# Welcome Home To Your . . .



Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

There is a Blessing to be Had

Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup> 2022

All Are Welcome!



# Service of Gathering

Welcome Rev Dr Durrell Watkins Rev Dr Robert Griffin

**Announcements** Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Please rise as you are able.

Introit May We Be Filled with Loving-kindness

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.

#### **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** 

Crucifer: Tito McWilliams-Ramos

Processional Hymn When Peace Like a River

When peace like a river upholds me each day, when sorrows like sea billows roll, Whatever my lot, you have taught me to say, 'It is well, it is well with my soul.' It is well...with my soul...it is well with my soul.

My fear – O, the bliss of this glorious thought – my fear not in part, but the whole – is vanquished and now I will bear it no more: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well...with my soul...it is well, it is well with my soul.

O God, speed the day that is filled with your light, when clouds are rolled back as a scroll; The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall appear, even so, it is well with my soul. It is well...with my soul...it is well, it is well with my soul.

# **Opening Prayer**

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

May the Source of strength who blessed the ones before us help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing. May the One who is the Source of all goodness continue to bestow goodness upon us.

Amen.

# **Sung Response**

O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;

For we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end:

We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Please be seated.

# **Service of Proclamation**

Wisdom from the Zen Tradition Rev Dr Anne Atwell

The Buddha told this parable:

A man was traveling and encountered a tiger. The man ran, and the tiger ran after him. Coming to a cliff, the man grabbed a sturdy root and lowered himself below the edge of the cliff, never releasing the root. The tiger stood above, snarling and drooling.

The man looked down to discover another tiger, far below was waiting for him to drop. A hungry tiger above him, a hungry tiger below, and his grip on the root was starting to weaken.

Then two mice came up to the root and started to gnaw at it! Suddenly, the man noticed a strawberry growing out of the mountainside just at eye level. Hanging by one hand, he took his other hand and plucked the strawberry. How sweet it tasted.

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

Please rise as you are able.

# Wisdom of the Apostle Paul (Philippians 4.12-13) Rev Kevin Tisdol

I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through the One who gives me strength.

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

# Song of Response

Jazz Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu. Alleluia, alleluia.

Please be seated.

**The Anthem**Bless The Broken Road
By Marcus Hummon, Bobby Boyd, Jeff Hanna

Performed By Gabe Salazar

Homily There is a Blessing to be Had

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus

Bless You for the Good That's In You
Peggy Lee & Mel Tormé

Bless you for the Good that's in you;
bless you every day.
There's some good in everybody;
we're just made that way.
Good morning, don't be miserable,
you're not as bad as you make out.
That frown don't sit right, get right up and shout. And
shout.

Bless you for the Good that's in you; bless you every night. If you shine like a love-light beacon you'll make out all right If any old trouble comes around today, turn it around and chase it away. Bless you for the good that's in you, bless you every day

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If you shine like a love-light beacon you'll make out all right

If any old trouble comes around today, turn it around and chase it away.

Bless you for the good that's in you, bless you every day

Bless you every day!

## **Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations**

Sign of Peace

Breath of Heaven

Breath of heaven Hold me together Be forever near me Breath of heaven

Breath of heaven
Lighten my darkness
Pour over me your holiness
For you are holy
Breath of heaven
Breath of heaven
Breath of heaven

# 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 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 Because I Have Been Given Much

Music by Phillip Landgrave Lyrics by Grace Noll Crowell Performed By Aaron Ball

Rise as you are able.

**Doxology** God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Lend your joy to all our giving, let it light our pilgrim way; from the night of anxious keeping, loose us in to generous day. Then when years on earth are over, and we've lived our human span, God, fulfill be young our dreaming, all our stewardship began.

# Sacrament of Hospitality Eucharistic Intentions

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

## We Remember

Ralf Kuehnert	07/17/1992	Francis Cianflone	07/20/2003
John Crihfield	07/17/2003	Fred Erb	07/22/2001
Joseph Scali	07/18/2005	Russel Sebright	07/22/2006
Ken Smyth	07/18/2005	Michael Marquez	07/23/2002
Greg Culicetto	07/18/2006	John Thomas	07/23/2006

# **Rainbow Candle Lit Today**

In Memory of all all killed in Gun Violence.

by
The Sunshine Cathedral Staff

We celebrate this Eucharist to the glory of God and with special intentions for the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship and local congregation, and with people all over the world we pray,

May peace prevail on earth!

