



Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

December 17, 2017

The Gathering / La reunion

Rev. Vickey Gibbs

Advent Song / Cani3n adventista

Joy to the World with Shout for Joy

Joy to the world the Lord is come, Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and heaven and nature sing

Shout for joy, For the Child of God is the Saving One
Yes the saving One, Shout for joy
See what love has done, You have come for us
Yes, the saving One

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns, Let all our songs employ
While fields and floods, Rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

Shout for joy, For the Child of God is the Saving One
Yes the saving One, Shout for joy
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by Paul Baloche and George Frideric Handel
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Children's Blessing / *Benedic3n de los Nin3s* (11 am)

Debbie Mansfield

+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit. / Usted est1 invitado a levantarse en cuerpo o esp3ritu.

"...it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep."

Romans 13:11

We Christians believe in "folly" – that there is peace, love, joy and hope in the midst of the good and difficult times. This makes us "odd"—according to those who proclaim the victory of decline and death all around. It is especially in this season of expectant hope that we can instead proclaim the awe-inspiring presence of God's reign that continually makes all things new.

This is a season of odd "juxtaposition"—swords into plowshares, wolves and lambs resting peacefully together, and the "speechless" singing for joy!

Join us as we explore:

December 3

Peace in the Midst of Conflict

December 10

Love in the Midst of Hate

December 17

Joy in the Midst of Despair

December 24

Hope in the Midst of Hopelessness

Christmas Eve

Candlelight Service - Presence in the Midst of Loneliness

December 31

Praise in the Midst of Suffering

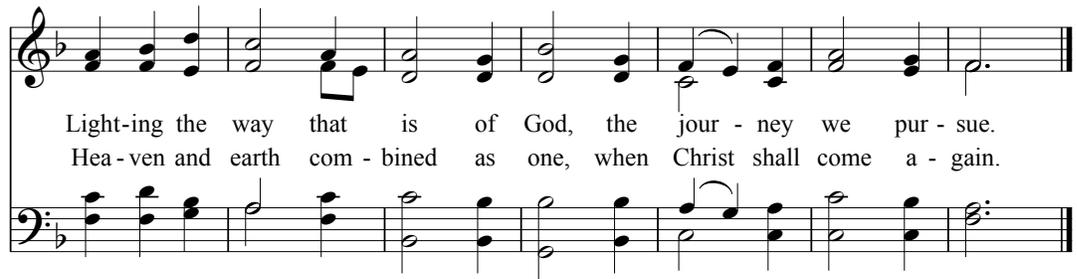
Joy in the Midst of Despair

We wonder what one person, or one church, can do as we despair at the injustices of the world. When helplessness makes us feel weak in the hands or feeble in the knees, we are reminded of the power of the "lowly servants" as Mary's prophetic voice rings out in the "Magnificat" (the song of one awe-struck young woman!). Things in the reign of God are topsy-turvy. As we light the candle of Joy we acknowledge that we, the Body of Christ, must be "born again" this Advent into the awe of God that leads to the joy of liberating service.

Advent Response



1. Kin - dle this flame of hope. May it burn bright and true.
2. God's realm is our de - sire, where peace and jus - tice reign.



Light-ing the way that is of God, the jour - ney we pur - sue.
Hea - ven and earth com - bined as one, when Christ shall come a - gain.

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MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

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+ Hebrew Scriptures / Escrituras hebreas

Rhea Jared

Isaiah 35:2-3

It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory and majesty of God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees.

Psalm 146: 7

Who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. God sets the prisoners free.

