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Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

Alleluia!

Sunday, August 15th 2021

October 2020 Began Our 50th Church Year Long Anniversary Celebration October 1971 - 2021

Service of Gathering

Welcome

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins & Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Announcements

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Please rise as you are able.

Opening Affirmation

Sunshine Cathedral is a different kind of church where the past is past and the future has infinite possibilities.

The Call to Worship

This is the day our God has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Service of Praise

Processional Hymn

Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good

Sing praise to God, our highest good, profound respect expressing. God give us health, life, livelihood, with every needed blessing. To God, who wondrous works performs, creating life and calming storms, to God give praise and glory!

Creation thanks you, Holy One: you made us and renew us. Delighted at what you have done, you show your greatness through us. So may all living things proclaim the wonders of their Maker's name: to God give praise and glory!

What God has made, God will preserve, with righteousness unfailing. Regardless what we may deserve, we see this good prevailing. To God who governs evermore with justice serving rich and poor, to God give praise and glory!

I cry to God, in pain and grief, "Please, God of mercy, hear me!" My certain help provides relief, faith, hope, and love to cheer me. So let me sing, joyful and free: ah, thankful Christians, sing with me: to God give praise and glory!

Forever with us, God is here, Nor ever will desert us. So dearly loved, we shall not fear; there's nothing that can hurt us. We place our trust in God's command, who leads us with a mother's hand: to God give praise and glory!

Dear Christian friends, we bear the name of Christ, our sure salvation. Let us recall Christ Jesus came, most holy incarnation, Came from the one God we adore, came with new life forevermore: to God give praise and glory!

The Decalogue

Deacon Michael Karban

Let us recall the commandments by which we seek to live:

- 1. Worship nothing other than the omnipresent, eternal God
- 2. Do not try to confine God to any image.
- 3. Do not use God's name in hurtful or hateful ways.
- 4. Remember a day each week for worship and renewal.
- 5. Honor your elders.
- 6. Do not murder.
- 7. Do not break sacred vows.
- 8. Do not steal.
- 9. Do not bear false witness against anyone.
- 10. Do not begrudge whatever good fortune your neighbor may enjoy.

St. Paul taught that love is the fulfillment of the law. Jesus said that loving God and neighbor is the message of the law and the prophets. We keep the commandments when we live in love. May the world know us by how loving we are.

Amen.

Sung Response

Ubi Caritas

Ubi caritas et amore, ubi caritas Deus ibi est. Live in charity and steadfast love, live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Service of Proclamation

A reading from the Psalter (Psalm 111) Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty is God's work, and God's righteousness endures forever.

God has gained renown for wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.

God provides food for those who trust God; God is ever mindful of the sacred covenant.

God has shown great power, in giving us the heritage of the nations.

The works of God's hands are faithful and just; all God's precepts are trustworthy.

They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

God sent redemption to the people, and has commanded the covenant forever. Holy and awesome is our God.

Awe of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. God deserves praise forever.

In these human words, God's voice is heard. *Thanks be to God.*

Sung Response

Gloria, Gloria

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Please be seated.

The Anthem

em Something's Coming
By Stephen Sondheim and Leonard Bernstein
Performed By Sara Burns

Homily

Alleluia! Rev Dr Durrell Watkins, Senior Minister

Invitation to Prayer

Please rise as you are able.

Song of Response

Til the Storm Passes By

In the dark of the midnight, I have oft hid my face, while the storms howl above me, and there's no hiding place; 'Mid the crash of the thunder, precious One, hear my cry, keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.

Many times someone told me, there is no need to try, for there's no end of sorrow, there's no hope by and by. But I know God is with me, and tomorrow I'll rise where the storms never darken the skies.

'Til the storm passes over, 'til the thunder sounds no more, 'til the clouds roll forever from the sky, Hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of your hand; keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.

Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations

Sign of Peace

Light of God in Me (Tune: Woodworth ["Just As I Am"] Words: ©2012, Durrell Watkins)

Just as I am, I'm meant to be God is my life eternally And Love divine embraces me O Light of God in me...in me.

