



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

December 21, 2014

Prelude / Preludio

Joel Hammett

+ **Opening Song**

We Won't Be Shaken

This world has nothing for me, This life is not my own
I know You go before me and I am not alone
This mountain rises higher, The way seems so unclear
But I know that You go with me so I will never fear, I will trust in You

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain
No we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken

Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, No we won't be shaken
You know my every longing, You've heard my every prayer
You've held me in my weakness, Cause You are always there
So I'll stand in full surrender, It's Your way and not my own
My mind is set on nothing less, Than You and You alone, I will not be moved oh

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain
No we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken
Whatever tomorrow brings, Together we'll rise and sing
That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken

We will trust in You, We will not be moved, We will trust in You, And we won't be shaken (3x)

No we won't be shaken

Whatever will come our way, Through fire or pouring rain
No we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken, Whatever tomorrow brings
Together we'll rise and sing, That we won't be shaken, No we won't be shaken

Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, No we won't be shaken
Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, Oooh oooh oh, No we won't be shaken

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Our Community Gathers / Nuestro Comunidad Se Reúne Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Announcements / Anuncios Mark Eggleston

+ **Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz** Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Advent

In the ancient world, various peoples lit fires to mark the turning of the light into winter's season and to pray for the return of the light. The church has Christianized that practice in the lighting of the Advent wreath. To us, these candles are signs of the growing light of Christ who is coming again in all fullness into the darkness of our worlds. Until the dawning of that Great Day, we watch and wait in Holy Spirit for Christ's coming into the darkness of our world, lighting candles of hope, peace, joy, and love; and remembering the promises of God with prayer. From the Latin word, *adventus*, Advent means "arrival" or "coming" of Jesus as human into the world. Advent is a season of preparation the four Sundays before Christmas and is the beginning of the church year.

+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

+ **Gathering Song / Canción de Bienvenida**

Sanctuary

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true;
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for You.

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Contemporary Reading / Lectura Contemporánea

Bone Knowing, Julie Daley

I've come to realize that what I'd been holding onto as truth was really just a belief system to help me manage the unknown. Not knowing can generate so much fear. We unwittingly develop a worldview stuffed with beliefs to manage the fear. Yet, when we feel into the nature of the unknown, really feel into it, it's not so frightening. It's actually really pregnant with possibility, with aliveness, with the divine. It is spacious and vibrant, a pulsing sea of love without conditions.

And, there are some things I DO know, some things I know so deeply in my bones, things I just can feel and when I speak of them I feel the knowing so deep that it feels like it's in the marrow... It's a kind of knowing that runs so deep below the surface of things it could be easy to miss, and is easy to miss if I am not in my body. This river of knowing winds its way through my body – through the cells, the flesh, the blood and the bones. My bones know. They know. I know this. I know this wisdom. It is real and alive.

Special Music / Selección Musical

Steven Shannon

O Holy Night

by Adolphe Charles Adam, Placide Cappeau, and John S. Dwight

+ **Scripture Reading / Lectura Bíblica**

Rose Wall

Isaiah 52: 7

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of a messenger who proclaims peace, who brings good news, who proclaims salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God Rules!"

Luke 2:10

The angel said to the shepherds, 'Don't be afraid! Look! I bring good news to you-- wonderful, joyous news for all people.'

One: This is the Word of God for the People of God.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem / Selección Musical

Gospel Ensemble

Angels
by Richard Smallwood

Sermon / Sermón

Rev. Troy Treash

Sacred Knowing

Moment of Reflection / Minuto de Reflexión

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

We Offer Ourselves / Ofrenda

Robert Sliepka
Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini

Receiving the Gifts

Rev. Troy Treash

Offertory / Ofertorio

Gospel Ensemble

Christmas Time Is Here
by Lee Mendelson and Vince Guaraldi

Communion / Comunion

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

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.

Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunión

Holy, Holy, Holy

by John Bacchus Dykes and Reginald Heber

Little Drummer Boy

by Danielle Puckett and Shealeen Puckett

God Will Take Care of You

by Civilla Durfee Martin and Walter Stillman Martin

Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

+ Closing Song / Canto de Salida

The First Noel

The First Noel, the Angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the East beyond them far
And to the earth it gave great light
And so it continued both day and night.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far
To seek for a King was their intent
And to follow the star wherever it went.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the northwest
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest
And there it did both Pause and stay
Right o'er the place where Jesus lay.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

Then entered in those Wise men three
Full reverently upon their knee
And offered there in His presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

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+ Benediction / Bendición

Rev. Troy Treash

+ Postlude / Postludio

Joel Hammett

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Worship | Sunday, 9 & 11 am
Children & Youth Worship | Sunday, 11 am
Nursery | Sunday, 9 & 11 am

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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

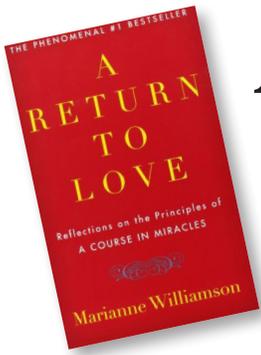
Offering a safe and open community for people to worship, learn and grow in their faith is our deep desire. We are committed to equipping ourselves and each other to do the work that God has called us to do in the world.