In praise of the Source of life, in hope for a world that is fair and abundant for everyone, trusting grace equal to every need, acknowledging that we all make mistakes and at times need new chances, and seeking harmony and joy in our lives, we continue our prayers using the words of Jesus:

## **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

(Tune: Hesperus L.M., Words by Durrell Watkins)

#### Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Jesus took bread and blessed and broke, and shared with all who were quite near; the prophet's cup he also gave, to say God needs us now and here.

Remember me the Teacher said, with common cup and broken bread; My spirit stays with you always keeping your heart and soul well-fed.

God of the grape, of grain, and soil, God in the clouds, and light and air; We wish to be your love made known, working to build a world that's fair.

#### **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**

We Are

For each child's that born, a morning star rises and sings to the universe who we are.

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We are our grandmothers' prayers and we are our grandfathers' dreamings, we are the breath of our ancestors, we are the spirit of God.

We are mothers of courage and fathers of time, we are daughters of dust and the sons of great visions.

We're sisters of mercy and brothers of love, we are lovers of life and the builders of nations.

We're seekers of truth and keepers of faith, we are makers of peace and wisdom of ages.

We are our grandmothers' prayers and we are our grandfathers' dreamings, we are the breath of the ancestors we are the spirit of God.

For each child that's born, a morning star rises and sings to the universe who we are.

We are one.

# 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** 

Barbara Ramcharitar

# Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

#### Financial Data Snapshot from 10 July

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$11,819.81 Generosity Income Received \$20,058.01 \$8,238.20 Our Abundance and/or (Need) Per Capita Giving \$22.04 301 Worship Services Online Virtual Resourcing 177,667 People at SC Square 5,500 Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached 702

Detailed information located at SunshineCathedral.org

# Donating to Sunshine Cathedral

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# SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

#### PRAYER LIST

Alex; Lazzlo; Pablo P. (& his friend of blessed memory); Lewis family; SC's worship team; Jim F.; Charlie & Linda; Nona; Mark; Mitzi; Maureen and daughter; Luca's family; Austin's sister; Kai S.; Virginia B.; Michael M.; Leajia; Charlotte O. and Susan D.; Crystal; George; Colleen; Saundra; Ms. Rigby & family; Sunshine (of blessed memory); Marcia; Courtney; Elaine; Jamie; Lydya; Rozen; Rick; WAMMS; Marvin; mass shooting victims in the U.S.; MLF; Anita; TL; TRW; Rodney; MaryEmma; Cindy & Richard; all women in the U.S.; Sarah; Dale; The people of Ukraine; Juzer; Jossie R.; Corrine's mom; Maureen's family; DiAnne & Leslie; Lee; Mike; Karen & Mike; Linda & Monica; Bill N.; Dunbar family; Paul Z.; those who struggle with addiction; Joe & Jane; Don P.; Aaron & Mark; Elijah; Kevin & Kelli; Crystal M.; Mark; 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

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.

## 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

LIVE BROADCAST DRIVE – One of the most important things Sunshine Cathedral has done in recent years is to professionally stream our worship services and other events. In partnership with Happening Out Television Network, our Sunday services can now be seen on Facebook, YouTube, Amazon Fire, Apple TV, Google TV, and Roku. This has taken a big investment of time, creativity, and financial resources and the payoff has been that during pandemic we never missed a service and those who experience our services multiplied exponentially.

In 2020 Five Million people experienced Sunshine Cathedral, and in 2021 that number grew to Six Million. People all over the world worship with us every week. Lives have been touched and changed, and people who have never been to Fort Lauderdale now depend on the encouragement and joy that our ministry offers. It's important and we are thrilled by the result.

In July, we are asking those who can and who appreciate what the broadcast ministry is achieving to make a special donation for this ministry. In addition to your regular giving, a gift of any size can help us continue to reach people all over the world with the progressive, positive, practical message that has enriched and empowered so many already. Your support is greatly appreciated, and it is making miracles happen in people's lives.

**GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP** – Those who don't live locally but who wish to be part of the Sunshine Cathedral community can learn about the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship by visiting SunshineCathedral.org

SUNSHINE CATHEDRAL CHOIR - When will it return? The short answer is, we don't really know. The newest goal is Autumn. This will be the 2nd attempt to fully bring back the choir. If there are 14 or more people interested in rehearsing and singing weekly (and year-round), and if there are no new waves of COVID infections, then it can certainly happen.

When the call to return to rehearsals is made, we hope that seasoned choir members and NEW folk as well will consider adding their voices to our Sunshine Cathedral Music Ministry.

