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Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

Sent by Jesus, Empowered by Spirit

Easter 2 - Sunday, April 24th 2022

Service of Gathering

Welcome & Announcements Rev Marian Cavagnaro

Please rise as you are able.

Introit

Laudate Dominum

Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum omnes gentes, alleluia!

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Sing, praise and bless the Lord. Sing, praise and bless the Lord, peoples! Nations! Alleluia!

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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 Spirit of God, Descend upon my Heart

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are, and make me love thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, No angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.

Have you not bid us love you every way? All, all your own; soul, heart, and strength, and mind; I see your cross - there teach my heart to stay: O let me seek you, and O let me find.

Teach me to feel that you are always nigh; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear, To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love you as your angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame; The baptism of the heaven-descended dove, my heart an altar, and your love the flame.

Eastertide Litany

(by Sara Moores Campbell)

Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

One: In the tomb of the soul, we carry secret yearnings, pains, frustrations, loneliness, fears, regrets, worries.

All: In the tomb of the soul, we take refuge from the world and its heaviness.

One: In the tomb of the soul, we wrap ourselves in the security of darkness.

All: Sometimes this is a comfort. Sometimes it is an escape.

One: Sometimes it prepares us for experience. Sometimes it insulates us from life.

All: Sometimes this tomb-life gives us time to feel the pain of the world and reach out to heal others. Sometimes it numbs us and locks us up with our own concerns.

One: In this season where light and dark balance the day, we seek balance for ourselves.

All: Grateful for the darkness that has nourished us, we push away the stone and invite the light to awaken us to the possibilities within us and among us – possibilities for new life in ourselves and in our world.

Sung Response Now the Green Blade Rises Now the green blade rises from the buried grain; wheat that in dark earth for many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again like wheat that rises green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Christ's warm touch can call us back to life again, fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: Love is come again like wheat that rises green.

Please be seated.

Service of Proclamation

The Wisdom of Thomas Cathcart Rev Marian Cavagnaro

"Not only does one's relationship with the Spirit not rely on doctrine, but the creed writers had difficulty even making it into doctrine...[The Christian path that is relationship with what Christians call the holy Spirit] is one path in which the use of existentialist language, the language of subjective human experience rather than doctrine, feels totally natural."

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 20.19-22) Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As I was sent, so I send you."

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit.

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

Song of 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.

The Anthem Psalm 42

Performed By Gabe Salazar

Homily Sent by Jesus, Empowered by Spirit
Rev Marian Cavagnaro

Invitation to Prayer Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus Faith of the Heart

It's been a long road, getting from there to here.

It's been a long road, getting from there to here. It's been a long time, but my time is finally here.

And I will see my dream come alive at last. I will touch the sky. And they're not gonna hold me down no more, no they're not gonna hold me down.

'coz I've got faith of the heart.
I'm going where my heart will take me.
I've got faith to believe I can do anything.

I've got strength of the soul, and no one's gonna bend or break me.

I can reach any star. I've got faith. I've got faith, faith of the heart.

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 SacramentsSacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings)

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

Stewardship Thought

"Giving first to God is an act of stewardship and an expression of faith." Chris Deets

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 Foot Prints in the Sand
By Per Magnusson, David Krueger, Richard Page,
& Simon Cowell
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 Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

We Remember

 Carolyn Grace King
 04/24/2006
 Barbara Gillenwater
 04/27/2006

 Ken Sasser
 04/24/2017
 Phil Cappetta
 04/28/1990

 Andree Fortin
 04/25/2004
 Randy Sellmann
 04/30/1998

 Alex Ramos-Vargas
 04/26/1990
 William Smith
 04/30/1998

 Pauline Richardson
 04/26/1998
 Frank Troina
 04/30/2005

 Griff Pitts
 04/27/2003
 O4/27/2003
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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

Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

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 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

Taize Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, 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

There's a Call Comes Ringing

Let us pray that grace may everywhere abound; Send the light! Send the light!

And a Christ-like spirit everywhere be found, send the light! Send the light!

Send the light!

The blessed gospel light; let it shine from shore to shore!

Send the light!

The blessed gospel light; let it shine forever more.

Send the light!

The blessed gospel light; let it shine from shore to shore!

Send the light!

The blessed gospel light; let it shine forever more.

Noisy Offering Supporting

Sunshine Live Broadcast Sunshine Cathedral Food Sharing Ministry

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 Marian Cavagnaro

Final Song

Raise You Up

Commissioning

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

Postlude

Rev Renwick Bell

Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Financial Data Snapshot from 17 April

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$11,819.81 Generosity Income Received \$25,899.29 Our Abundance and/or (Need) 14,079.48 Per Capita Giving \$13.65

Worship Services 612
Online Virtual Resourcing 136,457
Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached 622
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SunshineCathedral.org

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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer

Knowing that there is a Power that is omnipresent, that is All Good, and that seeks to joyfully express in and through our lives, we confidently affirm blessings for all who have been committed to the care of our prayers. May each and all be happy and well. Amen.

