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Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All.

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme: Time to Shine

Transfiguration Sunday

Sunday, February 19th 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 Total Praise
(African American Heritage Hymnal)

Lord, I will lift mine eye to the hills knowing my help is coming from you. Your peace you give me in time of the storm.

You are the source of my strength. You are the strength of my life. I lift my hands in total praise to you.

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Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen. 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 McWillams-Ramos

Processional Hymn

Precious Memories (AAHH)

Precious mem'ries, unseen angels, sent from somewhere to my soul; how they linger ever near me, and the sacred past unfold.

Precious mem'ries, how they linger, how they ever flood my soul; in the stillness of the midnight, precious sacred scenes unfold.

Precious father, loving mother, fly across the lonely years; and old home scenes of my childhood, in fond memory appear.

Precious mem'ries, how they linger, how they ever flood my soul; in the stillness of the midnight, precious sacred scenes unfold.

As I travel on life's pathway, know not what the years may hold; as I ponder, hope grows fonder precious mem'ries flood my soul.

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Opening Prayer

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

One: Let us praise the majesty of the universe, old beyond imagining, source of all things, which has created diversity and interdependent unity.

Congregation: We stand in awe before the majestic forces of the universe, and recognize our dependence on one another.

One: May the idols of greed and selfishness fall to the overwhelming power of cooperation and righteousness. Congregation: May all who live acknowledge the rule of justice and swear loyalty to a life of goodness. Amen.

Prophetic Witness

Come and Go with Me (Singing the Journey Hymn Book)

Come and go with me to that land, come and go with me to that land, come and go with me to that land where I'm bound (where I'm bound).

Come and go with me to that land, come and go with me to that land, come and go with me to that land where I'm bound.

There'll be freedom in that land, there'll be freedom in that land, there'll be freedom in that land where I'm bound (where I'm bound).

There'll be freedom in that land, there'll be freedom in that land, there'll be freedom in that land where I'm bound.

Please be seated.



Sung Response

Come and Go with Me (STJHB)

There'll be justice in that land, there'll be justice in that land, there'll be justice in that land where I'm bound (where I'm bound).

There'll be justice in that land, there'll be justice in that land, there'll be justice in that land where I'm bound.

Service of Proclamation

A Reading from The Torah

(Exodus 34.29, New Catholic Bible) Rev Kevin Tisdol

When Moses went down from Mount Sinai, he had the two tablets of Testimony in his hands, while he descended the mountain. He did not know that the skin of his face had become radiant, for he had been speaking with the [almighty].

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

A Reading from the Books of Kings

(2 Kings 2.11, NIV) Rev Kevin Tisdol

As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind.

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

Please rise as you are able.

The Gospel According to Matthew

(16.28, 17.1-8, New American Bible) Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Jesus said, "I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Child, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

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

Song of Response

We've Come This Far by Faith (AAHH)

We've come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord; trusting in God's holy word, God's never failed me yet. Oh – can't turn around, we've come this far by faith.

We've come this far by faith, leaning on the Lord; trusting in God's holy word, God's never failed me yet. Oh – can't turn around, we've come this far by faith.

Please be seated.

The Anthem

I Am Changing By Henry Krieger and Tom Eyen Gabe Salazar

Homily

Time to Shine by Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Altar Call and Anointing

Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus

I Don't Feel No Ways Tired (AAHH)

I don't feel no ways tired; I've come too far from where I've started from. Nobody told me that the road would be easy. I don't believe You brought me this far to leave me.

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Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Sign of Peace

Lean on Me

Service of Sacraments

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

Stewardship Thought

"The generous will themselves be blessed..." Proverbs 22.9

Offering Prayer

May God bless every gift and every giver. Amen.

Offering Music

Valse Triste
By Franz Vecsey
Performed By Laura Gonzalez

Rise as you are able.

Doxology

You Can't Beat Got Giving (AAHH)

You can't beat God giving, no matter how you try. And just as sure as you are living and the Lord is in heaven on high, the more you give, the more God gives to you. Just keep on giving because it's really true, that you can't beat God giving no matter how you try.