WORSHIP & SAFETY - We are all aware of the ongoing crises of gun violence in our nation. Even houses of worship have been targets. Our leadership has had active shooter training, and our EMS and law enforcement respond quickly when needed. We are always watching for signs of potential danger. If you see something, please say something immediately to one of our key staff leaders, Rev Dr Robert Griffin, Rev Dr Anne Atwell, Rev Kevin Tisdol, Darren Loli, or Peggy Brereton. We don't expect problems but we do want you to be assured that we are prepared as we can be. We are committed to keeping Sunshine Cathedral Square a safe space for all.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORUNITY** - Our Landscape Gardening Team is in need of volunteers. If you have some time to spend on helping to maintain our beautiful Cathedral Square please contact Casey Williams at Joecasey@hotmail.com

**GLOBAL READING** – Rather than a "contemporary" reading, today we have a reading from the Zen spiritual tradition, a story about being fully present in the moment and enjoying what the moment offers, no matter how frightening the future may seem to be.

# SAINTS OF THE WEEK

July 18: Nancy Ledins (1932 – 2017) – a Roman Catholic priest who had gender confirmation surgery in 1979, making her both a woman priest and a transgender priest in the Catholic Church! She didn't try to continue her priestly ministry after her transition, but later in life did volunteer ministry at a Baptist church (American Baptist).

July 20: St. Wilgefortis - a noblewoman who was a devout Christian, Wilgefortis' father betrothed her to a non-Christian king. One night she prayed to be spared from the marriage and the next morning she woke to discover he had a full beard. The king canceled the wedding, and her father, furious, had Wilgefortis crucified. Her cult can be traced to the 1300s, but images of a crucified bearded woman (or a man in woman's dress) from the 11th century have been found. Wilgefortis was removed from the official roster of Catholic saints in 1969 but remains popular in some regions. She is considered a "folk saint." Wilgefortis is embraced by some who self-identify as transgender, gender queer, gender non-conforming, or intersex because the story of Wilgefortis challenges to gender binary norms.

Tammy Faye – (Tamara {Tammy} Faye Messner née LaValley, formerly Bakker, March 7, 1942 – July 20, 2007) - was an American religious figure, singer, author, and television personality known for her glamorous style and affable personality. She initially gained notoriety for her work with The PTL Club, a religious television program she co-founded in 1974 with her husband, Pentecostal minister Jim Bakker.

Jim Bakker was imprisoned for fraud and conspiracy in 1989. Tammy Faye divorced Bakker in 1992 and married Roe Messner. She was diagnosed with colon cancer in 1996, with which she struggled off and on for years before dying in 2007.

At a time when Evangelical and Pentecostal evangelists were openly antagonistic toward Queer people, Tammy Faye was known for being supportive of LGBTQ+ persons and compassionate toward people living with HIV/AIDS. Tammy Faye made history in the 1980s by being very kind and pastoral to Rev. Steve Pieters, a gay minister living with AIDS, as she interviewed him on her television program.

July 21: Albert Luthuli (1898-1967) — Zulu chief, Nobel laureate. An important early leader in the struggle against apartheid, Luthuli was a Zulu chief raised in a Christian home. He became a principle leader in the African National Congress, and was frequently imprisoned for leading strikes and boycotts, and burning his passbook. In 1960 he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. The driving force in his work was his personal faith in God and belief that, despite how things looked in South Africa, justice would one day prevail.

July 22: St. Mary Magdalene — "Apostle to the Apostles." Mary of Magdala (near Capernaum) was one of a group of women who traveled and worked with Jesus. The Gospels report Jesus healed her by casting out seven evil spirits. Her life was forever changed, and she followed him all the way to the cross, even when the men had fled in fear. She has long been the subject of sacred art and literature, and been an important model for the leadership and role of women in the church. She reminds us that there were many women leaders among Jesus' first followers. Despite later myths, there is nothing in the bible to indicate she had been a prostitute.

Performing at Sunshine Cathedral

New River Orchestra Concert

Sunday, July 31st, 2022

Join this community group in its return to live performance. Playing under three conductors this season, the orchestra will present works by Gershwin, Holst, Respighi, Shostakovich, and our own Peter Fuchs.

Tickets
General Admission - \$20.00 & Students - \$10.00

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From a Livestream Donor

Dear Everyone at The Sunshine Catheral,

I am 83 years old and so thankful to have found your wonderful church service on Facebook.

The sermons and talks are very inspiring and insightful; I continue to learn. The music and solos are outstanding. Everything about the service is very enjoyable.

Thank you for sharing your beautiful church service.

Love, MPG (From California)

Help the Sunshine Cathedral Livestream Ministry by adding your name and donation to the Livestream Donors Club.

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Thank you!

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