# Welcome Home To Your . . .



Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

Fire Washed

Baptism of Jesus Sunday

Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 2022

# Service of Gathering

#### Welcome

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins & Rev Dr Robert Griffin

**Announcements** 

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Please rise as you are able.

Introit

I Love Myself the Way I Am

I love myself the way I am, there's nothing I need to change. I'll always be the perfect me, there's nothing to rearrange. I'm beautiful and capable of being the best me I can; and I love myself just the way I am.

I love you, the way you are, there's nothing you need to do. When I feel the love inside, it's easy to love you. Behind your fears, your rage and tears, I see your shining star, and I love you just the way you are.

I love the world the way it is, 'cause I can clearly see that all the things I judge are done by people just like me. So 'til the birth of peace on earth that only love can bring, I'll help it grow by loving everything.

I love myself the way I am. and still I want to grow, but change outside can only come when deep inside I know: I'm beautiful and capable of being the best me I can; and I love myself just the way I am.

#### **Sunshine Cathedral 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**

Rejoice, You Pure in Heart

Rejoice, you pure in heart; lift praises to the sky. Your festal banner wave with joy, the name of Christ raise high! Rejoice (rejoice), rejoice (rejoice), rejoice give thanks and sina.

Bright youth and seasoned age, strong souls and spirits meek, raise high your free, exulting song, God's wondrous

Rejoice (rejoice), rejoice (rejoice), rejoice give thanks and sing.

With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise. send for the hymns the saints have loved, the psalms of ancient days.

Rejoice (rejoice), rejoice (rejoice), rejoice give thanks and sing.

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as you go, from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe: Rejoice (rejoice), rejoice (rejoice), rejoice give thanks and sing.

Praise God who rules all worlds, the risen Christ adore, praise God the Spirit, holy Fire, All Love forever more! Rejoice (rejoice), rejoice (rejoice), rejoice give thanks and sina.

#### **Opening Prayer**

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

One: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy names.

#### **Sung Response**

Amen, Amen, Amen,

Please be seated.

# Service of Proclamation

#### The Wisdom of Nona Brooks Rev Marian Cavagnaro

"God formed the universe out of [God's] own substance...all that is...is Spirit; for, since Omnipresence is... there can be but one substance, and that substance must be the substance that is omnipresent, the God-substance."

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

# The Wisdom of Christina Knox-Walthall

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

"There is only one presence and power in the entire universe...God, the Good, omnipotent. God created all space, the same God of love who made our planet made all planets and stars. The same God created all [people] in [the divine] image and likeness...All of space is filled with the same loving and protecting Spirit of God. Let us trust this loving Spirit within all [people]. Let us know that it is everywhere present."

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

Please rise as you are able.

# A Reading from the Gospel of Luke (3.15-17, 21-22) Rev Dr Anne Atwell

As the people began to experience a feeling of expectancy, they all wondered in their hearts whether John might be the Messiah. John answered, telling them all: "I baptize you with water, but there is one coming who is more powerful than I am. I am not worthy to loosen the straps of his sandals. He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

After John had baptized all the people, and while Jesus was engaged in prayer after also having been baptized, heaven opened and the holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my beloved One; in you I am well pleased."

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

#### Song of Response

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! Still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The bible tells me so.

Please be seated.

The Anthem

Beautiful
By Carole King
Performed By Aaron Ball

Homily

Fire Washed
Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

**Invitation to Prayer** 

Please rise as you are able.

**Prayer Chorus** 

The Prayer of Faith

God is my help in every need. God does my every hunger feed.

God walks beside me, guides my way through every moment of the day.

I now am wise; I am now am true, patient, kind, and loving, too.

All things I am, can do, and be, through Christ the Truth that is in me.

**Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations** 

#### Sign of Peace

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 our creator, family 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 in peace eternally, let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

### **Service of Sacraments**

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

#### **Stewardship Thought**

"When we give without fear, we are not concerned about limiting ourselves, because we know with an inward knowing that God's supply is inexhaustible."

F. Bernadette Turner

#### **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** 

Cantabile
By Paganini
Performed By Laura Gonzalez

Rise as you are able.

#### Doxology

Old Hundreth

Praise God the Good we all may share; praise God the Beauty everywhere.

