

+ Opening Hymn

All Are Welcome

Let us build a house where love can dwell And all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell How hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found In water, wine and wheat:
A banquet hall on holy ground, Where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, Is revealed in time and space;
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach Beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, And live the word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger Bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger: All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, Prayers of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

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Our Community Gathers

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

Announcements

Mark Eggleston

+ Exchange of Peace

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

WE NEED A HERO: Houston Equal Rights Ordinance

Did you know that in Houston it is legal for employers and business owners to discriminate against anyone based solely upon perceived or actual sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression?

In fact, Houston is the largest city in the United States, and the only major city in Texas, that does not protect it's LGBT citizens from discrimination.

Now is the time to end discrimination in Houston. And it's up to you.

Your presence is needed at the Final meeting of our City Council this Wednesday, May 28, at 9:00 am.

We need you to tell City Council why you support the ordinance or how you've experienced discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

Many faith voices opposing the ordinance will be present.

Affirming voices of faith are critical to be in the room. Each person is limited to speaking for one minute (about 130 words).

Full details on the Council Meeting, how to register, and how to send a letter are available online at www.bit.ly/we-need-a-hero

Questions to Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org

Gregory Boyle

For twenty years, Gregory Boyle, is a Jesuit priest, has run Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion*, he distills his experience into a breathtaking series of parables inspired by faith. *Tattoos* is about universal kinship and redemption with moving examples of the power of unconditional love and the importance of fighting despair. It reminds us that no life is less valuable than another

Homeboy Industries offers tattoo removal, job training, case management, mental health support, legal services and education. You can find out more at www.homeboyindustries.org.

Join us for an interactive book study on Wednesday evenings this month! Details on bulletin back page!

+ Gathering Song

Hallelujah

Halle, halle, halleluja.
Halle, halle, halleluja.
Halle, halle, halleluja.
Halleluja, halleluja.

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Contemporary Reading

Jessica Jackson

Tattoos on the Heart

by Gregory Boyle

We see in the homies what they don't see in themselves, until they do. You stand with the least likely to succeed until success is succeeded by something more valuable: kinship. You stand with the belligerent, the surly, and the badly behaved until bad behavior is recognized for the language it is: the vocabulary of the deeply wounded and of those whose burdens are more than they can bear. Jesus jostled irreparably the purity code of the shot callers of His day. He recognized that it was precisely this code that kept folks from kinship. Maybe success has become the new purity code. And Jesus shows us that the desire for purity (nine times out of ten) is, in fact, the enemy of the gospel.

One: In these human words, God's voice is heard.

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Forever Blest

God's Family

by Lanny Wolfe

+ Scripture Lesson

Ken Schroeder

John 14:15-21

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask God, and God will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees God nor knows God. You know God, because God abides with you, and God will be in you."

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in God, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by God, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Holy Spirit, You Are Welcome Here
Arranged by Dave Willamson

Sanctuary Choir

Sermon

Kin-dom Come

Rev. Troy Treash

Sermon Reflection

Mark C. Brown

We Offer Ourselves

Bridgett Vinson

Offertory

In This Very Room
by Carol Harris and Ron Harris

Sanctuary Choir

Communion

Rev. Pat Farnan

Communion Songs

The Heart of Woship
by Matt Redman

Nada Te Turbe
Words and Music by Unknown

Everything
by Israel Houghton

Draw The Circle Wide
by Gordon Light and Mark Miller

Pride Month

For June, we are celebrating From Stonewall to Carnivale! We are remembering a monumental occasion in LGBTQ history, the Stonewall Riots. In June 1969 after a police raid on a Greenwich Village gay bar, queer people decided to fight back by rioting and demonstrating for several nights in New York City. The first anniversary of the Stonewall Riots birthed marches of solidarity and celebration which came to be known as "Gay Pride." Carnivale is the famous Brazilian holiday where people prepare for Christ's death and resurrection with costumes, authentic masks, and joyous street parades. Today, both of these holy days and occasions for liberation are spread across the globe as millions proclaim the right to freedom, dignity and full humanity of all peoples. We are remembering Stonewall by way of Carnivale-type celebrations during June.