Sacrament of Hospitality We Remember

Craig Veser	02/19/1995	Dale Murphy	02/21/1999
Evvie Cippoletti	02/19/2016	Hal Strangways	02/23/1992
Tony Maurizio	02/20/1990	Trudy Kaufmann	02/24/1995
Jack Davis	02/20/1992	Doris Kurant	02/24/1996
Jason Davis	02/20/1992	Peter Consorti	02/24/2004
Edward Chaney	02/20/2000	Justin Flippen	02/25/2020
Josh Wagner	02/20/2016		
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Eucharistic Intentions

Rev Kurt Krieger

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

Prayer Chorus (Singing the Journey Hymn Book)

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

Rev Marian Cavagnaro & Rev Kevin Tisdol

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.

Invitation to Communion

Rev Kurt Krieger

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

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

I Want Jesus to Go with Me (New Century Hymn Book)

I want Jesus to go with me; I want Jesus to go with me; all along my pilgrim journey, O I want Jesus to go with me.

In my trials, O comfort me; in my trials, O comfort me; when my heart is almost breaking, O I want Jesus to comfort me.

When I'm in trouble,
O stay with me;
when I'm in trouble,
O stay with me;
when my head is bowed in sorrow,
O I want Jesus to stay with me.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev Kurt Krieger

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 Little Light of Mine

Commissioning

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

Postlude

Barbara Ramcharitar

HAVE A BLESSED week ahead

Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Financial Data Snapshot: 12 February

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$12,043.96 Generosity Income Received \$12,115.24 \$71.28 Our Abundance and/or (Need) Per Capita Giving \$16.07 308 SC Square Worship Services SC Global Fellowship 178,329 People at SC Square (Weekly Avg) 5,500 739 Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached Detailed information located at SunshineCathedral.org

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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING...

the people of Ukraine; Lennie; Terri & her mother; Rodney; Ron; Marlene; Mark (of blessed memory); Tim D.; Max; M. Krause; Rose; MLR's dad; MonaLisa; Jeff & Ken; those who are incarcerated; Nicholas; Don D.; Nora; Valeek; Art; Pat; Jean; Sayantan & Dipanwita; Alexander; Dave; Wendy L.D.; Momena; Dale;

KK; Gary; Juan; Ken; DS & KW; Charlotte; Richard & Giorgio; Elaine V.; Cathy & Karen; David B.; Lewis family; Kevin & Kelli;

Michael; Jade & Val family; Victor; MLF; Anita; Deb T.L.;

Abby; Andrea; Yolanda; Paul; Louise (of blessed memory); Doris; Sue & family; Diana; Brian; Tessa W.; Emma; Gen; Brian; Kikito (of blessed memory); Cruz Family; Jey C.; Julie C.; Don; Edda's dad-in-law; Felix M.; Rosa M.; Stark; Jeff & Ken; Alex G.; Nancy D. & Lynn; 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 ...

I wish for each of these I hold in prayer to be abundantly and continuously blessed. I affirm hope, peace, joy, wisdom, and angelic guidance for each and all. I know there is a power for good at work in each life, and therefore, I ask for, believe in, and expect miracles. In each life, let miracles abound. 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

ASH WEDNESDAY – Join us for our Ash Wednesday service at 7 pm on Feb. 22. Ash Wednesday begins the Season of Lent, a season of spiritual renewal.

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

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.

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.

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.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

February 20: Frederick Douglass (1818-1895)—Abolitionist. Born into slavery, Douglass managed to escape to the North and freedom. There he became a champion of the abolitionist movement as he lectured across the United States and Europe. He was noted for his amazing oratorical skills. Although a lay preacher in the AME Zion church, he became increasingly critical of the silence of much of Christianity regarding slavery.

Marcella Althaus-Reid (1952-2009) - born in Argentina, she studied liberation theology and earned a Bachelor of Theology degree at the Instituto Superior Evangelico de Estudios Teologicos (ISEDET) seminary in Buenos Aires. Althaus-Reid was Methodist and worked with methods pioneered by philosopher and advocate of critical pedagogy, Paolo Freire. She continued studies in Liberation, Feminist, and Queer Theologies and completed a Ph.D. at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. She became Professor of Contextual Theology at New College. University of Edinburgh. She was the first woman professor of theology in the history of New College. Marcella was known as an "indecent, Latina, bisexual theologian" because of her books Indecent Theology (2000) and The Queer God (2004). Her work challenged sexual oppression in Christianity. At the time of her death, she was the Director of the International Association for Queer Theology.

