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Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All.

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme: The Waste of Worry

Sunday, January 29th 2023

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 The Lord Bless You and Keep You

May God bless you and keep you: may God lift Their countenance upon you, and give you peace, and give you peace; may God make Their face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you, be gracious, may God be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

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 My Life is in Thee My life is in you, O omnipresent One, my life is in you, O omnipresent One.

Fountain of life you are, springing within each heart; no life from you apart, O Goodness divine!

My health is in you, O omnipresent One, my health is in you, O omnipresent One.

All good I draw free-ly, your law preserving me; help me this truth to see, and prove it divine!

All power is in you, O omnipresent One, all power is in you. O omnipresent One.

Thus error's chains are riven; heir of the wealth of heaven, to me, your child, is given, a freedom divine!

Opening Prayer

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

One: Magnificent and stunning is the cosmos, which creates all things according to the laws of nature. May its majesty be revealed through the study of its mysteries. And may we live in harmony with our mother, the Earth. And let us say.

Congregation: Amen.

One: Blessed be the web of life forever. Blessed, honored, extolled, glorified, and adored be the interdependent web of life. And let us say,

Congregation: Amen.

Prophetic Witness

For the Healing of the Nations

For the healing of the nations, God, we pray with one accord, for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords; to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.

Please be seated.

Sunshine Cathedral Clarion Call

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Sung Response

For the Healing of the Nations

Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace. Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.

Service of Proclamation

Wisdom of Norman Vincent Peale Rev Marian Cavagnaro

To cure worry, spend fifteen minutes daily filling your mind full of God. Worry is just a very bad mental habit. You can change any habit with God's help.

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

Thanks be to God

Please rise as you are able.

The Gospel According to Matthew (6.25-34, Living Bible)

6.25-34, Living Bible) Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Jesus said, "So my counsel is: Don't worry about things—food, drink, and clothes. For you already have life and a body—and they are far more important than what to eat and wear. Look at the birds! They don't worry about what to eat—they don't need to sow or reap or store up food—for [Heaven] feeds them. And you are far more valuable...than they are. Will all your worries add a single moment to your life?

"And why worry about your clothes? Look at the field lilies! They don't worry about theirs. Yet King Solomon in all his glory was not clothed as beautifully as they. And if God cares so wonderfully for flowers that are here today and gone tomorrow, won't [you] surely [be cared] for, O [you] of little faith?

"So don't worry at all about having enough food and clothing...[Heaven] already knows perfectly well that you [have needs]...

"So don't be anxious about tomorrow. God will take care of your tomorrow too. Live one day at a time.

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

Song of Response

Count Your Blessings

Sign of Peace

How Could Anyone

When upon life's billows you seem tempest tossed, when you feel discouraged, thinking all is lost, Count your many blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what our God has done.

Count your blessings name them one by one; count your blessings, see what God has done; Count your blessings name them one by one; count your many blessings, see what God has done.

When your life seems empty, it is so untrue; there's a mighty Presence making all things new, miracles take place wherever you may be, proving that God's love is with you constantly.

Count your blessings name them one by one; count your blessings, see what God has done; Count your blessings name them one by one; count your many blessings, see what God has done.

Please be seated.

The Anthem Don't Worry About Tomorrow
By Ruth Elaine Schram

Homily The Waste of Worry
Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Altar Call and Anointing

Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus Your 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.

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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

How could anyone ever tell you - you were anything less than beautiful? How could anyone ever tell you - you were less than whole? How could anyone fail to notice that your loving is a miracle? How deeply you're connected to my soul.

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Service of Sacraments

Sacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings) Rev Kevin Tisdol

Stewardship Thought

"...they gave freely and whole-heartedly to the LORD." 1 Chronicles 29.9

Offering Prayer

May God bless every gift and every giver. Amen.

Offering Music

By Chad Beguelin and Matthew Sklar

By Chad Beguelin and Matthew Sklar Performed By Sara Burns

Rise as you are able.

Doxology

We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a gift, O God, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive and gladly, as thou blesses us, to thee our first fruits give. Amen.

Sacrament of Hospitality We Remember

Tony Roberti	01/30/1990	Al Mendez	02/01/1999
Jerry Mitchell	01/30/2005	Fred Hallock	02/01/2003
Paul Wade	01/31/1992	Tony Villante	02/02/2010
Chuck Eastman	01/31/2002	Carl Jennings	02/03/2019
Anthony Borroni	01/31/2019	Ben Ansley	02/04/1991
Jeff Mecasky	02/01/1990	Richard Carlone	02/04/2006
Bill Camerino	02/01/1996		

Rainbow Candle Lit Today

In Memory of all killed in Gun Violence.

by
The Sunshine Cathedral Staff

Rainbow Candle Lit Today

In Memory of

John Hill January 29, 2014

by Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

Eucharistic Intentions

Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

We celebrate this Eucharist to the glory of God and with special intentions for the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship and local congregation.

