Welcome Home To Your . . .



Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All.

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme: Mommy Divine

Easter 6 - Sunday, May 14th 2023

All Are Welcome!



Service of Gathering

Welcome Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Announcements Rev Kevin Tisdol

Please rise as you are able.

Introit Heal Our Land

Heal our world, Spirit heal our world; Hear our cry and turn our nations back to you. Lord, heal our world, hear us, O Lord, and heal our world; Receive our prayer and heal our broken world. Receive our prayer and heal our broken world.

Sunshine Cathedral Affirmation

Sunshine Cathedral is a different kind of church where: *Our God is love.

*Kindness is our worship. *Compassion is our prayer.

*The sacred value of all people is our creed; and *Healing the hurts caused by hatred is our mission.

The Call to Worship

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Service of Praise

Crucifer - Deacon Lydya Chapman

Processional Hymn O Life That Maketh All Things New (Sharing the Living Tradition)

O Life that maketh all things new, the blooming earth, our thoughts within, our pilgrim feet, wet with thy dew, in gladness hither turn again.

From hand to hand the greeting flows, from eye to eye the signals run, from heart to heart the bright hope glows; the seekers of the light are one;

One in the freedom of the truth, one in the joy of paths untrod, one in the soul's perennial youth, one in the larger thought of God.

The freer step, the fuller breath, the wide horizon's grander view, the sense of life that knows no death, the Life that maketh all things new.

Opening Prayer Rev Dr Anne Atwell (by Ralph Waldo Emerson, abridged)

One: The Highest dwells within us.

All: There is deep power in which we exist and whose beatitude is accessible to us.

One: Within us is the soul of the Whole; the wise silence, the universal beauty, to which every part is equally related; the eternal One.

All: When it breaks through our intellect, it is genius; when it breathes through our will, it is virtue; when it flows through our affections, it is love. Amen.

Prayer Response In the Midst of New Dimensions

As we stand a world divided by our own self-seeking schemes, grant that we your global village, might envision wiser dreams

God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar, we your people, ours the journey now and ever, now and ever, now and evermore.

Please be seated.

Service of Proclamation

Wisdom of Tegh Bahadur Rev Kevin Tisdol

"God lives in all, and abides with you, too. As fragrance dwells in the a flower...the divine dwells inside everything..."

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

The Wisdom of the Prophet Isaiah (66.13, NIV)

As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you.

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

Please rise as you are able.

The Gospel According to Luke

(13.34, Easy to Read Version)
Rev Marian Cavagnaro

Jesus said, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem! You kill the prophets. You stone to death the people God has sent to you. How many times I wanted to help your people. I wanted to gather them together as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings. But you did not let me."

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

Song of Response

How Could Anyone (Singing the Journey)

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. (x2)

Please be seated.

The Anthem

Mama Will Provide
By Lynn Ahrens & Stephen Flaherty
Performed By Jessica Borbone

Homily

Mommy Divine
Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Altar Call and Anointing

Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus

You Are My Hiding Place

You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart with songs of deliverance whenever I am afraid, I will trust in you. I will trust in you. Let the weak say, 'I am strong in the strength of our God.'

You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart with songs of deliverance whenever I am afraid, I will trust in you.

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 Kevin Tisdol

Stewardship Thought

"A field is empty, but if you put in the effort to grow something then you will have a garden. And that's life. Give something, something will come back...To grow a flower is a miracle: it means you can grow more. Remember that a flower is not just a flower, it is the start of a whole garden." Eddie Jaku

Offering Prayer

May God bless every gift and every giver. Amen.

Offering Music

Partita
By Dennis Eliot
Performed Barbara Ramcharitar

Rise as you are able.