Join us for worship on Sundays and a book study on Wednesday evenings, as we read Martin Duberman's work, "Stonewall" (available in Inspirations Bookstore). As those who claim the life and teachings of Jesus, who came bearing reconciling love for all, we celebrate our freedom, dignity, and full humanity with pride From Stonewall to Carnivale!

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 ...

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.

+ Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Pat Farnan

+ Closing Song

We Are A Family

We are a family like a giant tree branching out of the sky
We are a family, we are so much more than just you and I
We are a family like a giant tree
Growing stronger, growing wiser, we are growing free

We are a family like a giant tree branching out of the sky
We are a family, we are so much more than just you and I
We are a family like a giant tree
Growing stronger, growing wiser, we are growing free

We need you, we are a family.

Words and Music by Henry D Krieger and Tom Eyen
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+ Benediction

Rev. Troy Treash

+ Postlude

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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 Christ-like 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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Rev. Kristen Renewal

May 2, 2014

My beloved friends and faith-companions,

Just over a month ago I celebrated my sixth anniversary in ministry at Resurrection MCC! Marking the occasion, I wrote a letter to Rev. Troy and our Board of Directors which included the following reflection:

“Over the course of six years in full-time ministry at Resurrection I have received immeasurable gifts and countless blessings. It would be impossible to quantify the ministry development I have been afforded and the spiritual growth which has been fostered within me during this rich and rigorous period of shared journey. To say that I am ‘grateful’ doesn’t begin to describe the depth of my appreciation to the people of Resurrection and to God for these years together.”

As I begin my seventh year in this amazing journey with you, I am grateful to share that I have requested and been given a period of spiritual renewal, or - in language I might use - a sort of “extended Sabbath,” in the amount of one week for each year I have served in ministry with you.

I often say “You can’t give what you don’t have!” and am aware in my depths that I am in need of a dedicated time of spiritual practice to bring a fresh outpouring of creative energy and vision to our new season together. As such, it is with great joy and appreciation that I share with you my plans to take a time apart with God throughout the month of May and a bit into June as well.

One of the greatest gifts of keeping a regular Sabbath practice is the sanity which rises as we acknowledge that we are limited, finite beings – that we are not God. And another, equally gracious gift is the soul-joy which washes through and through when we rest our finite humanity in God’s infinite and tender care: we are restored. I am in need of these things, both for myself and for my ability to minister well with you.

I look forward to returning on June 8th and preaching for Pride, washed through and through with soul-joy, restored by God’s infinite and tender care. For now I leave you with great love and these words of Mary Oliver, which are calling me into this brief time apart:

*When I am among the trees,
especially the willows and the honey locust,
equally the beech, the oaks and the pines,
they give off such hints of gladness.
I would almost say that they save me, and daily.*

*I am so distant from the hope of myself,
in which I have goodness, and discernment,
and never hurry through the world
but walk slowly, and bow often.*

*Around me the trees stir in their leaves
and call out, "Stay awhile."
The light flows from their branches.*

*And they call again, "It's simple," they say,
"and you too have come
into the world to do this, to go easy, to be filled
with light, and to shine."*

In the joy of grace, Kristen



CRITICAL MASS BIKE RIDE - GOT LOVE?

FRIDAY
MAY 30

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-20140530
FAQs - www.houstoncriticalmass.com/faq
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



YOUTH TEACHERS NEEDED

Are you ready to change a young life?

Did you know over 100 children (infants to teen) come to Resurrection MCC every month to hear the message that God loves them and their families? Can you make a difference in their life? Can you offer two hours a month to plan and teach a specially designed curriculum? Can you share God's word with them in a fun, meaningful, and safe environment?

If you answered "Yes!" you'll receive laughter, fulfillment, and satisfaction knowing you are making a difference. Teaching experience is helpful but not required. Individuals are most needed to teach 5-6 year olds and 7-9 year olds, but all volunteers are appreciated. Are you prepared to be blessed in an amazing way? Please email Joel Palomares, Youth Ministries Program Coordinator, at Youth@ResurrectionMCC.org if you are ready to make a difference.



ALL CHURCH WORKDAY

SATURDAY
MAY 31

9 am - 2 pm
Resurrection MCC Campus

Join us as we get together to love on, clean up, organize, and maintain our church. Meet at 9 am in the Welcome Area to choose an indoor or outdoor project. Lunch and laughs will be held in the Gathering Place from Noon - 1 pm.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140531
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org



Adopt-A-Bed

Take PRIDE in our church Home!