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

+ Christian Scriptures / Escrituras cristianas

Rhea Jared

Luke 1: 50, 52

God's mercy is for those who live in awe from generation to generation....God has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly;

One: This is the word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem / Selección Musical

Gospel Ensemble

The Gift

Sermon / Sermón

Rev. Troy Treash

Awed and Odd: Joy in the Midst of Despair

Moment of Reflection / Momento de Reflexión

Mark C. Brown

Invitation to Give / Invitación a Dar

Van English

*You may also give by credit or debit card at the Welcome Center Kiosk
or by texting GOTLOVE to 73256.*

Offertory / Ofrenda

Gospel Ensemble

I Hear The Sound (Of Victory)
Words and Music by Maurette Brown-Clark

Prayer of Receiving / Oración de Recepción

Van English

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 unfermented 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 / Comunión

Rev. Troy Treash
Rev. Vickey Gibbs

Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunión

Away in a Manger

by Martin Luther, John Thomas McFarland, and James Ramsey Murray
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Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

by Felix Mendelssohn and Charles Wesley
Public Domain, CCLI# 27738

What Child Is This?

by William Chatterton Dix
Public Domain, CCLI# 30983

Prayer of Thanksgiving / Acción de Gracias

Rev. Vickey Gibbs

+ Closing Song / Canto de Salida

Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child

Jesus, Jesus, oh what a wonderful child;
Jesus, Jesus, so lowly meek and mild;
New life, new hope, new joy he brings.
Won't you listen to the angels sing?
Glory, glory, glory,
To the new born king.

Jesus, Jesus, oh what a wonderful child;
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Composer Traditional
Public Domain

+ 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 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 - 12 years are invited to join our Youth Ministries Program during the 11 am service in the Activities Building (located across the breezeway from our Sanctuary building). During the 11 am Worship service, children will be invited to the front of the Sanctuary for a brief blessing, and volunteers will then escort them to the Activities Building.

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.

Our **MISSION** is to demonstrate God's unconditional love to all people through Christ-like action.

Our **VISION** is to boldly experience, engage, and embody our faith to transform ourselves and the world into the full expression of Christ's inclusive love.

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.

Core Values

INCLUSION

Love is our greatest moral value. Inclusion is a primary focus of our ministry. We believe that all people, as they are and where they are, should be welcomed at God's table.

COMMUNITY

Our deep desire is to offer a safe and open community for people to worship, learn, share, and grow in their faith. 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

A message of liberation guides our ministry. We believe that when people are invited to experience God through the life and ministry of Christ, lives are transformed.

JUSTICE

We are committed to uplifting all people and standing with those who suffer under the weight of oppressive systems. We are guided by our commitment to global human rights.



December 13, 2017

Shiv Dharan, our fellow congregant and staff member, will be moving back to St. Louis, Missouri to be with his family, in January. His last day as our Director of Operations will be December 31, 2017.

In his resignation letter, Shiv shared feeling both deep regret and some excitement about this transition. He looks forward to spending more time as a grandfather and taking on a more active role with his family. He acknowledges that he will miss the family he has created here as he departs. It is with deep appreciation that we accept his letter of resignation and send prayers of blessing along with him.

Shiv has been an excellent Director of Operations. His commitment to hospitality and service advanced our ministry significantly. He added his own flair to our community with home-cooked meals appearing regularly with delicious vegetarian options. When Shiv stepped into the flood waters from Hurricane Harvey to assess the damage to our campus, he brought us all along live on Facebook. With photos of campus care days and Friday Nights OUT he helped connect us through his own joyful spirit.

We will celebrate Shiv's ministry with us on his last day with us, Sunday, December 31, at 12:30 pm. Come join us as we share our memories of his ministry with us and send him forward with an abundance of hugs and love.

We have posted the Director of Operations position on our website at www.ResurrectionMCC.org/jobs. If you would like to apply, please review the Position Description online and send your resume to RevTroy@ResurrectionMCC.org. We encourage you to share this posting with anyone you think may be qualified and interested in becoming a part of our ministry team at Resurrection MCC! We hope to fill the position in January.

With blessings,

Rev. Troy Treash
Senior Pastor
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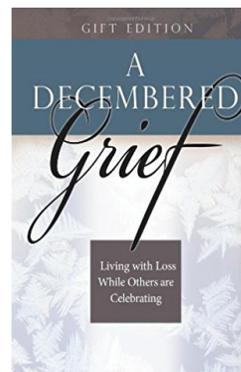


FOREVER BLEST SECOND CD ON SALE TODAY

Activities Building

It's the most wonderful time of the year to purchase CDs for stocking stuffers and holiday gifts. This long anticipated second CD is sure to warm your heart and get some toes a-tappin'! CDs are \$15 each and will be available after services every Sunday through Christmas. All proceeds will be donated to the Resurrection MCC General Fund.

