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Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

From Colt to Cross

Palm Sunday - April 10th 2022

Service of Gathering

Welcome

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins, Senior Minister Rev Dr Robert Griffin. Executive Minister

Announcements

Rev Dr Anne Atwell, Minister of Connections

Please rise as you are able.

Introit

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you. (2x)

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

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

"Hosanna, loud hosanna," the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang; To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed amid a cheering crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The one whom angels worship rode on in lowly state, and glad to see the children, slowed down the donkey's gait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song is ours, We hail our great Redeemer and sing with all our powers; "Hosanna, Christ, we praise you with heart and life and voice. Hosanna! In your presence forever we'll rejoice!"



Lenten Confession

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

One: May we be forgiven for forgetting our divine nature.

All: May we be forgiven for failing to see the sacred value of all people.

One: May we be healed of judging ourselves, and others, too harshly.

All: May we forgive ourselves for not trusting in the a solute goodness and unconditional love of God.

One: May we forgive ourselves and others of all mistakes, real or imagined, since God has always and only seen the truth of our endless goodness.

All: May we now let our light shine and live as the children of God that we are. Amen.

Sung Response

No Day But Today

There's only us, there's only this.
Forget regret, or life is yours to miss.
No other road, no other way, no day but today.
I can't control my destiny.
I trust my soul, my only goal is just to be.
There's only now, there's only here.
Give into love, or live in fear.
No other road, no other way, no day but today.
No day but today.

Please be seated.

Service of Proclamation

A reading from the Fourth Gospel (John 12.12-15)

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Rev Lynda Pantoja - 10:30AM Es español

A great crowd in Jerusalem heard that Jesus was coming there. These were the people who had come to the Passover Feast. They took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Jesus. [Quoting the Psalter], they shouted,

"Praise God! God bless the One who comes in the name of the Lord! God bless the King of Israel!"

Jesus found a colt and sat on it. This was as [Zechariah said], "Don't be afraid, people of Jerusalem! Your king is coming. He is sitting on the colt of a donkey."

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

Please rise as you are able.

A reading from the Fourth Gospel (John 19.16b-22)

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Rev Lynda Pantoja - 10:30AM Es español

Pilate gave Jesus to them to be killed on a cross. The soldiers took charge of Jesus. Carrying his own cross, Jesus went out to a place called The Place of the Skull (in the Jewish language this place is called Golgotha). There they nailed Jesus to the cross. They also put two other men on crosses, one on each side of Jesus with Jesus in the middle. Pilate wrote a sign and put it on the cross. It read: "JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS." The sign was written in [Hebrew], in Latin, and in Greek. Many

of the Jews read the sign, because this place where Jesus was killed was near the city. The leading Jewish priests said to Pilate, "Don't write, 'The King...' But write, 'This man claimed to be a king.'"

Pilate answered, "What I have written, I have written!"

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

Song of Response

For Everyone Born

For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free, and God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

Please be seated.

The Anthem

By Michael Maybrick and Frederick E. Weatherly
Performed by Tara Sperry

Homily From Colt to Cross
Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Invitation to Prayer Please rise as you are able.

Prayer ChorusYour Grace and Mercy
Your grace and mercy brought me through,
I'm living this moment because of you:

I want to thank you, and praise you too: your grace and mercy brought me through.

Your grace and mercy brought me through, I'm living this moment because of you; I want to thank you, and praise you too: your grace and mercy, your grace and mercy, your grace and mercy brought me through.

Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations

Sign of Peace

Lean on Me

Some times in our lives we all have pain, we all have sorrow. But if we are wise we know that there's always tomorrow. Lean on me when you're not strong - and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on; for it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on.

Please swallow your pride if I have things you need to borrow. But no one can fill those of your needs that you won't let show. Lean on me when you're not strong - and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on; for it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on.

Just call on me dearest when you need a hand. We all need somebody to lean on. I just might have a problem that you'd understand. We all need somebody to lean on.

If there is a load you have to bear that you can't carry, I'm right up the road, I'll share your load if you just call me. Lean on me when you're not strong - and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on; for it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need somebody to lean on.

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

Stewardship Thought

"Of all the varieties of virtue, generosity is the most beloved." Aristotle

Offering Praver

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

Hosanna
By Mark Gersmehl
Performed By Sara Burns

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 - 9:00AM Rev Lynda Pantoja - 10:30 AM

We Remember

 Chuck Lyons
 04/10/1990
 Real Coté
 04/14/1990

 Tom Martin
 04/10/1995
 Don Shaw
 04/14/1994

 Sandy Bell
 04/11/1992
 Alberto Estrella
 04/16/1995

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

Chorus - May we be filled with loving kindness. May we be well. May we be filled with loving kindness. May we be well. May we be peaceful and at ease. May we be whole.

Intercessions Rev Marian Cavagnaro - 9:00AM Rev Lynda Pantoja - 10:30 AM

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:

All: We ask for divine blessings. We believe that miracles are possible. We give thanks for grace equal to every need.

