



# Resurrection

Metropolitan Community Church

March 8, 2015

## + Call To Worship

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

One: Sometimes we forget how to be whole.

**ALL: Restore us, remind us who we are.**

One: Sometimes we avoid that which makes us uncomfortable.

**ALL: Restore us, bring all the parts into one.**

One: Sometimes fear keeps us from trying.

**ALL: Restore our full beings back to your love.**

One: Today, we come to worship you O God.

**ALL: We bring our whole selves. It is a miracle.**

One: We bring our fullness and emptiness, our joy and sorrow.

**ALL: We bring our whole selves. It is a miracle.**

One: We bring our body and spirit, our thinking and feeling.

**ALL: We bring our whole selves. It is a miracle.**

## + Opening Hymn / Himno

### *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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## Lent

Well, here we are again. It is Lent. Ash Wednesday begins a forty-day journey (plus Sundays) to Easter. This season in the life of the Church is fashioned after Jesus' forty days in the wilderness, where he fasted and prayed and struggled with temptation in an effort to discern his true relationship to God. Each year, Christians are called to slow the pace of their hectic lives and enter into forty days of introspection marked by spiritual disciplines such as prayer, almsgiving, and fasting in order to discern our true relationship to God.

In the history of the Christian Church, the way people have made this Lenten journey is to 'give up' or 'take on' certain things. This giving up or taking on is what is known as spiritual practices or disciplines. Fasting, the giving up of food, or a bad habit, or too much television or internet; prayer, the taking on of a specific time and way to talk to God; and almsgiving, the giving of ourselves to others through acts of kindness or presence, are spiritual practices that prepare the soil of our souls for God's work of transformation in us.

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+ You are invited to rise in body or spirit.

For this forty-day period, all of us are invited to enter into covenant with God and one another, to be intentional about the journey we will make together. We covenant with God and one another because God is a God of covenant. God's covenant with us is redemption and transformation. God accomplishes in us what we cannot do for ourselves.

--Rev Elder Mona West

**Our Community Gathers / Nuestro Comunidad Se Reúne**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

**Announcements / Anuncios**

Rev. Troy Treash

+ **Exchange of Peace / Saludo de Paz**

Rev. Dr. Michael Diaz

**Gathering Song / Canción de Bienvenida**

*Let There Be Peace On Earth*

Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me.  
Let there be peace on earth, The peace that was meant to be.  
With God as Creator, United all are we.  
Let us walk with each other, In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, Let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take, Let this be my solemn vow.  
To take each moment, And live each moment  
With peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth,  
And let it begin with me.

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**Contemporary Reading / Lectura Contemporánea**

Kym Adams

*A Year of Miracles, Marianne Williamson*

I want both to be in touch with my anger and to release my anger. What I do not want is to project my anger on to someone else in the false belief that I will then feel better. Such behavior offers temporary relief, yet a more enduring suffering. Anger, if I feel it, should be acknowledged. But I need not, and should not, act on it in dysfunctional ways. I feel my anger, accept it is there, and surrender it to God for transformation. May spirit alchemize my broiling emotions, that I might rise above them.

**Liturgical Drama**

Anger Management 101

+ **Scripture Reading / Lectura Bíblica**

Kym Adams

*John 2:13-22*

Since it was almost the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the Temple, he found people selling cattle, sheep and pigeons, while moneychangers sat at their counters. Making a whip out of cords, Jesus drove them all out of the Temple--even the cattle and sheep--and overturned the tables of the money changers, scattering their coins. Then he faced the pigeon sellers: "Take all this out of here! Stop turning God's house into a market!" The disciples remembered the words of scripture: "Zeal for your house consumes me."