Just as I am I'm whole and free Love, hope and joy are all for me And Truth affirms my dignity O Light of God in me...in me.

Just as I am healed, prospered and blessed Grace frees me now from strife and stress and I receive Life's very best O Light of God in me...in me.

Service of Sacraments

Sacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings) Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Stewardship Thought

"If American Christians were to give from their income generously – not lavishly, mind you, only generously – they could transform the world, starting right away." Christian Smith, Michael Emerson, & Patricia Snell

Offering Prayer

Divine Love, through me, blesses and multiplies all that I have, all that I give, and all that I receive. Thank you, God. Amen.

Offering Music

Who Can I Turn To By Bricusse & Newley Performed By Phil Hinton

Rise as you are able.

Doxology

We Are An Offering

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.

God, use our voices, God, use our hands, God, use our lives, they are yours, we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering; we are an offering.

Sacrament of Hospitality

Eucharistic Intentions

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

We Remember

 Tom Bradshaw
 08/15/1994
 Dan Dowell
 08/19/1990

 Houston Anderson
 08/16/2003
 Michael Cebrat
 08/19/2002

 Bernie Striegel
 08/16/2009
 Nick Balzer
 08/20/1989

 Nesty Rosario
 08/17/1996
 Jack Huizenga
 08/21/2020

 Robert Herriman
 08/18/1994

Prayer Chorus

On Eagle's Wings

And God will raise us up on eagle's wings, bear us on the breath of dawn, make us to shine like the sun, and hold us in the palm of God's hand.

Affirmation of Faith

Deacon Michael Karban

Our hearts are set on God's loving presence. Let us affirm our trust in God.

I believe in God, the Good,

and in the message and mission of God's anointed prophet, Jesus the Wayshower

who was born of Marv.

suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was executed for empowering the powerless and restoring the dignity of the marginalized.

and yet he lives in our hearts and ministry.

I believe in the omnipresent power of divine Love, in the Blessed Community.

in the sacred value of all people, and in life without end. Amen.

Song of Response

In the Life of Omnipresence

In the life of Omnipresence do I dwell, 'tis above, around, within me, all is well; Life divine forever guiding all my ways, Life divine forever filling all my days.

Intercessions

Deacon Michael Karban

In faith we now pray:

For the Sunshine Cathedral's local congregation and global fellowship,

For those who have been entrusted to the care of our prayers,

For spiritual seekers,

For all who are distressed in mind, body, or estate,

For medical practitioners,

For first responders,

For leaders of nations.

For justice workers and peace makers.

For those who teach and those who learn.

May they be filled with loving kindness.

May they be well.

May they be peaceful and at ease.

May they be happy.

And with people all over the world we pray, May peace prevail on earth.

These prayers we offer in the name of all helpers of humanity, and in the words of Jesus, we continue to pray,

Model Prayer

Creator which art in heaven, hallowed be thy names. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And leave us not in temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Lord's Supper

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Sursum Corda

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God. Let us give thanks to God.

It is joyful to live in gratitude.

It is right, good, and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Omnipresent, everlasting, all-loving God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we give you praise and glory:

Song

Holy God. We Praise Your Name

Hark, the glad celestial hymn angel choirs around are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with joys aflame: holy, holy is your name.

Words of Remembrance

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took a piece of bread, gave thanks to God, broke it, and said, "This is my body... When you share this bread, (+) remember me."

In the same way, after the supper he took the cup and said, "This cup is God's new covenant, set in motion in my life. Drink, and (+) remember me."

Song

Eat This Bread

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Invitation to Communion

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

These are the gifts of God for all the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

Bless Us All

Bless us all who gather here The loving family I hold dear No place on Earth compares with home And every path will bring me back from where I roam

Bless us all, that as we live We always comfort and forgive We have so much that we can share With those in need we see around us everywhere

Let us always love each other Lead us to the light Let us hear the voice of reason Singing in the night Let us run from anger And catch us when we fall Teach us in our dreams And please, yes please bless us one and all Bless us all with playful years With noisy games and joyful tears We reach for you and we stand tall And in our prayers and dreams we ask you Bless us all We reach for you and we stand tall And in our prayers and dreams we ask you Bless us all.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev Kevin Tisdol

Please rise as you are able.