**Sign-up to Volunteer:
TODAY**

Gathering Place, After Worship

Volunteers are needed to "Adopt-A-Bed" which includes regular weeding, trash removal, and maintenance of our flowerbeds and gardens.

A green thumb is not required. You only need a desire to beautify our campus. You may volunteer individually, with a small group, a church ministry team, or family!

Questions to Bridgett Vinson
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org

GOT LOVE?

SANCTUARY CHOIR CONCERT

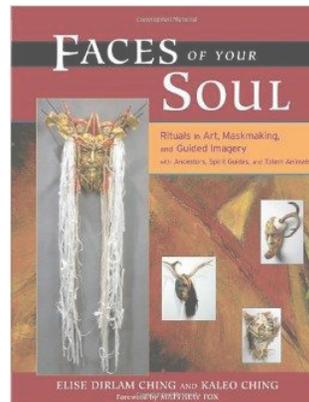


SATURDAY
MAY 31
7 - 8 pm • Sanctuary

Under the direction of Steven Shannon, our Sanctuary Choir presents a collection of sacred and secular songs focusing on love, and sung with love—including a special surprise original piece! Come and experience the unconditional love of God expressed through music. A reception hosted by the Gospel Ensemble follows the concert. Admission is free. An offering will be received for our General Fund. Child care provided for children one month through pre-K.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140531
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Soul-Expressions: Mask-Making as Meditation



MONDAYS
JUNE
2, 9, 16, 23

7 - 8:30 pm
Gathering Place

Engaging the process of mask-making, we will connect with the body's instinctive intelligence, which expresses itself through creation. We will learn the simple yet meaningful practice of partnering to mold each other's gauze mask. We will then form, decorate, adorn, and alter our masks as a meditative practice, exploring our "soul-expressions" as a means of active prayer and interior reflection. Your innate sense of self-expression is enough; no artistic skill needed for this spiritual practice.

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



Stonewall Stories

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 4, 11, 19

7 - 8:30 pm
Gathering Place

A police raid on the Stonewall bar set off a series of riots in the summer of 1969 that mark the birth of the modern GLBTQ political movement. "Stonewall" re-examines this event through the vibrant, intertwined portraits of six people who run the gamut from hippie, ex-priest Jim Fournatt to Yvonne Flowers - a black feminist - to trans-activist Sylvia Rivera who defiantly faced hostility from within the LGB community as well as outside it. Learn your queer roots this PRIDE, from the inside-out!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-stonewall
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FRIDAY NIGHT OUT CENTRAL

FRIDAY • 7 - 9 pm

JUNE 6

Katz's Deli

616 Westheimer, Houston 77006
www.ilovekatzs.com • 713-521-3838

Join us for another Friday evening filled with food, fun and friends. To help ensure that we have adequate seating, we ask that you please RSVP and let us know if you will be attending. As always, friends and family (including children) are welcome!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140606
FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org



SACRED SERVICE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

THURSDAY
JUNE 5

6:30 - 8:00 pm • Gathering Place

All Volunteer Team Leaders are invited to a once a month meeting for training, connection, and support from other leaders at Resurrection MCC. We will gather for connection over a meal at 6:30 pm and discuss agenda items and ministry priorities at 7 pm. A representative from every ministry area is asked to contribute through your presence. Special guests from the community will join us periodically.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140605
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YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH

ALL AGES WELCOME

SATURDAY
JUNE 7

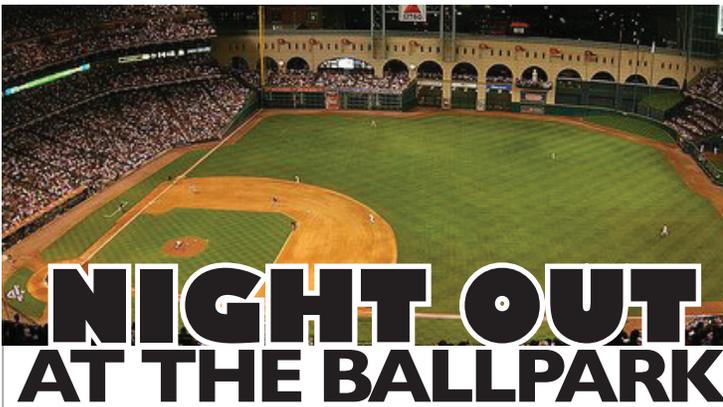
Noon - 1:30 pm

Home of Will Carr

545 Studewood St. Houston

The Young Adults of Resurrection MCC invite those of all ages to join them for a fun brunch and an opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with those you may already know.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20140607y
YoungAdults@ResurrectionMCC.org