Doxology

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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Sacrament of Hospitality We Remember

Kevin Friel	05/14/2015	John Gorcyca	05/17/1998
Phillip Herbert	05/15/1992	Norma Jalbert	05/18/1994
Larry Collins	05/15/1994	Jean Pyburn	05/18/2003
Gene Kelly	05/15/2007	Betty Ann Priscak	05/18/2010
Judy Kiser	05/15/2016	Rosemary Anderson	05/18/2015
Karl Lutgens	05/15/2020	Hector Torres	05/19/1990
Lou Bevacqua	05/16/2001	Norman Pittenger	05/19/1997
Jane Wynn	05/16/2015	Gary Franck	05/20/1996
Bob Zwicky	05/16/2019	•	

Rainbow Candle Lit Today

In Memory of all killed in Gun Violence.

by
The Sunshine Cathedral Staff

Eucharistic Intentions

Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

One: We celebrate this Eucharist to the glory of God and with special intentions for the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship and local congregation. Christ lives in story, in ritual, and in our lives as we remember Jesus at this table. And so, with Eastertide gladness, let us sing together:

Let the victor's people sing, alleluia! Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia! Dying once, Christ lives today, alleluia! Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Intercessions

Rev Kevin Tisdol

One: Spirit of Community, in which we share and find strength and common purpose, we turn our minds and hearts toward one another seeking to bring into our circles of concern all who need our love and support:

Those who are ill, those who are in pain, either in body or in spirit, those who are lonely, those who have been wronged.

We call to mind leaders of nations.

We seek to bless our Sunshine Cathedral and all who have requested our prayers.

We remember also our (+) dearly departed, thankful that they live on in our hearts and love.

We are part of a web of life that makes us one with all humanity, one with all the universe.

We are grateful for the miracle of consciousness that we share, the consciousness that gives us the power to remember, to love, to care.

And with people all over the world we pray – All: May peace prevail on earth.

One: 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: On the night of his arrest, Jesus shared a Passover meal with his closest companions.

He compared sharing bread to being a body where many parts work together within and as a whole.

He compared a memorial cup to the life-blood of a ministry dedicated to justice-love.

And he asked that when such a meal was shared again, that he be remembered (+), so that his life and love would be present in their blessed memories.

All: We remember. We share. We give thanks. We summon hope. We are one. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

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

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

Standing on the Side of Love (Singing the Journey)

The promise of the Spirit: faith, hope and love abide. And so ev'ry soul is blessed and made whole; truth in our hearts is our guide.

We are standing on the side of love: hands joined together as hearts beat as one.

Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim we are standing on the side of love.

Sometimes we build a barrier to keep love tightly bound. Corrupted by fear, unwilling to hear, denying the beauty we've found.

We are standing on the side of love: hands joined together as hearts beat as one.

Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim we are standing on the side of love.

A bright new day is dawning when love will not divide. Reflections of grace in ev'ry embrace, fulfilling the vision divine

We are standing on the side of love: hands joined together as hearts beat as one.

Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim we are standing on the side of love.

We are standing on the side of love.

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 Anne Atwell

Final Song

I Saw the Light

Commissioning

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

Postlude

Barbara Ramcharitar

Processing Fees – Due to an increase, any credit card processed by the church office will include a 2.5% processing fee beginning 1 May 2023.

Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Financial Data Snapshot: 7 May

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$12,043.96 Generosity Income Received \$13,993.63 \$1,949.67 Our Abundance and/or (Need) Per Capita Giving 19.89 304 SC Square Worship Services SC Global Fellowship 180.797 People at SC Square (Weekly Avg) 5,800 842 Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached Detailed information located at SunshineCathedral.org

Donating to Sunshine Cathedral

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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING...

those who are incarcerated; Colleen; MLF; Anita; Rodney; The people of Ukraine; Bary & Bob; Ken; Max; Michael M.; Martha; Deb T.L.; all who work for peace and justice; Nancy; Jeannie; Logan & Kate; Hayden; Dean; Emmet; Kevin & Kellie; PM & CT; TJ; Shelly; Mark's father of blessed memory; Chuck's mother; Sheila; Jeannie & Kim;