Praise God the Hope of Good to be; praise God the Truth that makes us free. Amen.

# **Sacrament of Hospitality Eucharistic Intentions**

Rev Kurt Krieger

#### We Remember

Dru Drake	01/09/1994	Joe Mitchell	01/12/1994
Gordon Fette	01/10/2016	Mark Eagar	01/15/1992
Robert Israel	01/11/1988	Mark Purviance	01/15/1996
Marguerite Youngblood	01/11/1989	Ron Nicholson	01/15/1996
Michael Krysiak	01/11/1992	Joe Esposito	01/15/1999
B.J. Feichtner	01/12/1989	Sharon McCracken	01/15/1999

#### Rainbow Candle Lit Today

In Memory and Honor of all Sunshine Cathedral Members and Friends Affected or Infected by COVID-19

by
The Sunshine Cathedral Staff

Be still and know that I Am God. Be still and know that I Am God. Be still and know that I Am God.

#### Intercessions

Rev Kurt Krieger

One: For the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship and local congregation, for all who are on our prayer list, for our loved ones, for world and community leaders, and for our own needs, let us pray:

Prayer of Divine Mercy

Loving Creator, we remember the wisdom and love, Peace and integrity of your blessed anointed one – our Lord Jesus Christ

Who taught of your love for us and also the whole world

For the sake of your infinite goodness please smile upon us and on the whole world.

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Holy God, holy mighty One, holy immortal One Give blessings to us and to the whole world.

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One: And with people all over the world we pray – *All: May peace prevail on earth.* 

These prayers we offer in the spirit of Jesus, son of Mary, and as he did 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

#### **Words of Remembrance**

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

One: On the night of his arrest Jesus shared a meal with his friends and family of choice. After supper, he took a piece of bread, broke it, and offered it to those at table. Sharing together made them one body. Jesus said, "When you do this, (+)remember me."

One: He then took a cup of wine and shared it with the others. Sharing reminded them that they were bound together in a covenant of love. Jesus again said, "When you do this, (+)remember me."

### Chorus

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

#### **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**

In the light of Omnipresence do I dwell, 'tis above, around, within me. all is well:

Life divine forever guiding al my ways, Life divine forever filling all my days.

In the love of Omnipresence do I rest, feel it filling, thrilling through me, blessed Guest!

Love divine all discord soothing into peace, Love divine in whose sweet presence pain doth cease.

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

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** 

Love Train

### Commissioning

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

**Postlude** 

Barbara Ramcharitar

# Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

#### Financial Data Snapshot from 2 January

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$11,819.81 Generosity Income Received \$9,203.32 Our Abundance and/or (Need) (\$2,616.49) Per Capita Giving \$34.00

Worship Services 247
Online Virtual Resourcing 176,538
Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached
Detailed information located at
SunshineCathedral.org

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#### SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

#### **Centering Thought**

"Within us is the Spirit of God that can be depended upon to guide us safely into ways of happy and successful living." Martha Smock

# LET US PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ON OUR PRAYER LIST AND FOR ALL WHO ARE ON OUR HEARTS:

Jackie DLS (of blessed memory); Lewis family; Anita; Sarah; Dale; MLF; Pat, Sherry; Cody; Steve; "Self"; Jamie; tornado survivors; Leslie & Diane; Tara & Sam; Sadie & Sloan; Mari Ann; Julie C.; TS; Laurie; Maureen; Barbara; Stephen; Kathy; Craig; Nancy; Lynne; Carolyn; Rev. Kathy; Mary; Michael & Pam; Danny; Jim & Susan; Greta P.; Ken (of blessed memory); James; Pete & family; Corrine's mom; DW; Dani & Andrew; Esther & William; Shelly; Ben; Clifford (of blessed memory) and his grandmother; Carolyn; Richie & Raul; Tashell D.; baby to be born; Bob; Bill; Mama Tullo; Orion; Elijah M.; Colin F. (of blessed memory); Marc; Jennings & Joey; Michelle; Victor; Ashley; Carolyn; Karim; Gary; Sally; M. Krause; GH; Marco; Ken B.; Shawna; all who have been burdened by the pandemic; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; Troy & Phillip; Don; Global Justice Institute; DSFI; the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral; members & friends of Sunshine Cathedral; all who are part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship

#### ~Prayer~

Thank you, God in me, dwelling within every life, for grace equal to every need. Every person I hold in prayer is held all the more in your love. Let your light guide us all in paths of joy, peace, hope, vitality, and abundance. I know that blessings abound. I expect miracles. Alleluia. 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 IN WORSHIP** - are highly recommended at this time.