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Journaling Your Decembered Grief: To Help You Through Your Loss

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 20

7 - 8:30 pm • Activities Building

While others celebrate, those who grieve may find the holidays a time when their misery intensifies. Vincent van Gogh's last words resonate with many grievers this holiday season: "the sadness will never go away." No, it will not go away. But it will change. Grief can be overwhelming, and it is especially intense during the holidays -- those weeks that have always been spent in preparation and anticipation with a loved one who has been lost. Let us transform the holidays into a time of grace & healing.

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CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

SUNDAY • 7 PM
DECEMBER 24

Join us for a beautiful service featuring our Mass Choir, Dave Zeger String Quartet, Alina Garcia, Christopher Plata, Steven Shannon, and Cassandra White. Worship will close with a candlelight postlude.

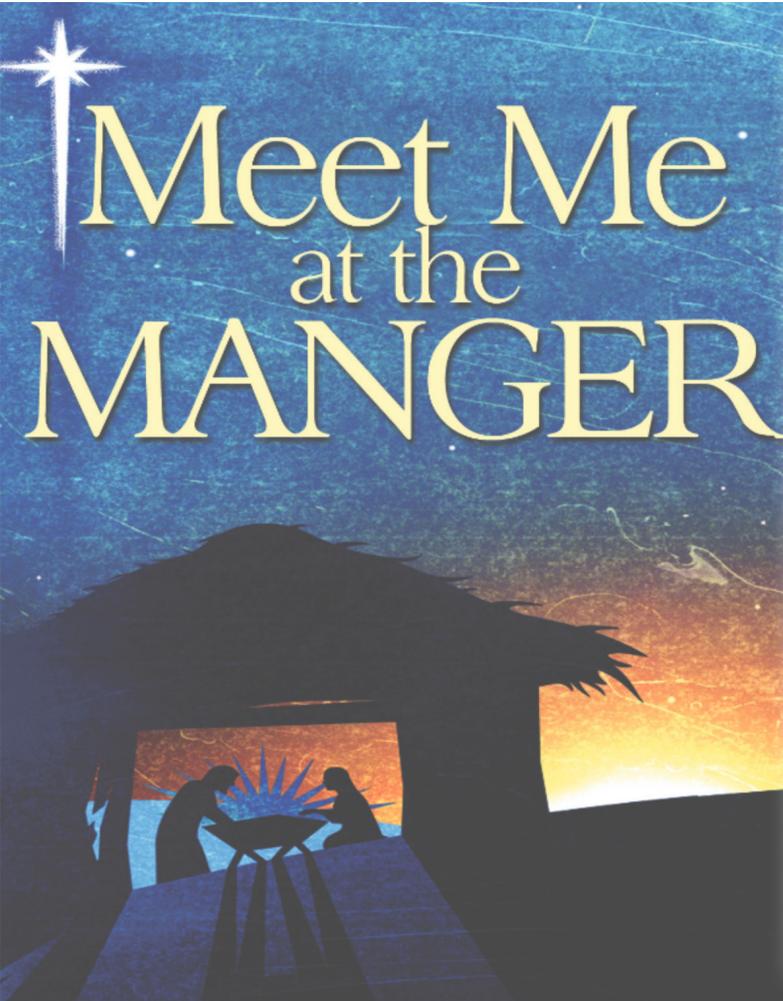


KWANZAA

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 27
7 - 8:30 pm

Join us as we sing, dance, drum, tell and listen to stories, eat, learn about the principles and symbols, and celebrate Kwanzaa! Bring a book that is suitable for children from Pre-K to 12th grade that tells the stories of Africa, the diaspora of Africans, or African Americans. We'll donate the books to YES Prep, an open-enrollment public charter school system serving students in grades six through twelve in Houston's most underserved communities.

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Meet Me at the MANGER

At Resurrection MCC we celebrate the gift of God's love every day, all year long.