Edie; Hermine; Roz & Judy; Jade family; Lewis family; Virginia; Mark; Aaron; Brian; Bill; Mama Tullo; Lenae; David H.; Raymont A.; DonnaChristine; Rodney & Carol; PB's mom; Elaine; Ginny; Steve M.; TT; Melissa; Kevin & Kelli; Kevin K.; Terri;

Beau; Deb; Dani & Andrew; Barbara S. (of blessed memory); Lee W.; Harvey; SD & KW; Zackary a.; Glenn & Martin; Ken; Wm; Gen; Drag performers; Trans and non-binary youth;

Ashely; 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

CHURCH POTLUCK – Pastor Robert will be the host for a Church Potluck on Wednesday, 17 May, 6PM – 7:30PM, in the Social Hall. Great time for community, connecting, conversation AND EATING!

MEMBERSHIP CLASS – There will be a Sunshine Cathedral Zoom Membership Class on Wednesday, 24 May beginning at 7PM. Please email Pastor Robert to sign up.

MOVIE NIGHT – Join Pastor Robert for a Movie Night at the Gateway Theater ... for whatever is playing on 31 May at the 7PM hour.

SUMMER CLUB – every year we designate a few weeks as our Summer Club collection time. The Summer Club is simply anyone and everyone who gives a bit extra in May and June to help us face the shortfalls that summers traditionally have brought. If those who travel will remember to donate even while they are away, and those in our Global/ Virtual congregation continue to donate, and everyone who can gives a bit extra (that could be \$5 or \$10 more each week, or a one-time extra gift of any size), we'll get through summer with relative ease and never miss a beat in providing ministry to our local and global communities.

FALL CRUISE – Cruise With Sunshine and Your Friends In Our Greece Fundraiser Cruise Tour! And, we have a contest where you have a chance to travel for free.

RAFFLE: Every friend that travels with you enters you in the raffle to cruise for free. Meaning 4 friends traveling with you means 4 chances for you to cruise for free.

BONUS: In addition to raffle entry, for every friend that travels with you, you get \$100 on the ship. Meaning if 4 friends travel with you, you get \$400 to spend on board your cruise.

If you plan on joining us for the cruise anyway, get your friends to join you and you might just win some great prizes.

SOCIAL HALL HOSPITALITY – Coffee and treats between 10 am and 10:30 am. This gives people leaving the first service and those coming to second service both a chance to have a little pick me up and also meet one another.

AREAS OF SERVICE – Would you like to join the choir (they rehearse weekly and sing at both Sunday morning services)? Could you help us as an usher? Do you like to clean? Would you like to bake desserts or make dips or finger sandwiches for Social Hall Hospitality? There are several areas where you can get more involved. Everyone needs to meet people and have something to do, and giving service to an area of ministry at Sunshine Cathedral is a great way to achieve both goals.

WE NEED SUNSHINE CATHEDRAL TO REPRESENT DURING PRIDE – the first Pride Parade was a memorial celebration of the Stonewall Uprising. As we all proudly remember, the Stonewall Uprising was when a gay bar in NYC was raided by the police but this time, people resisted. They marched in the streets, they chanted, they confronted the police, they surrounded the police, some threw objects. Many of those resisters were people of color, drag performers, and transgender people. So, one cannot honorably celebrate "Pride" without the inclusion of the drag and trans communities.

Sunshine Cathedral wants to march strong in this year's Pride Parade in memory and honor of those who are being unfairly excluded. Drag artists and transgender people are under attack these days, having their existence and their livelihoods criminalized state by state. This is a violation of free speech/expression, and for those of us who count such trans and drag figures among our saints and spiritual heroes, it's an infringement of religious freedom.

In solidarity with the drag and trans members of our community, and in blessed memory of the righteous warriors of Stonewall whose actions inspired the first Pride Parades, Sunshine Cathedral wants to march in force this year. We want 60 marchers or more!

Let's march! Join us on Saturday, June 17th the parade begins at 7PM.