PRAYER LIST

Millie; Carter; Rhonda; Nicole; Rebecca; 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; Mario; Anita; Juliet; Charlotte; Susan D.; Sadie; Donna C.; Judy L.; RS; 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; Corina (of blessed memory); Michael; MaryEmma; Sandra; Dorayne (of blessed memory); Mark (of blessed memory); Rodney; Kevin & Kelli; Eloise; Christine (of blessed memory); Mark; Elaine; Courtney; Jamie; Marc; David; Tom; Maureen; Thomas; Dotty; Sunshine Cathedral members and friends traveling in Italy; Janet; Scott; Heather; Kerry; Nona; Tim M.; Pat; Sherry; Dani; Kathy S.; Tom B.; 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

REMEMBER

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

LOAVES & FISHES - We ask the Sunshine Cathedral community to bring non-perishable food donations for the Food Sharing Ministry on the first Sunday of each month. This helps us feed over 600 people each week in need of a helping hand.

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

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.

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.

CONTEMPORARY READING – (April 24) Thomas Cathcart who holds a philosophy degree from Harvard and attended seminary in Chicago. He writes about religious and philosophical issues in ways that are accessible and easy to digest. He is the author of 6 books, including the best-selling Plato and a Platypus Walk into a Bar, and most recently, There is No God and Mary is His Mother: Rediscovering Religionless Christianity; (May 1) Vikas Khanna, a celebrity chef in India and internationally known humanitarian.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

April 25: St. Mark the Evangelist—Evangelist. The writer of the oldest gospel in our canon. Mark's gospel was written around 70 ce.

April 27: Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803 – 1882) - American essayist, philosopher, poet, and leader of the Transcendentalist movement in the early 19th century. His teachings directly influenced the growing New Thought movement of the mid-1800s. Emerson wisely noted, "A person will worship something, have no doubt about that. We may think our tribute is paid in secret in the dark recesses of our hearts, but it will come out. That which dominates our imaginations and our thoughts will determine our lives, and our character. Therefore, it behooves us to be careful what we worship, for what we are worshipping, we are becoming." Referring to divine unity and omnipresence, Emerson wrote, "the currents of the Universal Being circulate through me; I am part and parcel of God."

April 28: Oskar Schindler (1908-1974) — "Righteous Gentile." Schindler was a German industrialist who made a fortune on the labor of Jews in his factory. Although raised as a Catholic, he was not religious. For reasons which have never been clear, and at great personal risk, he used his power and influence to save the lives of 1,100 men, women, and children during WW2. At the end of the war he was impoverished. Today he is buried in Jerusalem at Yad Vashem (Holocaust Memorial) among the "Righteous Gentiles."

April 29: St. Catherine of Siena (1347-1380)—Doctor of the Church. An Italian mystic, teacher, and nun, Catherine devoted herself to serving the poor and sick around her. She experienced ecstatic visions and was believed to have received the sign of the stigmata.

April 30: Pseudo-Dionysius (5th or 6th century) — mystical theologian who influenced later mystics, theologians, and philosophers. He understood "god-talk" to always be symbolic, that is, divine Transcendence necessitates speaking of the Divine in symbols, but whatever we say about God must fall short of all that God is. He believed "evil" is temporary and has no real substance to it.

May 1: St. Thomas a Kempis (1380-1471)—Priest. Thomas was a simple Augustinian monk whose life is not remembered so much as his writings. His best known work on the spiritual life is The Imitation of Christ, a classic that has been influential among both Protestants and Catholics. He emphasized that our actions are far more important than our knowledge: "At the Day of Judgment we shall not be asked what we have read, but what we have done."

May 2: Hannah More Kohaus (1844 – 1914) – poet and hymn writer, best known for her "Prayer of Faith" which is recited or sung in many New Thought churches.

May 3: Apostle Philip – chosen by Jesus, the Apostle Philip should not be confused with Philip the Deacon.

May 4: David S. Alkins (1922 – 2015) – was an Episcopal priest (graduate of both New England Conservatory of Music and Berkeley Divinity School at Yale University) who served parishes in Texas and Washington state as well as working with various non-profit agencies. In 1979 he became the Dean of Brooks Divinity School (named for Nona Brooks, it was a Divine Science ministry school in Denver) and received an honorary doctorate in 1987. His two small publications were "Bridge Builders of Truth" and Jesus the Way Shower.

May 6: Henry David Thoreau (1817-1862)—Naturalist and social critic. While his writings were largely ignored in his lifetime, Thoreau's thoughts on social justice, freedom, and civil disobedience were to later influence Tolstoy, Gandhi, and Martin Luther King. A fiercely independent nonconformist, he followed no particular religion, but has been described as something of a Taoist sage. His mystical rapture with nature speaks to us today in our ecological concerns. Some historians speculate that Thoreau may have been gay.



SUNDAY, 1 MAY 2022 AT 6:00 PM

Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts presents The Broward Women Choral Group

Tickets available at SunshineCathedral.org



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