We celebrate God's love with special joy at Christmas, blessed that long ago God put each of us "at the top of the list" and gave the most wonderful gift to us all - Jesus Christ. Each Christmas, as we gather at the manger to receive the gift of Jesus Christ anew, we come grateful. And this time, we come bringing our gifts too . . .

You're invited to join us . . . Meet Me at the Manger!

It's beautifully simple: This Christmas, as you open your hearts and make a list of your family and friends and the gifts you hope to give this Christmas, give thanks for the blessing of your loved ones and for God's provision which makes it possible for you to have gifts to bring them.

And then put Jesus on the top of the list.

In the candlelit beauty of Christmas Eve, many of us will make a special gift to the ministry of Resurrection MCC in celebration of our relationship with Jesus and his life among us. We will make an offering (beyond our regular giving) in the amount of one dollar more than the cost of the most expensive gift we have on our list. We will place it in a small gift box, and place it in a basket near the altar on Christmas Eve. For some of us, this is a way of honoring what we value most this season; for others, it's a way to say "Thank you!" or "I love you!" to God. For many of us, it is a spiritual practice, like prayer or fasting. For all of us, it is a joy and a blessing.

We hope you will join us . . . Meet Me at the Manger!
Empty gift boxes are available at all of the Sanctuary entrances.



Manifesting Your Heart's Desires

WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 3

7 - 8:30 pm

Our amazing brains constantly create what we focus on -- either consciously or unconsciously. A part of our brain is actually dedicated to manifesting our thoughts. This means there is a way to consciously manifest sacred dreams and longed-for desires! Learn how to direct that part of your brain to achieve your hearts' desires -- for ourselves, for others, and for the world around us. Join us -- even if you aren't sure what you want to create in your life right now.

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HEARTSAVER CERTIFICATION COURSE

SATURDAY
JANUARY 6

10 am - 2 pm

This course is an American Heart Association certification course taught by an experienced CPROLOGIST®. The class includes a same day certification valid for two years. Learn about: Adult, Child, and Infant CPR and AED Use; Relieving of choking; First Aid basics; Medical, Injury, and Environmental Emergency Care. Contact Youth@ResurrectionMCC.org with questions. The cost of this certification course is \$95. Advance registration and payment required at www.ResurrectionMCC.org/cpr



FRIDAY, JANUARY 5

7 - 9 pm

Del-Mar Lanes

3020 Mangum, Houston 77092

Let's go bowling! Again! A great time was had by all who attended our last bowling event. You should join us! Cost is \$15 per person, which includes two hours of bowling as well as rental of bowling ball and shoes. Food and drinks are available at the snack bar. This event is limited to 30 people, so sign up early. Pre-registration and payment required in advance at www.ResurrectionMCC.org/bowlarama

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RMCC 101

SUNDAY

JANUARY 7

12:30 - 2 pm • Chapel

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 the 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. Light breakfast provided.

Connections@ResurrectionMCC.org



CAMPUS CARE TEAM MEETING

MONDAY
JANUARY 8

6:15 - 7:30 pm • Activities Building #212

The Campus Care Team is responsible for assessing the ever-changing conditions on our campus and grounds. We meet monthly to plan and execute much needed maintenance projects in and around our church home. All are welcome to attend this meeting and see if this ministry is a fit for your Spirit! Dinner served at 6:15 pm.

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FRIDAY NIGHT OUT



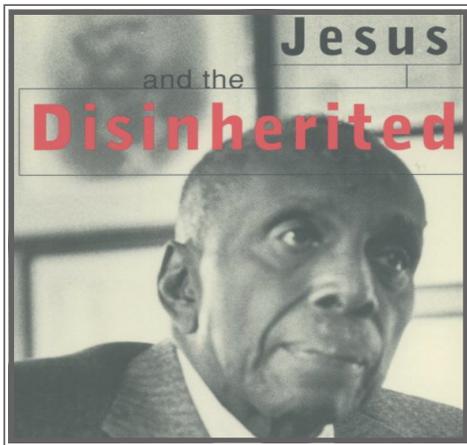
FRIDAY • 7 - 9 pm
JANUARY 12

Theo's Restaurant

812 Westheimer Rd, Houston, TX 77006
(713) 523-0425 • www.theohouston.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!