February 21: John Henry Newman, a 19th-century British scholar-cardinal, was canonized as a saint amid rampant speculation that he was gay. Newman had a "romantic friendship" with Ambrose St. John. The two priests lived together for 32 years and share the same grave.

February 22: Andy Warhol (1928 – 1987) - famous for painting Campbell's soup cans, he made hundreds of other works, including avant-garde independent films and religious-themed art. Much of his work was influenced by his lifelong Byzantine Catholicism. Controversial gay artist Robert Mapplethorpe was a friend of Andy's. While Warhol's sexuality is often overlooked, we do know that he was gay.

Robert Earl Carter (July 27, 1927 – Feb 22, 2010) - Roman Catholic priest co-founded the National Gay Task Force in 1973. Afterward, Carter "came out."

Vernon Andrew Shields (1920 – 2011) - Dr. Vernon Shields spent thirty-one years as the minister of the First Divine Science Church of Minneapolis, MN.

February 24: Apostle Matthias – an apostle chosen by the other apostles (rather than by Jesus) to replace Judas Iscariot.

February 25: Felix Varela (1788-1853)— Cuban priest and theologian. Long revered as a champion of justice in his native Cuba, Varela spent most of his ministry in exile in New York, having argued for the independence of Cuba from Spain, and the abolition of slavery. He was the first Hispanic theologian in the US, and died in St. Augustine, Florida. His tomb was visited by José Martí, who called him a "Cuban saint." His remains were later returned to Cuba, where he is still honored.

Saint Avertanus and Blessed Romeo - 14th century French monks, traveling companions and "AIDS patrons" who died together of the plague and share the same coffin.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Teresa Flores, Percussion, for playing at the Sunshine Cathedral for 20 Years! Thank you Teresa and well done!

Sunshine Cathedral Community Outreach Team

The Sunshine Cathedral is preparing to relaunch our Community Outreach Team. We will soon be needing individuals to join Team Sunshine Cathedral to participate in various Pride events in Palm Beach (March), Miami (April) and Stonewall (June) -- and various Social Justice Calls to Actions - so we want to invite you to be thinking about if this is a team you would like to join. More information and sign up opportunity will be coming out soon.

Did You Know?

Sunshine Cathedral has a new talk show called Queer News Tonight Sunshine Edition. This is a new program hosted by members of your Sunshine Cathedral Clergy Staff, Rev Dr Anne Atwell, Minister of Connections, Rev Kevin Tisdol, Minister of Eduction and Rev Dr Robert Griffin, Executive Minister and the show is Anchored by our Senior Minister, Rev Dr Durrell Watkins. Search for this new program on Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Page or YouTube and search for Sunshine Edition.

Movie Night - Tonight!

HALLS OF POWER - FREE documentary film showing, Feb. 19 at 7 pm. Learn about the impressive life and work of activist and political hopeful Elijah Manly, the youngest person to ever stand for election to the Florida House of Representatives. Film showing at Sunshine Cathedral.

Coming UP in March

Easter Lily Drive

Food Sharing - Lenten Food Drive

15 – Bible Study: Women in Hebrew Bible with Rev Dr Anne Atwell

22 - Women's History MonthTownhall

Coming UP in April

5 - Passover

9 - Palm Sunday

7 - Good Friday Concert - 7pm

9 - Easter: Service at 9AM & 10:30AM

12 - Bible Study: Women in Christian Tradition with Rev Dr Anne Atwell



2023 Performances

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

Café Society Pride a GENVAS Production presents Didier Castell-Jacomin, piano, Steinway Artist Saturday, April 29

Tango Ensemble ARTE Sunday, April 30

Rachmaninoff Complete Etudes Asiya Korepanova Friday, May 12

> Muse Duo Saturday, May 20

Concert with Anastasiya Naplekova and Lindsay Garritson Saturday, May 27

Café Society Pride a GENVAS Production presents Lucia Lucas, Female Baritone In Her Own Voice...An Autobiographical Salon Concert Saturday, June 10

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

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