One: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem / Selección Musical**

Sanctuary Choir

***Prayer for Peace***  
by Buryl Red

**Sermon / Sermón**

Rev. Troy Treash

***From Fear To Love: Anger***

**Moment of Reflection / Momento de reflexión**

Mark C. Brown

**We Offer Ourselves**

Terry Hay

**Offertory / Ofertorio**

Sanctuary Choir

***Go Now In Peace***  
by Don Besig and Nancy Price

**Communion / Comunion**

Rev. Andrea Ferguson

**Communion Songs / Cantos de Comunion**

***Eat This Bread***

Words adapted from John 6 by Robert J Bastastini Music by Jacques Berthier

***10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)***  
by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

***Revelation Song***  
by Jennie Lee Riddle

## From Fear to Love

Miracles come in all forms --big and small, subtle and awesome. Each and every time one of us moves from Fear to Love it is a miracle. This Sunday Worship Series runs alongside our Wednesday evening offering of Everyday Miracles. In both, we will incorporate the wisdom of Marianne Williamson who celebrates as a miracle each shift of perspective that returns us to love. Join us!

### **February 22**

From Fear to Love:  
Angels

### **March 1**

From Fear to Love:  
Adversaries

### **March 8**

From Fear to Love:  
Anger

### **March 15**

From Fear to Love:  
Actions

### **March 22**

From Fear to Love:  
Abundance

## 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.

## + Closing Song / Canto de Salida

### *I Am Free*

Through you the blind will see  
Through you the mute will sing  
Through you the dead will rise  
Through you all hearts will praise  
Through you the darkness flees  
Through you my heart screams  
I am free  
Yes, I am free

I am free to run. (I am free to run.)  
I am free to dance. (I am free to dance.)  
I am free to live for You. (I am free to live for You.)  
I am free! (I am free!)

I am free to run. (I am free to run.)  
I am free to dance. (I am free to dance.)  
I am free to live for You. (I am free to live for You.)  
I am free! (I am free!)

by Jon Egan  
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## + Benediction / Bendición

Rev. Troy Treash

## + Postlude / Postludio

Instrumental Ensemble

*For Everyone Born*  
by Shirley Erena Murray

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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. 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.

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

### Resurrection MCC

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# Everyday Miracles: Turning from Fear to Love Virtual Discussion Group

You are invited to be a part of a virtual Lenten discussion on Facebook which began on Thursday, February 26. We will offer a weekly meditation and discussion questions from Everyday Miracles: Turning from Fear to Love. This will be a closed group, which means that, although anyone can find the group and see who the group members are, only group members can see each other's posts. Each Thursday a new post will include a meditation for that week's discussion, as well as discussion questions to which group members can respond in the comments section.

The intent of the virtual discussion is to provide an opportunity for life development for people who would not otherwise be able to participate, due to personal schedules or travel distance. If you are interested in being a part of the virtual discussion group, simply request to become a member at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2015RMCCEverydayMiracles/> or email Rev. Vickey Gibbs at [RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org).



## MCC 101

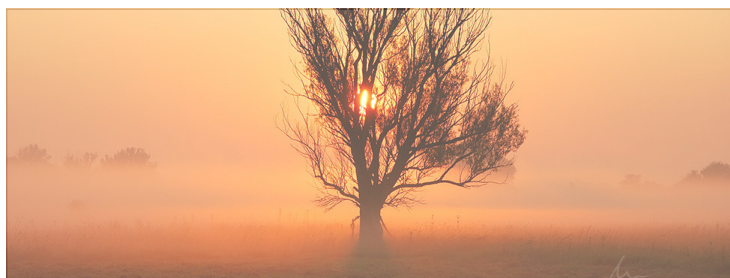
SUNDAY

**MARCH 15**

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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# Everyday Miracles: Turning from Fear to Love

6 WEDNESDAYS

**FEBRUARY 25 - APRIL 5**

7 - 8:30 pm • Gathering place

What if miracles were available to us everyday? The miraculous shift from living in fear to living from love IS available daily, if we would just open our hearts and eyes to see that God is acting through the universe to provide all that we need, day by day! This Lenten season we will engage devotional excerpts from "A Year of Miracles" by Marianne Williamson to choose love over fear and to discover anew God's miracles of spiritual comfort, strength, guidance, freedom, and abundance in our lives! [RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org)



WEDNESDAY

**MARCH 18**

7:30 PM • Neon Boots Dancehall & Saloon  
11410 Hempstead Hwy, Houston 77092

Join your church family for Neon Boots Bingo & Steak Night! Resurrection MCC is the beneficiary on Wednesday evenings. One Bingo session for \$12 or two sessions for \$20. Doors open at 4 pm. \$10 Steak Night at 5 pm offers a rib-eye or chicken, a salad, and your choice of mashed potatoes, green beans, or mac & cheese.