NIGHT OUT AT THE BALLPARK

FRIDAY
JUNE 13
7 pm

Minute Maid Park, 501 Crawford St, Houston 77002

For \$30 per person, you get a seat on the Mezzanine Level (section 252) and access to the All-You-Can-Eat concession stand which includes unlimited water, soda, peanuts, popcorn, nachos, and hot dogs. Help us cheer the Astros on as they face the Tampa Bay Rays! It will be a fun night OUT at the ballpark! Tickets available online

www.bit.ly/RMCC-ballpark2014
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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.



IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY
JUNE 7
1 - 3 pm • Activities Building

“Imani” means Faith in Swahili, and “Vida” means Life in Spanish. Join us as we explore life and faith through drumming! If you like to drum or have an interest in drumming, join us as we make music through all sorts of percussion instruments: hand drums, shakers, rain sticks and even the sound of foot stomping music. Drummers of all skill levels are welcome. No prior drumming experience is required to participate in our circle. We only ask that you bring your desire to be a part of our community drum circle. We meet every first Saturday of the month in the Gathering Place, as well as other locations for other special drumming occasions.

Details & RSVP: www.meetup.com/drummingcircle
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org

FRIDAY NIGHT OUT NORTH



FRIDAY
JUNE 13
7 - 9 pm

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!

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-201406131n
FridayNightOUTNorth@ResurrectionMCC.org

CONTACT

CONTACT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Contact each by phone or email) and request their support of the Houton Equal Rights Ordinance (HERO).

Sample Script: "Please let the Council Member know that I support the Houston Equal Rights Ordinance. I agree with the majority of my neighbors, co-workers, family, and friends that discrimination has no place in Houston. I urge the Council Member to vote for this ordinance without delay. Thank you."

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SPEAK

TESTIFY TO COUNCIL ON HERO

Wednesday, May 28, 7 am

To speak before City Council, you must first register with the City Secretary (before Wednesday, May 28, 9:00 am). To register, contact 832-393-1100 or citysecretary@houston.tx.gov

Sample Text: "I would like to speak to City Council for one minute on May 28 about the Houston Equal Rights Ordinance. My name is _____, my address is _____, and my phone number is _____. Thank you."

When you call to register, be sure to use your preferred name (that's the name they'll use to address you when it's your turn to speak). You are not required to live in the City of Houston to attend or speak. Preprepare and practice no more than 60 seconds - about 130 words. Start with your name, your district (for those that live inside City limits), and that you support the ordinance. WEAR RED. The meeting begins at 9 am, but please arrive by 7 am to ensure you can claim a seat in the Chambers.



DISCRIMINATION HAS NO PLACE IN A CITY LIKE HOUSTON

www.bit.ly/we-need-a-hero

WEAR RED. BE PART OF HISTORY.

**Wednesday, May 28
Houston City Hall
901 Bagby Street
Houston TX 77002**

Arrive Early

There will be large crowds and you'll need to go through a security checkpoint. So, we suggest you arrive around 7 am. Once through security, take the elevator to Council Chambers on the second floor, find a seat, and sit down.

Park

Parking Garage located underneath Tranquility Park. Entrance is on Rusk (between Bagby & Smith). \$12 maximum per day.

Carpool / Caravan

Meet in the large parking lot at church. We will depart promptly at 6:45 am and will drive to the parking garage located under Tranquility Park.

Security

Screening is required with a metal detector and x-ray. Bring photo ID and a removable layer of warm clothing (Chambers tend to be cold).

Absent

If you are not present when they call your name to speak, you will still be allowed to provide testimony. Notify a City Staffer when you arrive and ask your name be called again.