The Prayer of Protection

The light of God surrounds us; the love of God enfolds us. The power of God protects us; the presence of God watches over us. Wherever we are, God is.

Benediction

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Final Song

Higher Love

Commissioning

One: Our worship has ended. Let our service begin! All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Ms Barbara Ramcharitar

SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

Please hold these in the power of loving prayer:

Centering Thought:

"...God endowed [humankind] with the power to pray so that through it [we] may find relief from all [our] difficulties and ailments." Rabbi Morris Lichtenstein

We pray for the following ~ Sadie & Sloan; Lenni; Jere; JFB's mom (of blessed memory); Champion (of blessed memory); Pat A.; Will & Maureen; William; Matt; John; Marty; Shelby & Greg; Elba; Greg; Rob; Dan; Karen's mom; Barbara S.; Terri Z.; Carolyn R.; Jackie & Margaret; Marshal & Kevin; Sandy; Herb; Warren: Melodye: Genevieve: Anne: Ruthy: Angela: Connie; Dick B.; Louise; Robbie B.; Britney; Justin; Kelley & Kaye; DonnaChristine; Walt; Nancy; Marsha S-P; Elijah; AGW; MLF; Mama Sarah; Anon.; Josh (of blessed memory); Jim A.; Anna; Marylin Debra; Roy; Blannie A.; Dianne B.; Janice; Lee M.; Tyler; Michael; Kyra's brother; Mr. McCarrick; Tom S.; John; Maria; Anna; Stephen; Leslie; Ralph; Kelli M.; Milton; Justin; Allie (of blessed memory); Kat; Beth; Mary B.; Lynne & family; Lynda P.; Billy; Karyn C.; Luanne; Terri; Anon.; David; Christine; Victor; Michelle; Robert B.; Christina H.; Lee B.; John O.; JW; Suzanne G.; Gary M. (of blessed memory); Mrs. H. (of blessed memory); Philip; KK: James: John: Frieda: Andrea: Chris M.: Scott O.: Shaundra S.; Leeanna B.; Merrily B.; JL; Thomas B.; Michelle; Lewis Family; Jimmy C.; James P.; Joey P.; Elo C.; Deborah; Lauren; Amy; Shawna; all who have been burdened by the pandemic; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; Troy P.; Global Justice Institute; DSFI; the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral; those who meet for any reason at Sunshine Cathedral Square; members & friends of Sunshine Cathedral; all who are part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship

LET US PRAY - We believe in one Presence and one Power, It is all Love and from It all good comes. We also believe in miracles, the ability at any moment to shift our focus from fear to love, from pain to peace, from aggravation to jubilation. Centered and poised in the light of God, we now bless every person on our prayer list. We see each one as a child of God, forever loved. We call forth miracles and we give thanks for them. Amen.

REMEMBER:

Prayers can be submitted via Sunshine Cathedral.org or by emailing any SC clergyperson.

You can hear a prayer at anytime by calling 954.462.2004 (press 6).

SunBurst News

MASKS FOR WORSHIP – For the time being, we are asking people to wear masks again at Sunshine Cathedral. We hope everyone is vaccinated, but with variant strains of the virus and some people having other conditions that place them at risk, we think this added precaution is wise. We'll relax the mask request as soon as we feel it is safe to do so.

COFFEE - Our social time after services has returned to the Social Hall. Just coffee, no food and no sitting, but plenty of coffee and air conditioning, so stop by for a cup of coffee and conversation.

GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP - If you don't live in the Fort Lauderdale area but are finding Sunshine Cathedral to be a primary source of spiritual enrichment in your life, we invite you to consider joining the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship. You can learn about how you can become part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship by visiting SunshineCathedral.org

THANKSGIVING HARVEST CAMPAIGN - Sunshine Cathedral's annual Thanksgiving Harvest Campaign begins Aug 15 and will last until November 21. We ask that you give \$99 above and beyond your regular financial gifts to the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral and to make that easy, we simply put aside one dollar per day for 99 days. Fill out a Harvest Campaign card. You can dedicate your gifts in the name of something or someone for which you are grateful. Thank you for your generous support.