[www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150318](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150318)  
[RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)

# File Your Taxes for **FREE!!**

*\*For those who  
earn less than  
\$58,000/yr*



*Learn how the Affordable Care Act can affect your taxes, how to use your Health Insurance, how the Ryan White Health Insurance Assistance Program can help with your health insurance costs and have a tax professional file your taxes (no appointment needed)*

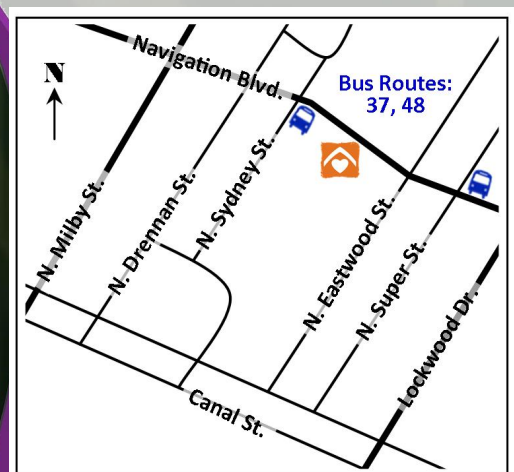
Light refreshments  
will be served.

For more information, contact:  
Ryan White Planning Council  
Office of Support  
713 572-3724

**Saturday, March 14, 2015**  
**10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Ripley House**  
**4410 Navigation Blvd.**  
**Room 208**  
**Houston, TX 77003**

***Event Sponsors:***



# 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:

[Yoga@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Yoga@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# FRIENDS BY THE FIRE

FRIDAY

## MARCH 20

7 - 9:30 pm • Outside

Please bring a chair and blanket and join us as we watch "The Karate Kid" on the side of the Activities Building! Gourmet sausages and dogs, "S'mores", Pop-Corn, and Hot Chocolate will be provided. In the case of inclement weather, we will have the movie and food inside the activities building - you all will be the Fire! All are welcome....see you there! sponsored by the Campus Care Team.

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[Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org)



## HIV / STD Testing

by Planned Parenthood

### APRIL 5

10 am - 1 pm • Gathering Place

*After both Worship 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](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)



## IMANI VIDA DRUM CIRCLE

SATURDAY

### APRIL 4

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 Activities Building, as well as other locations for other special drumming occasions.

[www.meetup.com/drummingcircle](http://www.meetup.com/drummingcircle)

[RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevMichael@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# The Last Week Hybrid Book STUDY GROUP

## MEETING SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday (1:00 pm),  
Thursday & Friday (6 pm) on campus

## VIRTUAL MEETING

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Saturday and Easter  
[www.facebook.com  
events/1051145694900938/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1051145694900938/)

Meeting on and virtually this group will engage the book, *The Last Week*, written by top Jesus scholars Marcus J. Borg and John Dominic Crossan who have joined together to reveal a radical and little-known Jesus. Using the gospel of Mark as their guide, Borg and Crossan present a day-by-day account of Jesus's final week of life. They begin their story on Palm Sunday with two triumphal entries into Jerusalem. The first entry, that of Roman governor Pontius Pilate leading Roman soldiers into the city, symbolized military strength. The second heralded a new kind of moral hero who was praised by the people as he rode in on a humble donkey. The Jesus introduced by Borg and Crossan is this new moral hero, a more dangerous Jesus than the one enshrined in the church's traditional teachings.

The Last Week depicts Jesus giving up his life to protest power without justice and to condemn the rich who lack concern for the poor. In this vein, at the end of the week Jesus marches up Calvary, offering himself as a model for others to do the same when they are confronted by similar issues. Informed, challenged, and inspired, we not only meet the historical Jesus, but meet a new Jesus who engages us and invites us to follow him.

Contact Rev. Vickey to order a copy of the book (\$10) at [RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org) or 713-861-9149 by 13 March 2015.

