Claiming Personal Power
through Voice with
Tony Pryor of Living Your Voice**

WEDNESDAY

JANUARY 29

7 - 9 pm • Chapel

Speaking our truth is a means of both discovering and claiming our authentic selves. Bringing our unique selves to the world through self-expression is an act of transformation. By engaging our voice to express internal truth, challenge distress, and bring to the light that which is within us, we stand in the sacred space of our own personal power. Join Tony Pryor, innovative creator of Living Your Voice, for a powerful workshop designed to free you to claim your inner truth, your personal power, and your most authentic life by claiming your voice! This offering is for everybody; no experience with voice, self-expression, or speaking necessary! Register at Tony@LivingYourVoice.com



**CRITICAL MASS
BIKE RIDE - GOT LOVE?**

FRIDAY

JANUARY 31

6:45 pm - 9:30 pm

Market Square Park, 301 Milam, Houston

Calling all Bicyclists!

Join fellow Resurrection MCC bikers for a Critical Mass Bike Ride - a casual mass bike ride around the city, intended to raise awareness and advocate a bicycle-friendly urban environment. All bikes and skill-levels are welcomed. The ride will last around 2 hours - about 20 miles. Meet at 6:45pm on the corner nearest Congress Ave and Travis St. in Downtown Houston. Look for the GOT LOVE? Resurrection MCC Shirts!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140131
FAQs - www.houstoncriticalmass.com/faq
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



Spiritual Field Trip: CHURCH IN THE PARK

SECOND SATURDAYS
FEBRUARY 8

9 am - 11 am

James Bute Park, 512 McKee St (at Runnels)

"Feeding Body & Soul in the Fight Against Poverty, Homelessness, and Addiction!" With this tagline, 1000 Hills Ministry International ministers among the "poorest of the poor" in Houston by taking God's love to the streets! Join us as we join them for Church in the Park at 9:30 am on second Saturdays this season downtown at James Bute Park. If you prefer to carpool, meet in the large parking lot at Resurrection MCC at 9 am. Let's share God's love with ALL and be transformed!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/CITP2014
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



LEGAL LOVE: Legal Documents Workshop for Couples

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 9

1 pm - 3 pm
Gathering Place

Nothing says "I love you" like getting your essential legal documents in order! Join church members, friends, and lawyers for a free "Legal Love" workshop and learn about the documents you need to safeguard your love in the eyes of the law. You will learn exactly what it takes to "Be Mine" in every legal way possible as LGBTQ partners. Then, return with your completed docs one of the next two Sundays (Feb 16 or 23) - and receive free legal review and notarization. Now that's love!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/LDWFC2014
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**Bring you the first
New Year's Health Event**



SATURDAY

FEBRUARY 8

10 am - Noon • Activities Building

FREE Health Fair for the community!

- Basic Health Screenings including: Cholesterol, Blood Pressure, Glucose (must fast for 12 hours)
- Health Education on Disease Prevention (including Hep C testing)
- Help with Affordable Healthcare Application Process
- Breast Health Education
- Basic Foot Exams

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EBONY & IVORY DANCE

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 15

7 - 11 pm
Activities Building

**\$30 Single / \$35 (includes 2 Drinks)
\$50 Couple / \$60 (includes 4 Drinks)
Wine or Beer - \$3**

Hosted by The Gospel Ensemble, this unforgettable evening features a DJ, dancing, hors d'oeuvres, and refreshments. Black & White theme, business casual to formal attire suggested. Proceeds help send Gospel Ensemble members to the 2014 MCC People of African Descent Conference held this May in Atlanta.

Purchase online at www.bit.ly/EbonyIvoryDance
or in Inspirations Coffee Cafe & Bookstore.



HOUSTON 2014

January 29–February 2, 2014
Hilton of the Americas • Downtown Houston

Creating Change 2014

The 26th National Conference on LGBT Equality: Creating Change is coming to Houston and the Hilton of the Americas on Wednesday, January 29 – Sunday, February 2.

Creating Change is the premier annual organizing and skills-building event for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community and their allies.

The conference is run by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, and attracts more than 3,500 people from all over the country every year. Presenters and participants come from all walks of life and include members of the business community, elected officials, students, faith leaders and staff and volunteers of non-profit organizations.

The five-day program features over 350 workshops and training sessions, four plenary sessions, tons of networking opportunities and really fun events.

Individual Registration (www.creatingchange.org/registration.php)

- Regular Registration: \$350 (ends Jan. 24)
- On-Site Registration: \$395
- Limited Income Rate: \$165
- Daily Rate: \$125
- Under 16 or Over 65 Rate: \$0 - FREE!

Registration includes:

- Day Long Institutes (Wednesday Jan. 29 & Thursday Jan. 30)
- Thursday evening Opening Gathering/Welcome Session (Thursday Jan. 30)
- All conference-related events/receptions held on site
- The Academy for Leadership and Action sessions (Friday Jan. 31 & Saturday Feb. 1)
- Workshop Sessions/Presentations (Friday Jan. 31, Saturday Feb. 1 & Sunday a.m. Feb. 2)
- Plenary Sessions (Thursday Jan. 30, Friday Jan. 31 & Saturday Feb. 1)
- Closing Plenary and Brunch (Sunday Feb. 2)

Group Registration (www.bit.ly/RMCC-CC2014g)

A special registration rate of \$275 per person is available for groups of 10 or more. To receive this rate, you must register and pay online at www.bit.ly/RMCC-CC2014g before Monday, January 20. Resurrection MCC will gather the names and register them as a group as this special rate.