FridayNightOUT@ResurrectionMCC.org



WEDNESDAYS
JANUARY 10 - FEBRUARY 7

Gathering Place • 7 - 8:30 pm

Can the Gospel be read as a manual of resistance for the poor and disenfranchised? In his classic work, *Jesus and the Disinherited*, acclaimed theologian and leader Howard Thurman demonstrates that Jesus is a partner in the pain of the oppressed. By the example of Jesus' life, we are offered a solution to ending the descent into moral nihilism. Learn how hatred does not empower -- it decays. Only through self-love and love of one another can God's justice prevail.

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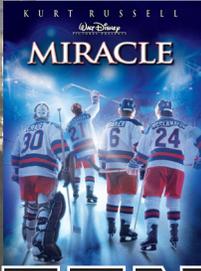
A Gathering with John Pavlovitz

SATURDAY
JANUARY 13

10 am - Noon • Gathering Place

Join Author and Blogger John Pavlovitz, a 20-year ministry veteran who is still trying to figure out how to love people well and to live-out the red letters of Jesus as he shares from his new work, *A Bigger Table: Building Messy, Authentic, and Hopeful Spiritual Community*.

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SCREEN ON THE GREEN

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

7 - 9:30 pm • Discovery Green
1500 McKinney St, Houston, TX 77010

Enjoy a movie against the Houston skyline. Bring your friends, bring a blanket, bring your skates, bring lawn chairs and enjoy the movie *Miracle* -- a true story of a hockey player turned coach, who led the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team to a seemingly impossible victory over the Soviet Union (who had won gold in 6 of the past 7 Winter Olympic Games). For some of us this movie is memory to enjoy. For others, it will be a history lesson. Make plans to have a fun evening!

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THAT MATTERS

WEEKENDS

January 26 - 28

February 23 - 25

March 23 - 25

Creating a Life that Matters (CLM) is all about relationships: intentional, authentic relationships – with the Sacred, our Self, and our Passion. CLM transforms lives and inspires people to more directed, clear, passionate involvement in their life and in the life of the planet, through the support of their local MCC. This weekend retreat will be implemented over the fourth weekends of January, February, and March. Registration fee is \$150. Pre-registration required at www.ResurrectionMCC.org/clm.

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FOREVER BLEST CONCERT

SATURDAY
JANUARY 13

7 - 8:30 pm

The evening of music and fun will include songs from their second CD, as well as skits, special features, and old favorites. "Our goal is to have equal servin's of laughin' and cryin'," says the special guest emcee who will host the evening. A reception follows the concert with coffee, cobbler, and ice cream, along with a big helping of fellowship. A love offering will be received to benefit the ministries of the church.

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FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry, operated by Pride Charities, is in need of unexpired food donations every Sunday. Please consider bringing a few items on Sunday and placing them in the shopping basket located in the Welcome Center. You may make a cash donation by writing your check to "Pride Charities" and placing it in the Sunday offering plate. Financial donations are also accepted online at www.Pride-Charities.org. Your continued generosity provides life-sustaining nourishment to the families we serve. Volunteers are needed to help with food distribution. If you would like to sign up to volunteer once a month, please email Info@Pride-Charities.org.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Rainbow of Hope Narcotics Anonymous



Tuesdays | 7 - 8 pm | Activities Building #202
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 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Activities Building #108
Saturdays | 9:30 - 10:30 am | Worship Arts Room
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

re:MIND Depression and Bipolar Support



Thursdays | 7 - 8:30 pm | Activities Building
Free and confidential support group for individuals living with, or family and friends affected by, depression and bipolar disorders. We help individuals, family members, and friends understand these two difficult, yet treatable, mental disorders. In addition, re:MIND works to educate the public about depression and bipolar disorders, confront social stigma, and advocate for the rights of people living with mental disorders. info@remindsupport.org



LA CASA DE TODOS SERVICIO Y ESTUDIO BÍBLICO EN ESPAÑOL

(SPANISH WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY)

DOMINGOS

3:00 - 4:30 pm • Edificio de actividades

¿Te gustaría conocer más sobre la Biblia? ¿Quieres conocer el mensaje de Dios para tu vida? ¿Sabes que Dios te ama, sin importar a quién ames? El propósito será que por medio de clases dinámicas y prácticas podamos llegar al conocimiento de las verdades espirituales de una manera sencilla, para poder entender, practicar y vivir en la conciencia de que Dios nos ama y no rechaza a nadie por su orientación o por ser diferentes. Buscamos llegar a la comunidad TLGBQ+ Latina, para ir formando una comunidad de fe que responda a sus necesidades y en su propio idioma.