# The Last Week Midday Book STUDY GROUP

## MEET ON CAMPUS

Monday, March 30 - Friday, April 3  
12:30 - 2 pm

The Last Week: Using the gospel of Mark as their guide, Borg and Crossan present a day-by-day account of Jesus's final week of life. They begin their story on Palm Sunday with two triumphal entries into Jerusalem. The first entry, that of Roman governor Pontius Pilate leading Roman soldiers into the city, symbolized military strength. The second heralded a new kind of moral hero who was praised by the people as he rode in on a humble donkey. The Jesus introduced by Borg and Crossan is this new moral hero, a more dangerous Jesus than the one enshrined in the church's traditional teachings. Please email [RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org) to reserve your book, *The Last Week* by M Borg and JD Crossan by 13 March.

[www.facebook.com/events/1550600135222690/](http://www.facebook.com/events/1550600135222690/)

# HOLY WEEK

## Maundy Thursday Footwashing Service

Thursday, April 2, 7 - 8 pm  
Sanctuary

This ritual evening begins with a light meal remembering the disciples at the last supper by sharing communion family style. Scripture accounts of this evening Footwashing Service are interspersed with both giving and receiving the action of footwashing as well as the lighting and leaving of the light representing Christ's arrest. Follow in the steps of Jesus this Holy Week.

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## Good Friday Service

Friday, April 3, 7 - 8 pm  
Sanctuary

No greater love...our whole hearts breaking in witness and in worship, this night we walk with Jesus to the cross. No greater love...our whole hearts waking in wonder and in worship, this night we stand with Jesus at the cross. No greater love...come, this night with Jesus, to the cross.

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## Easter Worship

Sunday, April 5, 9 & 11 am  
Sanctuary

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice! The stone is rolled away! Empty is the tomb! Christ is risen! Love has overcome! With music and with song, with wonder and with joy - let all God's people rejoice! Join us for an incredible celebration of God's love risen anew for the life of the world! Rejoice!

## Easter Egg-Stravaganza

Sunday, April 5, 11 am - 1 pm  
Activities Building

A petting zoo, Easter egg hunt, face-painting and more - all beginning during our 11 am Easter worship service at Resurrection MCC! Join us for this fabulous annual celebration of New Life with our young and lively family of faith!

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# Easter Bonnet Parade and Contest

SUNDAY  
**APRIL 5**

Activities Building • 12:30 - 2:00 pm

The Resurrection MCC Worship Arts Department presents its annual Easter Bonnet Parade and Contest. The event will take place in the Activities Building immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service. There will be one Grand Prize winner and two runners-up for those Easter bonnets that receive the most votes. The Easter Bonnet contest entrance fee is \$25.00. Voting tickets are available for \$1.00 each and you can vote as many times as you like! A hearty BBQ Lunch will be available for \$9.00 - \$11.00. All proceeds benefit the RMCC general fund. For more information please email [MarkB@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:MarkB@ResurrectionMCC.org). Thank you!



# CENTER FOR THE HEALING OF RACISM FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES

4 WEDNESDAYS  
**APRIL 8, 15, 22, 29**  
7 - 9 pm • Gathering Place

For over 25 years The Center for Healing Racism, an internationally acclaimed organization for reconciliation and justice founded here in Houston, has been transforming communities one heart at a time. Bringing a powerful process of love-based dialogue about the tragic - yet treatable - epidemic of race-based division in our world, Cherry Steinwender and the CFHR facilitators will be sharing "Race: The Power of an Illusion" and "The Abolitionists" along with teaching, dialogue, and healing.  
[RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:RevVickey@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# CAMPUS CARE TEAM MEETING

MONDAY  
**APRIL 6**  
6:15 - 7:30 pm • Conference Room

**RESURRECTION NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

We are looking for persons interested in stepping up during this Operations transition time. 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. Other opportunities in this ministry are hosting Friends By The Fire, Spirit Walks, and Campus Care Days. All are welcome to attend this meeting and see if this ministry is a fit for your Spirit! Dinner served at 6:15 pm

[www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150406](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150406)  
[Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Facilities@ResurrectionMCC.org)



# houston food bank

FRIDAY  
**APRIL 16**  
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: [www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150109](http://www.bit.ly/RMCC-20150109)  
[Mark@ResurrectionMCC.org](mailto:Mark@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



# DO YOU HAVE HIV AND SUFFER FROM ANXIETY?



The Anxiety and Health Research Laboratory/ Substance Use Treatment Clinic at the University of Houston is recruiting adults with HIV ages 18-65 to participate in a treatment-based study.