Volunteer at Creating Change (www.creatingchange.org/volunteer.php)

300 volunteers are needed to provide essential on-site people power for Creating Change, the nation's largest

annual conference of the LGBT movement. We expect over 3500 activists, organizers, elected officials and other LGBT community leaders from all over the country to join us. Volunteers perform essential functions to ensure the smooth operations of the Creating Change Conference, including serving as room monitors in the workshop sessions and staffing our hospitality suites. It's fun! You'll meet great people from around the movement and have the opportunity to learn new skills offered in our robust conference program. Best of all: you're helping to build the grassroots power of our LGBT political movement.

In exchange for every four-hour work shift, you will be able to attend the rest of that day's sessions. That's right: volunteer four hours at the Creating Change Conference and then, attend any sessions that interest you.

In order for this event to succeed we rely on the generosity and support of local volunteers. Volunteering with the conference is a great way to experience the work of the conference, both in sessions and behind the scenes, while getting to meet new people in your own community. If you live in the Houston area and you want to volunteer, register online at www.creatingchange.org/volunteer.php

Note: As part of your volunteer commitment, you must attend a one-hour Volunteer Orientation & Training at Hilton Americas — Houston on Sunday, January 26. Orientation sessions run throughout the afternoon, starting on the hour, from 12 Noon to 6 pm. You'll be able to sign up for your work shift at the Volunteer Orientation Training.

Volunteer at MCC Exhibitor Booth (www.bit.ly/RMCC-CC2014v)

Resurrection MCC is partnering with our global denomination to host a booth in the Exhibitor area. Exhibitors and vendors at the Creating Change Conference meet, greet and interact with over 3,500 activists and organizers in our LGBT movement from across the United States. We'll be providing conference attendees with information about Metropolitan Community Churches and Resurrection MCC and have some items for sale. If you would like to help us spread the word about our global movement, please register online at www.bit.ly/RMCC-CC2014v

Sexual Salvation: Queer Sexual Ethics Friday, January 31 • 9 - 10:30 am

Location: see on-site schedule

Facilitated by our own Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini and Rev. Michael Diaz, this workshop is an opportunity for individuals to explore what it could look like to create personal sexual ethical guidelines for sexuality-affirming and spirituality-honoring living. Sexual Salvation is about passionately resisting and happily contradicting sex-negative, body-diminishing, LGBTQIA-dismissing cultural messages about our possibilities for sexual-spiritual wholeness!

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WEDNESDAYS - 7 pm
SATURDAYS - 9:30 am
Chapel

Overeaters Anonymous offers a program of recovery from compulsive eating using the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of OA. Worldwide meetings and other tools provide a fellowship of experience, strength and hope where members respect one another's anonymity. OA charges no dues or fees and is self-supporting through member contributions.

OA is not just about weight loss, weight gain maintenance, obesity, or diets. It addresses physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. It is not a religious organization and does not promote any particular diet.

OA members differ in many ways, but we are united by our common disease and the solution we have found in the OA program. We practice unity with diversity, and we welcome everyone who wants to stop eating compulsively. Welcome to Overeaters Anonymous. Welcome home.

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.

Board Member on Duty

Elisa Vega-Burns and Eve Messina

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended January 12, 2014

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$13,054.15	\$30,576.44
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,837.38	\$35,674.75
Total Giving Variance		(\$5,098.31)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$15,288.22	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,837.38	
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	456	450
Programming	34	49
Total Weekly Attendance	490	499

January - September, 2013 (unaudited)

All Revenue: \$792,855

Expenses: \$655,774

Principal Payments: \$67,209

Current Liabilities: \$7,400

Prepaid 2014 Pledges: \$20,603

Net: \$41,869

Owed to Capital: \$55,448

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

SUNDAY		JANUARY 19
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	Taize Service Creation Meeting	Chapel
MONDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	JANUARY 20
7:00 pm	Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Grief Recovery Method	Gathering Place
TUESDAY		JANUARY 21
6:00 pm	Resurrection Praise Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Music Room
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Yoga	Activities Building
WEDNESDAY		JANUARY 22
7:00 pm	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
7:00 pm	Exploring Your Spiritual Location	Gathering Place
THURSDAY		JANUARY 23
8:00 am	HPL Children's Book Sale	Activities Building
FRIDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	JANUARY 24
8:00 am	HPL Children's Book Sale	Activities Building
7:00 pm	Friends By The Fire	Bayou Side of Activities Bldg
SATURDAY	OFFICE CLOSED	JANUARY 25
8:00 am	HPL Children's Book Sale	Activities Building
8:00 am	Body Blast Fitness Camp	Activities Building
9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
SUNDAY		JANUARY 26
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
1:00 pm	MCC 101	Gathering Place



YOGA CONNECTIONS

TUESDAYS
7 - 8 pm | Activities Building

Please bring a mat and towel.
Everyone is welcome to join us
for these free sessions.

Details and RSVP: www.bit.ly/YOGA2014



BODY BLAST

Fitness Camp

SATURDAYS
8 - 9 am • Activities Building

Body Blast Fitness Camp is group exercise class that mixes basic calisthenics with interval and strength training. Using light weights and circuit-training stations to engage the entire body, FIT personal trainer Brian Kinney invites people of ALL fitness levels to participate in a fun and motivating one hour class.

BodyBlast@ResurrectionMCC.org
Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/BODYBLAST2014