BACK TO SCHOOL – In July and August we are invited to donate backpacks filled with school supplies to give to children returning to school in the Fall. This program is being offered in partnership with SunServe. Thank you for helping children prepare for a new year of learning and growing. For more information, please contact Rev. Dr. Robert Griffin (robert@sunshinecathedral.org).

CHRISTIANS & COCKTAILS - Join us on Mondays for Christians & Cocktails (6 pm EASTERN, Facebook) where a panel of lay and clergy leaders discuss religious questions asked by viewers. No question is off limits.

MIDDAY PRAYER - Pray with us daily at Noon EASTERN on Facebook. Staff clergy rotate Monday – Saturday to lead us in prayer.

THE HOLY LAND - Join us for a once in a lifetime group trip to Israel. Experience the rich diversity of this amazing country, from historic sights of Jerusalem to the vibrant Mediterranean city of Tel Aviv with a group of like-minded travelers. May 21 - 28, 2022 #OUTstanding Travel For more information email Pkcordell@gmail.com

SUMMER CLUB - The Summer Club is our effort to keep the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral fully funded through the summer. In the summer months we ask that give one extra gift in addition to your regular offering. We raised \$7,816.01 in June and July for the Summer Club. It isn't too late to make a Summer Club gift. We thank the following Summer Club supporters:

Summer Club Goal: \$15K raised \$7,991.01

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GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP TRAVEL PROGRAM: Italy - Sunshine Cathedral's Global Fellowship program is going on its first trip where global/online friends, partners and members along with local congregants can meet in person for a fun trip to Italy. This first class trip includes 4-star hotels in Rome and Tuscany, breakfast and dinner daily, and trip insurance all for about \$1800 (\$1 deposit and \$99 monthly installments). Join more than 60 global fellow congregants already scheduled to join us. Space is limited. https://happeningout.travel/sunshine

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THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE IN JULY & AUGUST TO SUPPORT OUT BROADCAST MINISTRY—We raised \$8,066.00 (and donations will still be accepted).

Live Broadcast Goal: \$15K raised 8,066.00

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SAINTS OF THE WEEK

August 15: St. Mary — Mother of Jesus. As a young Jewish girl, Mary gave birth to Jesus. She followed her son in his ministry right to the cross, and was active in the early church.

August 20: St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090 – 1153) – Bernard was a French abbot who wrote homoerotic poetry about Jesus and had a passionate relationship with Irish archbishop Malachy of Armagh. The two were buried together.

August 21: Georgia Harkness (1891-1974) — Theologian and social critic. Harkness was the first woman to teach in a mainline Protestant seminary in the USA. She was a theologian, pacifist and Christian socialist. She demanded economic justice for all people, opposed racism, and supported ordination for women.

Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Financial Data Snapshot from 8 August

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$10,797.56 Generosity Income Received \$6,563.28 Our Abundance and/or (Need) (\$4,234.28) Per Capita Giving \$23.96

Worship Services 161
Online Virtual Resourcing 106,649
Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached 523

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Bereavement Support Group

Each of us mourns the death of a loved one differently.

Many find comfort in sharing the pain, anger, depression and other emotions they feel following a loss.

For group schedule and information please contact Rev Dr Anne Atwell Anne@SunshineCathedral.net

Sunshine Cathedral Online Schedule

Sunday Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live Sunshine Cathedral YouTube Live 10:30AM/ET - Sunday Worship

Monday - Saturday: Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live Noon/ET - Midday Prayers

Monday Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live 6PM/ET - 6:30PM/ET - Christians & Cocktails

Monthly Collection Programs

1st Sunday - Loaves & Fishes: Food Collection

3rd Sunday - Clothing Collection (For BG Hospital & Homeless)

Due to limited storage space, please bring items on designated Sundays only.

Note:

Sunshine Cathedral is not liable for any vehicle incident, including acts of nature, while attending any events.

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