MISS RICHFIELD 1981 - On Saturday, January 15 at 8 pm, Outlandish at the Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts presents Miss Richfield 1981 in her all new-show, "40 Years on the Throne" — tickets are available at our website Sunshine Cathedral.org.

ANNUAL MEETING - Annual Congregational Meeting (Noon) on January 16. Join us for a report of the organizational health of Sunshine Cathedral. Everyone is welcome. All members are encouraged to attend. Remote (Zoom) attendance will also be available. Request zoom link by emailing Rev Dr Robert Griffin at Robert@SunShineCathedral.net. There is exciting news and faithfilled plans, so please be part of this important annual discussion.

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE** - January 22 for Jackie de Los Santos (3 pm)

**FOLLOW US** - We invite you to Follow Sunshine Cathedral on Facebook and subscribe to our YouTube channel. We are also on Tik Tok and Instagram. If our ministry has been a blessing to you, please tell others about the Sunshine Cathedral.

**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

SUNSHINE CATHEDRAL GOES TO ITALY! - Hosted By Rev Dr. Durrell Watkins & Rev Dr. Robert Griffin. Think of this as a land CRUISE! April 19 - May 3, 2022 (Post Easter). 15 Days from just \$1799 (plus taxes and fees). Have you dreamed of living 'Under The Tuscan Sun'? To Be On the LGBTQ + trip exploring Rome, the Vatican, and the best of the medieval villages of Europe? In a relaxed way? That includes most of your meals? Well it's arrived... Sunshine Cathedrals ITALY HUB & SPOKE will be one of the greatest travel experiences of your life. For more information, visit https://happeningout.travel/sunshine/ro

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**TODAY'S CONTEMPORARY READINGS** — Our first reading today is from Nona Brooks. Our senior minister has mentioned Nona many times in sermons. She was a pioneer of the Divine Science movement and the titular leader of the movement for many years. A Presbyterian school teacher who suffered from health and financial problems, after a year of praying, "Give me light," she

had a mystical experience whereby she experienced an all-consuming light. She recognized the light to be a sign of God's omnipresence and her life dramatically improved.

Our second reading today was written by Christina Knox-Walthall. Christina was an assistant minister at Christ Universal Temple in Chicago, which was founded by, as was the Universal Foundation for Better Living, Rev. Johnnie Colemon.

#### SAINTS OF THE WEEK

January 13: George Fox (1624 -1691) - Founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers). Fox taught that Christians should live simply, not swear any oaths, not make distinctions of social class, and to oppose war and violence. He opposed ordination of clergy or the use of formal forms of worship.

The measure of a person's faith was not in theology or even the Bible, but in their own personal spiritual experience. His followers became known as Quakers, a group which represented the left wing of Puritanism that believed in a divine, Inward Light ("that of God" in every person).

January 14: George Berkeley (1685 – 1753) - an Irish philosopher and Anglican bishop. He believed that God is spiritual substance, and everything that is must be made of the same spiritual substance. He wrote, "What [humans] thought to be substance is actually an idea in the mind of God."



Outlandish at Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts presents

Miss Richfield 1981 in her all-new show, "40 Years on the Throne".

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 2022 AT 8:00 PM Tickets Available at SunshineCathedral.org

Outlandish at Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts presents

### **VARLA JEAN MERMAN'S LITTLE PRICK**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2022 8:00 PM Tickets Available at SunshineCathedral.org





Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing
Arts Presents In Concert

# Joana Gonzalez

Saturday, February 26, 2022 7:00 PM Tickets at SunshineCathedral.org



Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing
Arts Presents

Laith Ashley Activist, Singer-Songwriter and Entertainer

Saturday, March 26, 2022 8:00 PM Tickets at SunshineCathedral.org



## 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 & Housing Insecure Individuals)

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

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