We need you. You can invite friends to join you. Let's show the world that the LGBTQ+ community is proud to be the people we are divinely designed to be, and we will not be silent when any segment of our community is being unfairly targeted. Let's march! To join our marching team, please contact Rev. Dr. Robert Griffin (robert@sunshinecathedral.org).

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

OUR SUNDAY BROADCAST is made possible by Happening Out Television Network. Happening Out is housed at Sunshine Cathedral Square. Happening Out programming can be viewed on YouTube, Facebook, Roku, and other streaming venues.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

May 15: Claudine Whitaker (1892 – 1970) – Episcopal deaconess who became first a Divine Science and then Religious Science minister. She founded a church in Chicago which she led from 1943 to 1969. For much of that time she taught summer courses in Divine Science.

May 16: Thomas Troward (1847-1916) – Judge (in India) and New Thought pioneer, Troward influenced such thinkers as Emmet Fox and Religious Science founder Ernest Holmes. Troward believed that "Belief in limitation is the one and only thing that causes limitation."

May 17: Blessed Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947)—Exslave and nun. Born in the African nation of Sudan, at the age of nine Bakhita was kidnapped and sold into slavery. Eventually she was bought by a family who took her back to Italy. Upon hearing the gospel she understood that God meant for her to be free. She went to court to gain her freedom, and then discovered that slavery was illegal in Italy! She was then baptized and took religious vows as a nun. She spent her life serving others, and became famous for her quiet faith.

May 20: Tehilla Lichtenstein (1893 – 1973) – co-founder with her husband, Morris, of the Society for Jewish Science (a metaphysical interpretation and application of Judaism). She was born in Jerusalem and immigrated to the U.S. when she was eleven. After her husband, a rabbi, died, Tehilla took over the leadership of the Society for Jewish Science, making her the first Jewish woman in the U.S. with her own pulpit, even though she was never ordained a rabbi.

Social Justice Reminder

Please remember to register to vote. If you have had any changes that may affect your voting status, now is a good time to get your information updated. Your vote matters!





2023 Performances

Mother's Day Concert Laurel Zucker & Marie Schwartz (Flutes)

Sheng-Yuan Kuan (Piano) Sunday, May 14 at 3PM

Muse Duo Concert

Collin Holloway and Luke Benedict Saturday, May 20

Piano Concert in support of Ukraine

Anastasiya Naplekova and Lindsay Garritson Saturday, May 27

Ann Hampton Callaway's Love and Let Love:

A Pride Celebration featuring

Ann Hampton Callaway, singer/songwriter by Café Society Pride Series Saturday, June 3

New River Orchestra Concert

Sunday, July 30

Play by the Lesbian Thespians

The Gospel According to Jesus. Queen of Heaven Friday, August 18

Organ and Piano Concert

Barbara Ramcharitar and Jihong Park-Adams Saturday, September 30

Marie Schwartz, flutist

Sunday, 1 October

Judy Gold, Comedian

Saturday, October 21

GENVAS Production

Seth Sikes and Nicolas King Friday, October 27

The 701 Club with Sister Helen Holy

Saturday, November 18

2023 - 2024

The 2023 - 2024 Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts performances will be announced on June 1, 2023. 16 Performances Scheduled! Series Tickets go on sale 15 June, 2023

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> The Cupboard - Kosher Pantry Feeding South Florida

Fort Lauderdale Seventh-Day Adventist Church Gateway Terrace Apartments

> Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida Happening Out TV Network

Homeless Outreach - Hollywood

Latinos Salud Medflo (ALF)

Opera Fusion

Our Fund

The Pantry of Broward Paradise Manor (ALF)

Presidential Place (ALF)

Pride Center

Project Lifeline (United Way)

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The Residences at Equality Park SAGE

Salvation Army - Fort Lauderdale Chapter South Florida Hunger Coalition TLC Little Free Pantry Unlimited Healthcare Williamsburg Landing (ALF) Women in Distress

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