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

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins & Rev Marian Cavagnaro

One: Referring to the Christian Mass, Thich Nhat Hanh said: "This piece of bread is the body of the whole cosmos. Look deeply and you notice the sunshine in the bread, the blue sky in the bread, the cloud and the great earth in the bread...What is not in a piece of bread? The whole cosmos has come together in order to bring to you this piece of bread. Eat it in such a way that you come alive, truly alive."

One: The Apostle Paul wrote, "Is not the cup of blessing that we bless a participation in the life of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one loaf."

All: In remembrance of Jesus (+), we share cup and loaf, grape and grain, and we affirm Christ in us, the hope of glory.

Chorus

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy names. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life. Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy names. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Invitation to Communion

Rev Kevin Tisdol

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

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

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.

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

This is Me

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 3 April

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$11,819.81 Generosity Income Received \$10,580.59 Our Abundance and/or (Need) (\$1,239.22) Per Capita Giving \$24.73

Worship Services 306
Online Virtual Resourcing 107,541
Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached 610
Detailed information located at
SunshineCathedral.org

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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

PRAYER LIST

Eileen W.; Richard; Verna; Juliet; Moira G.; Benny & Connie; Alex & Greg (of blessed memory); Christine J. (of blessed memory); Lois A.; Robert; Dean B.; Julie; Kevin & Bob; Laszlo & family; Leslie & Dianne; Ken B.; Milan and Leo; Sasha and Natasha (of blessed memory); Lois & Christine; Val; Rafael; M. Mazella; Olivia L.; Kenny S.; Ivani; Jack; Kimberly; Kevin & Kelli; Michael; Alex; Diane; Martin D.; Teresa; Trinity; Anita; Darryl; Caroline (of blessed memory); Penny; Jonny; Michael & Pam; Donna F.; Elo; Maralee; Mary E.; Cathi C.; Carolyn R.; Frank R.; Josh S.; Guillermo; Kevin; Cindy; Courtney; Elaine; Richard R.; Karen W.; Karla; a bereaved family; Casper; Millie; Carter; Rhonda; Nicole; Rebecca; Elaine; Courtney; Jamie; David; J. Dyer; Brenda I.; Angie A.; Victor V.; Gabriel P.; Gloria I. Samuel P.; David & Andrew; Virginia; Penny & Jonny; Paul; Momma Sarah; a friend; Naomi; Mark; David; Paul (of blessed memory); Donna; Mama Tullo; Gabby; Ben H.; Mama Dolores; Fay; Don; Cindy; Charlotte; Susan D.; Sadie; Donna C.; Judy L.; RS; Mark; Crystal (of blessed memory); DonnaChristine; Karen & Theodore (of blessed memory); Jackie; Kim; Diane; Danny & Roger; Thomas S.; CJ; Michael & Shawna; Jenny R; Lewis family; Sharon B.; Cody; Lexi; Jaycee; Mario; The people of Ukraine; Troy & Phillip; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; 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

"God of the earth and the sky and the sea and the human soul, we thank [you] for...the refreshment of life and the incoming tide of the spirit and the harvest of our hopes and our deeds. Kindle ever new hope in our hearts. Give us courage and kindness and dreams and resolution and achievement. We pray that we may minimize our weakness and magnify our strength and do justly and love mercy and [live] humbly with [you]. We pray for greater understanding among all people, beginning with us. We pray for patience and perseverance and faith and love. Amen."

Dana McLean Greeley

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

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

SunBurst Cathedral News

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday

9 am & 10:30 am (LIve Stream)

Maundy Thursday (Online only)
Special Service at 7 pm (Live Stream)

Good Friday

Special Musical Event at 7 pm (Live Stream)

Easter Sunday

9 am & 10:30 am (Live Stream)

EASTER LILIES - are what we call special donors who give above and beyond their regular donations to make Easter extra special. Gifts are given in memory or in honor of loved ones whose names will be included in the Easter bulletin. If you'd like to be a 2022 Easter Lily, envelopes are available in the Worship Center. You can also become an Easter Lily at sunshinecathedral.org

WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK STUDY IN LENT – Just 1 more Wednesday left (April 13), 6 pm on the Sunshine Cathedral Facebookpage (facebook.com/sunshinecathedral). The study is led by best-selling author, Rev. Barbara Essex.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE - We ask the Sunshine Cathedral community to bring non-perishable food donations for the Food Sharing Ministry on Sundays in Lent to help replenish our food pantry. Please see any Loaves and Fishes team member for a list of suggested items.

WELLNESS - At Sunshine Cathedral Square, you can receive Covid testing 7 days per week, STI testing twice per month (1st & 3rd Tuesdays 5 pm - 8 pm courtesy of Broward House), food assistance on Wednesdays (until about 1 pm), and grief support twice a month (contact Rev. Dr. Anne Atwell about the grief support group). Condoms are available in our restrooms, vaccinations are encouraged and hand sanitizer can be found at the doorways of the Worship Center.

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

SAGE – Friendly Visitor Program for LGBTQ seniors at Sunshine Cathedral - the program has been under development and now has a coordinator: Mitchell Zahn. Mitchell has over 35 years of experience with community-based organizations and government agencies, including work with older adults and people living with HIV. He also has had volunteer management

experience, and has done a bunch of volunteering himself. More information about this exciting new program will be coming soon.