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.



A Return to Love: A Liberating Book Study

8 MONDAYS
**NOVEMBER 3 -
DECEMBER 22**
7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering Place

“Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.” These words from Marianne Williamson have resonated within the souls of many for the past 20 years. In this interactive book study we will explore the text and learn our way into the truth “We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It’s not just in some of us; it’s in everyone ... As we’re liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.”

www.bit.ly/RMCC-2014RTL
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



CRITICAL MASS BIKE RIDE - GOT LOVE?

FRIDAY
DECEMBER 26
6:45 - 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!

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Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Wednesday, 7 pm
December 24

Meet Me at the Manger

“...there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” -- Luke 2:8-12

Dear Members & Friends,

I don't know about you, but when I think of that night in that faraway land more than 2,000 years ago, I tremble in awe. My heart races in adoration and wonder. And most of all, I rejoice.

A Christmastime tradition at Resurrection MCC is the giving opportunity called Meet Me at the Manger. During my 21 months with you all, I've heard many stories of how people have felt as they've brought their gifts forward on Christmas Eve, meeting each other and the Christ child at that humble makeshift crib. They've described their own versions of awe, adoration, wonder, and rejoicing.

This year, we once again engage this beautiful practice and add a new dimension. Inspired by the gifts brought to Jesus at his birth in Bethlehem, we ask that you prayerfully consider making your gift at one of the suggested giving levels:

Star	\$5,000 +
Angel	\$2,500
Gold	\$1,500
Frankincense	\$1,000
Myrrh	\$750
Shepherd	\$500
Stable	\$250
Manger	\$100

Your generosity at this time of year is especially helpful as we enter 2015 with the budget approved by the congregation at its annual meeting in November, along with all the operational, staffing, programming, worship, and outreach plans that it will support.

Gift boxes will be available at every entrance to the Sanctuary on Sundays throughout December and on Christmas Eve. You may place your gift in this box and take it to the manger during the Christmas Eve service at 7 pm on December 24, or if you prefer, you may deliver your gift electronically at www.resurrectionmcc.org/giving.

Please know that all of your gifts of time, talent, and treasure are immeasurably appreciated and valued by this, your church.

Rejoicing generously with you at the manger,



Rev. Troy Treash
Senior Pastor



FRIDAY NIGHT OUT CENTRAL

FRIDAY • 7 - 9 pm
JANUARY 2

Jenni's Noodle House

602 E 20th St, Houston, TX 77008
713-862-3344 • www.noodlesrule.com

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!

www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150102c
FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org



HIV / STD Testing

by Planned Parenthood

JANUARY 4

9 am - 1 pm • Gathering Place
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



IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY
JANUARY 3
2 - 4 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.

www.meetup.com/drummingcircle
RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org



CAMPUS CARE TEAM MEETING

MONDAY
January 5
6:15 - 7:30 pm • Conference Room

The Campus Care Team is still being formed and will be responsible for assessing the condition of the facilities and site. The team meets monthly to plan and execute maintenance projects around our campus. The team plans and participates in our monthly Campus Care Days, and hosts Friends By The Fire. Dinner served at 6:15 pm.

www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150105
Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org



SACRED SERVICE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY

JANUARY 7

6:30 - 8:00 pm • Gathering Place

All Volunteer Team Leaders are invited to a quarterly 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-20150107
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houston food bank

FRIDAY

JANUARY 8

6 - 9 pm

Houston Food Bank, 535 Portwall St, Houston 77029

Join us in the fight against hunger as we volunteer with the Houston Food bank. We'll assist others in processing food that will help feed our hungry neighbors. Wear jeans, t-shirt, and tennis shoes (shorts and open-toed shoes are not permitted for safety reasons). Wear a Resurrection MCC "Love Thy Neighbor" shirt if available. Registration required to volunteer.