Watch Online

Watch the City Council Meeting live online beginning at 9:00 am at www.bit.ly/HERO-live

Find Your District

www.bit.ly/HERO-district

Food and drinks provided. You do NOT need to live in the City of Houston to attend or speak in support of the ordinance.

WITNESS

SIT AND WITNESS HISTORY

Wednesday, May 28, 7 am

We need our City Council Chambers filled with a sea of supporters in RED, and only YOU can accomplish that.

While you might choose not to speak publicly, just your physical presence, and offering your prayers, positivity, and love can be felt.

Many who speak out for equality before City Council find it intimidating to do so. However, when there is a room full of allies, it makes a tremendous difference/

To ensure you get a seat in the Chambers, arrive around 7 am and line up near Bagby entrance. After security, take the elevator to the second floor, claim your seat in the City Council Chambers and do not give it up to any non-supporter.

CELEBRATE

CELEBRATE EQUALITY

Wednesday, May 28, 5 pm - ???

WEAR RED and gather with hundreds of equality-minded Houstonians on the steps of City Hall as we celebrate equality, justice, and every Houstonian that has been a HERO.

Passing this ordinance will be one of an historic event, not just in the LGBT community, but in communities throughout Houston and beyond.

If you can't miss work, just get down to City Hall as soon as you can. We don't expect a vote until later in the evening, so get to City Hall and stay tuned to social media for updates.

We need YOU to help create a sea of supporters in RED outside City Hall to welcome and celebrate every HERO.



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.

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

YOGA CONNECTIONS

Instructors Alternate Weekly:

Darrin Brindle, Robin Mack, and Special Guests

TUESDAYS

7 - 8 pm | Activities Building

Please bring water and towel. Yoga mats available to borrow. Beginner to Intermediate skill levels.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/YOGA2014
Yoga@ResurrectionMCC.org

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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

Eve Messina and Van English

Board Minutes Available Upon Request.

General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended May 18, 2014

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$12,363.25	\$358,047.19
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,837.38	\$356,747.55
Total Giving Variance		\$1,299.64
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$17,902.36	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,837.38	
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	340	454
Programming	188	169
Total Weekly Attendance	528	623

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		MAY 25
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	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Center
7:30 pm	Auditions for "Sordid Lives"	Activities Building#202
MONDAY		MAY 26
7:00 pm	Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Auditions for "Sordid Lives"	Activities Building#202
TUESDAY		MAY 27
6:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous 12-Step	Activities Building#202
7:00 pm	Yoga	Activities Building
8:00 pm	Polling Location	Gathering Place
WEDNESDAY		MAY 28
7:00 pm	Tattoos on the Heart Book Study	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
THURSDAY		MAY 29
No Events Scheduled		
FRIDAY		MAY 30
OFFICE CLOSED		
6:45 pm	Critical Mass Bike Ride	
SATURDAY		MAY 31
OFFICE CLOSED		
8:00 am	Body Blast Fitness Camp	Activities Building
9:00 am	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Landscape & Facilities Work Day	Welcome Center
9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
11:00 am	Praise Dance Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Got Love? - Sanctuary Choir Concert	Sanctuary
8:00 am	Got Love? - Concert Reception	Gathering Place
SUNDAY		JUNE 1
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	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Center
3:00 pm	Houston Heights Orchestra People's Choice Concert	Sanctuary



BRUNCH BUDDIES TODAY

12:30 - 2 pm

BRASIL

2604 Dunlavy St, Houston 77006
www.Cafe-Brasil.net • 713-528-1993

Every Sunday, all are welcome to meet in the Gathering Place after the 11 am Worship service to connect with those going to brunch. Around 12:30 the group departs for the chosen location for the week (Restaurant name and address are in the bulletin each week). Whether you're a long-time congregant or a first-time visitor, consider yourself invited to become a Brunch Buddy!

RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



TATTOOS ON THE HEART

INTERACTIVE BOOK STUDY

WEDNESDAY

MAY 28

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

For twenty years, Gregory Boyle has run Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention program located in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In Tattoos on the Heart, he distills his experience working in the ghetto into a breathtaking series of parables inspired by faith. These essays about universal kinship and redemption are moving examples of the power of unconditional love and the importance of fighting despair.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-tattoos
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