- Receive free therapy sessions for anxiety
- Earn up to \$80.00 in HEB gift cards

You might be eligible, contact our clinic at (713) 743-8056 for more information or a confidential pre-screen.



### AHRL-SUTC

This project has been reviewed by the University of Houston Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects (713)743-9204.

# 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

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## General Fund Giving Report

For Week and YTD Ended March 1, 2015

Giving (Tithes and Offerings)	Week Ended	YTD Total
Total Amount Received	\$19,113.01	\$155,808.01
Total Amount Anticipated	\$17,156.25	\$154,406.00
Total Giving Variance		1,401.76
Weekly Giving Comparison		
Average Amount Received	\$17,312.00	
Ministry Plan Need	\$17,156.25	
Attendance		
	Week Ended	YTD Average
Worship	339	411
Programing	276	193
Total Weekly Attendance	615	604

**Ministry Plan Need** is the weekly amount needed per the budget approved by the congregation to achieve our 2015 ministry plan goals and strategic growth initiatives (i.e., the amount needed to make ministry happen)

# This Week @ ResurrectionMCC.org

## SUNDAY MARCH 8

9:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	AIDS Walk Houston 2015	
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Center
3:00 pm	Virtuosity - Houston Heights Orchestra	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Mankind Project Support Group	Chapel

## MONDAY MARCH 9

6:30 pm	Toastmasters	Gathering Place
6:30 pm	Living Your Voice 102	Chapel
6:30 pm	Instrumental Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 pm	Beginner Tribal Bellydance	Activities Building #214
7:00 pm	Gay Men's Chorus of Houston Rehearsal	Music Room

## TUESDAY MARCH 10

6:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30 pm	Beginner Tribal Bellydance	Activities Building #214
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 MARCH 11

7:00 pm	Everyday Miracles	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
7:00 pm	Advanced Tribal Bellydance	Activities Building #214

## THURSDAY MARCH 12

10:30 am	All Levels Egyptian Bellydance	Activities Building #214
6:30 pm	AA Big Book 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
6:30 pm	Intermediate Tribal Bellydance	Activities Building #214
7:00 pm	Grief Recovery Method	Gathering Place

## FRIDAY OFFICE CLOSED MARCH 13

7:00 pm	Real Women Have Curves	Gathering Place
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## SATURDAY OFFICE CLOSED MARCH 14

9:00 am	Sanctuary Choir Work Day	Music Room
9:30 am	Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Meeting	Chapel
10:00 am	Devotion in Motion Dance Rehearsal	Sanctuary

## SUNDAY MARCH 15

9:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
10:15 am	Fisher's Net - Prayer Time	Chapel
10:45 am	Youth Ministries Program	Activities Building
11:00 am	<b>Worship Service</b>	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Brunch Buddies	Welcome Center
12:45 pm	MCC 101	Gathering Place
7:00 pm	The Mankind Project Support Group	Chapel



# BRUNCH BUDDIES

## TODAY

12:30 pm

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2728 W T C JESTER BLVD, HOUSTON, TX 77018  
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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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# TOASTMASTERS

## MONDAYS

6:30 - 8 PM • Gathering Place

Impress your clients, your boss, or even a potential employer during your next job interview. Speak with confidence in one-on-one situations and in presentations for groups of 20 to over 200. Surprise yourself by becoming a member of Toastmasters and see how your personal goals will come true. With Toastmasters you will learn by doing as you improve your public speaking skills in a super supportive environment. Contact Horacio Rodriguez at 954-662-4926 for details. [www.toastmasters.org](http://www.toastmasters.org) [horacio.rodriguez7@gmail.com](mailto:horacio.rodriguez7@gmail.com)