Details & RSVP: www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150109
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WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR OTHERS?
- MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE

MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2015
9 am - 1 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 19, please volunteer with us to assemble and stuff backpacks, clean the courtyard, sort and clean donated clothing, and gather & arrange young adult books in the library. Register online at www.bit.ly/MLK-MGP2015

DONATE

- You may help by purchasing any items below. Label them "MLK DOS" and drop them off at 4711 Sharon Street, Houston TX 77020, from January 1 - 18. Mondays - Wednesdays, 2 - 6 pm. Thursdays, 2 - 10 pm.
- Unopened travel-sized toiletries including insect repellent, individual rolls of toilet paper, wet wipes, hand sanitizer, deodorant, disposable razors, shaving cream, sun block and feminine hygiene products
- Winter accessories such as disposable hand warmers, stretchy gloves, scarves, and warm hats (red and blue colors are not preferred)
- New and unopened socks (for all sizes and genders)
- Notebooks and pens / pencils
- Reusable water bottles
- Emergency and first-aid supplies such as small flashlights and batteries, lighters, small first aid kits, and rain ponchos.
- Food such as beef jerky and snack packs

EXPLORING YOUR SPIRITUAL LOCATION



2 WEDNESDAYS

JANUARY 14 & 21

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-EYSL2015
RevKristen@ResurrectionMCC.org



MCC 101

SUNDAY

JANUARY 18

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.

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¡DOMINGOS!
SERVICIO RELIGIOSO
SE INTERPRETA
EN ESPAÑOL
A LAS 11 AM.

Sunday Worship
now interpreted into
Spanish at 11 am.

English Assistive Listening
available at 9 & 11 am



Please pick up an Audio Receiver in the Narthex.

FOOD PANTRY

First Sunday (Protein)

Tuna, Chicken, Vienna Sausages, Lunch Loaf

Second Sunday (Fruits & Vegetables)

Canned Fruit, Peas, Corn, Green Beans

Third Sunday (Carb)

Small bags of Rice/Beans, Pasta Noodles, Soup

Fourth Sunday (Breakfast)

Cereal, Oatmeal

Fifth Sunday (Toiletries, Travel-size)

Soap, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo

Please note that all items listed are food products that we use for the food bags. Although we are happy to accept your food donations, please consider purchasing only the items listed above.

Your continued support of this ministry is truly making a difference in the lives of many. For more information, check out our new Web site, www.pride-charities.com, or "Like" us on Facebook.

YOGA CONNECTIONS

Instructors Alternate Weekly:
Darrin Brindle, Robin Mack,
Debbie Kelly, 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**

12-STEP SUPPORT GROUPS

Rainbow of Hope
Narcotics Anonymous



Tuesdays, 7 - 8 pm | Chapel

A recovery program that offers hope and freedom from active addiction in a safe space for the LGBTQ community. This group meets weekly to help each other learn a new way of life through sharing their experience, strength, and hope. 832-326-6330

Overeaters Anonymous



Wednesdays, 7 - 8 pm & Saturdays, 9:30 - 10:30 am | Chapel

A program of recovery from compulsive eating that is not just about weight loss, weight gain maintenance, obesity, or diets. This support group also addresses physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. OA@ResurrectionMCC.org

Throwback Thursday Old School

Big Book Study



Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Chapel

Bring Your Big Book, a highlighter, and get ready to get down with the dictionary and the first 164 pages and Dr. Bob's story! All Big Book-based 12-Step Recovery folks welcome to this open AA Meeting. BigBook@ResurrectionMCC.org

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Ads@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

General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended December 14, 2014

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$9,624.33	\$814,137.60
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,837.38	\$891,868.87
Total Giving Variance		(\$77,731.27)
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$16,961.20	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,837.38	
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	495	432
Programming	156	181
Total Weekly Attendance	651	613

Ministry Plan Need is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2014 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives (i.e., the amount needed to make ministry happen)

This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

SUNDAY		DECEMBER 21
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
12:30 pm	Christmas Basket Distribution	Activities Building
7:00 pm	The Mankind Project Support Group	Chapel
MONDAY		DECEMBER 22
7:00 pm	A Return to Love Book Study	Gathering Place
TUESDAY		DECEMBER 23
6:00 pm	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	Chapel
7:00 pm	Yoga	Activities Building
WEDNESDAY		DECEMBER 24
7:00 pm	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Worship Service	Sanctuary
THURSDAY		DECEMBER 25
6:30 pm	AA Big Book 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
FRIDAY		DECEMBER 26
OFFICE CLOSED		
6:45 pm	Critical Mass Bike Ride	
SATURDAY		DECEMBER 27
OFFICE CLOSED		
9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
SUNDAY		DECEMBER 28
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
7:00 pm	The Mankind Project Support Group	Chapel



DISTRIBUTE CHRISTMAS BASKETS

TODAY

12:30 - 3 pm
Activities Building

Assist with arranging baskets for distribution, signing in clients, and distributing baskets.

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BRUNCH BUDDIES

TODAY

12:30 pm

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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 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!

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