Prayer 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 Dr Anne Atwell

We pray for the Sunshine Cathedral's global fellowship and local congregation, may we bring hope and healing to many.

We pray for all seekers of Truth, may they discover an Abiding Peace.

We pray for all who govern that they may work tirelessly for justice, peace, and goodwill.

We pray for any who might be hurting and we give thanks for grace equal to every need.

We pray for those who grieve; may they be comforted. We bless the memories of our (+) dearly departed, and we allow ourselves to be blessed by those memories.

We affirm blessings for all who are on our prayer list and all who are on our hearts.

And with people all over the world we pray,

May peace prevail on earth!

These prayers we offer in the names of all helpers of humanity, and in the spirit of Jesus, son of Mary, as we continue to pray as Jesus taught us:

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 Marian Cavagnaro

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."

Invitation to Communion

Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

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

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

For Everyone Born

For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead, 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!

For gay and for straight, a place at the table, a covenant shared, a welcoming space, a rainbow of race and gender and color, for gay and for straight, the chalice of grace, 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!

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!

Noisy Offering

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

Lean On 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: 22January

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$12,043.96 Generosity Income Received \$7,017.42 (\$5,026.54) Our Abundance and/or (Need) Per Capita Giving \$22.65 287 SC Square Worship Services SC Global Fellowship 157.181 People at SC Square (Weekly Avg) 4,900 Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached 741 Detailed information located at SunshineCathedral.org

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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING...

Victoria V.; Anthony's aunt; Austin; Martha (of blessed memory); Benjamin; Those who are incarcerated; MLF; Anita; Deb T.L.; Sharon & Dale; the people of Ukraine; Lennie; Terri & her mother; Rodney;

Debbie O.; John (of blessed memory); Bill V. (of blessed memory); Lee P.; Minerva R.; Logan; Kate; Hayden; Connor and Jeannie; Q&E; L&C; Rene; Fila; Tere; Mari; Gloria; Wanda; Sam; Eli; John; Eric; Javier (of blessed memory); B&D; Kevin & Kelli; Chan & Christine; Eloise; Alfredo; Walter, Shari, and Rose (of blessed memory); Michael's friend; Bruce; RB's mom; Chris & Dave & family; Noah;

Ron; Marlene; Mark (of blessed memory); Tim D.; Max; M. Krause; Rose; MLR's das; MonaLisa; Jeff & Ken; those who are incarcerated; Nicholas; Don D.; Nora; Valeek; Art; Pat; Jean; Sayantan & Dipanwita; Alexander; Dave; Lewis family; Alex; Wendy L.D.; Momena; Don E.; Steve P.; 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

LET US PRAY ...

Dear ones: May God's perfect Good be done for you, to you, in you, through you, by you, and as you! I give thanks for this Good and I trust that all is 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

ANNE STEELE - Anne Steele in The Mixtape Of My Life: Anne Steele is a multi-award-winning singer/songwriter and recording artist from New York City. She's coming to Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts on Feb. 3 at 8 pm. Tickets can be secured at SunshineCathedral. org/arts. She will take you back to classics you know and love but with a 2023 twist.

Anne is known for weaving hilarious stories from her life into a setlist ranging from high energy belting dance numbers to blow the roof off ballads. She will walk you through those awkward moments that all of us can relate to with a soundtrack from the 80's and 90's and on to today's music ranging from music by Whitney Houston to Madonna to Dua Lipa and so much more!

You don't want to miss this ONE NIGHT ONLY powerful night of music nostalgia with Anne Steele (and William TN Hall on the piano)! Tickets are non-refundable.

FOOD FESTIVAL – Sunshine Cathedral Food Festival, February 4 at 6:30 pm. Enter your favorite dish, or just come and taste everyone's culinary delights. \$15 to enter a dish (includes ticket to the event) or \$15 to attend. See Rick Brown or any board member for more details. Tickets available at SunshineCathedral.org/give

LOAVES & FISHES – Non-perishable food items will be received next Sunday to help keep our food pantry well stocked. The first Sunday of each month we collect food for our food sharing ministry whereby we feed up to 800 people every week. Your donations of non-perishable food is helping people in our community avoid food insecurity.

BONA MONDAY - Feb. 6, you'll want to eat at Bona Italian Restaurant in Wilton Manors because a percentage of every item served that evening will be donated back to Sunshine Cathedral.

SAVE THE DATE – HOMOSEXUALITY AND THE BIBLE, Feb. 15 at 7 pm in the Lawrence/Lewis Center for Worship & the Arts. The one night only free class will be offered by Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins.

USHERS NEEDED - Starting right away, we need more ushers, especially for our performing arts events. If you would like to become an usher, please see our head usher Peggy Brereton.

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.