OUR SUNDAY BROADCAST is made possible by Happening Out Television Network and donors who support our televised ministry. Happening Out is housed at Sunshine Cathedral Square. Happening Out programming can be viewed on YouTube, Facebook, Amazon Fire, Apple TV, Google TV, and Roku.

CONTEMPORARY READING – There is no contemporary reading for this week's worship service. Both readings are from the Fourth Gospel.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

April 10: Kahlil Gibran (1883 – 1931) - was born in Ottoman Syria (now Lebanon) and was the grandson of a Maronite Catholic priest. The Gibran family moved from the Middle East to Boston (USA) where he flourished as a poet, artist, and philosopher. He later studied in Paris and lived in NYC where he wrote and painted. His most famous work is The Prophet. His writings were very popular in the counter-cultural movement of the 1960s. Here are some of his inspiring words: "All that spirits desire, spirits attain", "An eye for an eye, and the whole world would be blind", "Beauty is eternity gazing at itself in a mirror", "Faith is a knowledge within the heart, beyond the reach of proof", and "I existed from all eternity and, behold, I am here; and I shall exist till the end of time, for my being has no end."

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955)—Mystic and scientist. A French Jesuit priest, Teilhard was both one of the most creative theological minds of the 20th century and an imminent scientist. He did extensive work in geology and paleontology in China, helping to discover the remains of "Peking Man." He sought to develop a synthesis of science and religion, integrating the theory of evolution with a cosmic vision of Christ at the heart of the cosmos. His writings, seminal to the development of Process Theology, were suppressed by the Vatican during his lifetime.

Howard Washington Thurman (1899 – 1981) American author, theologian, and civil rights leader. He embraced a theology of radical non-violence. Thurman was a leading figure in 20th century social justice movements. He was a mentor to civil rights leaders, including Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Of his many books, Jesus and the Disinherited may be the most beloved. Thurman was Dean of Rankin Chapel (Howard University) for 12 years and then Dean of Marsh Chapel (Boston University) for another dozen years. Thurman co-founded, along with Alfred Fisk, the first major interracial, interdenominational church in the United States. Ebony Magazine called Thurman one of the 50 most important figures in African American history, and Life Magazine called him one of the 12 most important religious leaders in the U.S.

April 12: William Dorsey Swann - born into slavery, Swan became the first American to lead a queer resistance group and the first to self-identify as a "queen of drag." He fought back against police who raided a drag ball in 1888 almost a century before the Stonewall uprising. The event is considered one of the first examples of physical resistance for LGBTQ rights. Swann also made history in 1896 when he requested a pardon from President Grover Cleveland for holding a drag ball. The request was denied, but it was an historic attempt to take legal action to defend the LGBTQ community.

April 13: Frederick Bailes (1889-1970) - Was a medical student from New Zealand. He had to drop out of medical school because he was diagnosed with diabetes (at the time considered to be untreatable). He found the writings of Thomas Troward and with the help of spiritual principles, found himself cured of his diabetes. He returned to medical school. He found that encouraging his patients made a noticeable difference in their recovery. He went on to become a Religious Science minister and writer. His books include Your Mind Can Heal You and Hidden Power for Human Problems. He wrote, "Our world will change as our ideas concerning ourselves change. So never be afraid to think highly of your value."

Ruth Hammink Carr (1909 – 2008) – raised in Unity, Ruth was ordained a Divine Science minister and served as the Assistant minister of the Divine Science Church of Birmingham, MI. She lived a few days past her 99th birthday and was active in her church until the end.

April 14: Origen (185-254) - a theologian in the early church. He taught universal salvation (no one is ultimately rejected by God). He believed that any idea of eternal damnation was unworthy of a good God, the God Jesus knew and shared. He thought only an insane deity would punish someone for all eternity, and he did not believe God to be insane. He allowed for biblical literalism for those "at that level" of understanding, but encouraged people to seek "higher" understandings of scripture.

April 15: Sallye Taylor (1940 – 2015) – Unity minister (ordained 1979) and renown bible teacher.

Sunshine Cathedral Upcoming Events

May

Sunday, 1 May
Concert: Broward Women Choral Group

Saturday, 7 May
Mural Dedication – 10:00AM Worship Center/Courtyard

Sunday, 11 May Concert: Florida Singing Sons

Saturday, 14 May Church Parking Lot Fundraiser

June

Summer Club Kickoff

Friday, 10 June
Performance - Betti & Bruce:
Trapped in Fort Lauderdale

Sunday, 26 June
Concert: In Association with Renegade Music presents
An Evening of Bel Canto
(Members of the Boston Orchestra)

July Live Broadcast Drive

August

Sunday, 14 August
Dollar A Day Campaign begins

October

Saturday, 1 October
SC Foundation Capital Campaign Update Reception

Saturday, 15 October Concert: Tom Goss

Saturday, 22 October
Performance: Judy Gold (PENDING)

Friday, 28 October Concert: Synergy Twins

28 – 29 October Sunshine Cathedral Conference: Lumination 3D Online Virtual Conference

Sunshine Cathedral Programming

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