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INformation is a peer led support group focused on creating a gender inclusive community for transgender and gender non-conforming individuals, spouses and partners.

Support Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Monday
from 7:00 to 8:30 pm
7:00 pm to 7:45 pm Transgender/GNC Support
7:00 pm to 7:45 pm Spouses and Partners Support
7:45 pm to 8:30 pm Both groups meet together

Celebrating Your Birthday!

We would like to send you birthday greetings on your special day so please take a moment to complete your profile in ACS so that we are able to celebrate your birthday with you. It is easy to do. Just go to our Web site at www.ResurrectionMCC.org click on the "My Journey" logo and create or update your profile.

General Fund Giving Report

For YTD Ended December 10, 2017

	Anticipated	Actual
General Offerings	\$720,593.19	\$716,280.13
Fundraising*	\$55,000.00	\$51,409.80
Events/Leases	\$179,684.00	\$181,552.10
Total Income	\$955,277.19	\$949,242.03
Variance		(\$6,035.16)
Attendance	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	291	362
Programming	156	298
Total Weekly Attendance	447	660

Ministry Plan Need is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2017 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives.

* In 2017, the anticipated fundraising amount will be adjusted according to the actual dates when the fundraising events occur.

This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

This schedule lists open offerings for which all are invited to participate. This is not a comprehensive list of all events on campus.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 17

9:00 am	Worship Service	Activities Building
10:15 am	Coffee Talk	Activities Building
11:00 am	Worship Service	Activities Building
12:15 pm	Coffee Talk	Activities Building
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Off Campus
12:30 pm	Christmas Celebration	Activities Building
1:30 pm	Devotion in Motion	Activities Building
3:00 pm	La Casa De Todos	Activities Building

MONDAY DECEMBER 18

6:30 pm	Toastmasters	Worship Arts Room
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TUESDAY DECEMBER 19

7:00 pm	Gospel Ensemble Rehearsal	Worship Arts Room
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Activities Building
7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous	Activities Building #206

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 20

6:30 pm	Overeaters Anonymous	Activities Building #108
7:00 pm	Journaling Your Decempered Grief	Activities Building

THURSDAY DECEMBER 21

7:00 pm	re:MIND	Worship Arts Room
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FRIDAY DECEMBER 22

No Events Scheduled

SATURDAY OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 23

9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous	Worship Arts Room
10:00 am	Devotion in Motion	Activities Building

SUNDAY DECEMBER 24

9:00 am	Worship Service	Activities Building
10:15 am	Coffee Talk	Activities Building
11:00 am	Worship Service	Activities Building
12:15 pm	Coffee Talk	Activities Building
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Off Campus
12:30 pm	Liturgical Theatre	Activities Building #202
3:00 pm	La Casa De Todos	Activities Building
7:00 pm	Mankind Support Group	Worship Arts Room
7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Worship	Activities Building



COFFEE TALK

Every Sunday After Worship Activities Building

Coffee Talk is an opportunity to make friends over conversation and breakfast snacks every Sunday! We hope you will find this as a great way to meet new friends and reconnect with those you already know. We are in need of finger foods each Sunday. Please consider bringing and sharing your favorite sweet or savory dish at Coffee Talk. Contact Shiv@ResurrectionMCC.org with questions or offerings.



NEXT WEEK: JAX GRILL

BRUNCH BUDDIES

Berryhill Baja Grill

702 E 11th St, Houston, TX 77008,
www.berryhillbajagrill.com • 713-225-225

TODAY • 12:30 PM

Join us at a nearby restaurant every Sunday. The restaurant name and address will be printed in this location 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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