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

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - The Sunshine Cathedral Foundation is conducting a capital campaign to improve our property. We need improvements in the administration building and new air conditioning pretty much everywhere. We also need to improve our food sharing ministry storage facilities and our global fellowship capabilities. We're hoping to raise over \$300k over three years or so but we want your pledge commitments as soon as possible. Pledges and payments can be made at SunshineCathedral. org/campaign. We thank those who have already pledged and/or contributed and we're hoping that everyone will try to contribute above and beyond their regular tithing to help make this campaign successful.

TEAM SUNSHINE CATHEDRAL - Join us on Saturday, March 18, 2023 at Fort Lauderdale Beach for the Florida AIDS Walk and Music Festival. www.floridaaidswalk.org and search for team "Sunshine Cathedral" If you have any questions, please contact: Rev Anne at 954-462-2004 ext 208 anne@sunshinecathedral.org or Tito McWilliams-Ramos at banjibwoi@gmail.com

Join the Sunshine Cathedral AIDS Walk Team or support the team, either way, we can make a difference for people in Broward County who require HIV services.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

January 30: Mohandas K. Gandhi (1869 – 1948) – Proponent of non-violent resistance to systems of oppression. His philosophy and activism sparked the movement for Indian independence from Great Britain. He was a Hindu but also an admirer of Jesus Christ (though he rejected the dogmatic claims of Christianity) and his example inspired U.S. Civil Rights Leader Martin Luther King, Jr.

February 1: St. Brigid (451 – 525) – an Irish nun who shares a name and feast day with a Celtic goddess. She was raised by Druids and is believed to have been a priestess of the goddess Brigid before converting to Catholicism. There is a legend that suggests that when Brigid (also spelled Bridget) made her final vows, the bishop was so overcome in the moment that he accidentally performed the rite for consecrating a bishop! Brigid had an "anam cara" (soul mate) named Darlughdach, another nun. The two slept in the same bed.

February 2: Presentation of Jesus in the Temple (Candlemas)—Today remembers the story of Jesus' parents taking him into the Temple, where he was blessed by Simeon and Anna (Luke 2:22-40). This reminds us of the Jewish law (Exodus 13:2; 22:29) that every firstborn son was to be dedicated in memory of the deliverance of Israel from slavery in Egypt. In some traditions candles are brought to the church on this day to be blessed.

Madonna of Montevergine - In the 13th century two young men in southern Italy were in love. They tried to keep their relationship secret, but one cold and gloomy winter day I

n1256, they were spotted holding hands and kissing on the way to Mass. A crowd (which became an angry mob) attacked them, stripped them naked, and tied them to a tree near the Shrine of the Madonna of Montevergine. Naked, cold, surrounded by snow and ice, they were left to freeze to death. According to legend, the Madonna of Montevergine was moved by the men's love for each other. She sent unexpected sunshine to warm the lovers. Soon, they were able to free themselves. Some accounts say that the couple celebrated by making love on the spot! Because of this miracle, the community allowed the men to live openly as a couple. The community was transformed into a place of tolerance toward sexual minorities. Every year on Candlemas, pilgrims to the Shrine of the Madonna include gender-bending devotees of Mary, known as "femminielli."

February 4: Cornelius the Centurion—The story of Cornelius is told in Acts 10-11. He was an important military leader and a deeply religious person who was interested in Judaism. His story is significant in the growth of the early church because he and his family were among the first Gentile converts, thereby opening the door for the message of Jesus to spread throughout the Roman Empire. His story is significant for gay and lesbian people because of Peter's vision, which led him to go to Caesarea and visit this Gentile home. This vision led Peter to understand that, despite the laws of Leviticus, there was a higher law of love: "God has shown me that I should not call anyone profane or unclean."

February 5: St. Agatha (231 - 251) - a Sicilian saint who dedicated herself to a life of prayer, a "consecrated virgin." A nobleman decided that he would persuade her to marry him. She rebuffed all his advances, and he eventually turned her in for being a Follower of the Christ Way. She was brought before a judge who just happened to be the very nobleman who turned her in for practicing her underground faith. He offered to drop the charges if she would marry him. She refused. He sentenced her to a brothel. The nobleman later offered to release her if she married him. She again refused and he sentenced her to prison and to torture. She was whipped, burned, and her breasts were removed. Despite such agonizing treatment, she never agreed to marry her tormentor. One night she had a vision of St. Peter whose intercessions, she believed, helped her wounds to heal. Eventually, however, she did die. Her intercessions are now thought to benefit women with breast cancer, nursing mothers, people who have been injured by fire, and women who have been assaulted. In art, she is often shown holding breasts on a plate.



2023 Performances

Anne Steele Friday, February 3

Matt Alber Friday, February 10

Varla Jean Merman - Ready to Blow Saturday, February 11

Miss Richfield, 1981 - Cancel Cultured Pearls Saturday, March 11

Amy Armstrong & Fernando Gonzalez
- The Gato & the Guapo Saturday, March 18

Brandon & James with Effie Passero Saturday, March 25

Well Strung's Edmund Bagnell Friday, April 14

Pick up a copy of the 2023 Season Guide in your pew back for more details.



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