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Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme - Walking Home in the Dark

October 15th 2023

All Are Welcome!



Service of Gathering

Welcome

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins, Senior Minister
Rev Dr Robert Griffin, Executive Minister

Announcement Rev Dr Anne Atwell
Minister of Connections

Please rise as you are able.

Introit Shine on Me

Shine on me, shine on me, let the light from the lighthouse shine on me.

Shine on me, shine one me, let the light from the lighthouse shine one me. (2x)

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: This is the day that has been made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Service of Praise

Crucifer - Deacon Lydya Chapman

Processional Hymn Light of Christ Within Us (©2006 Durrell Watkins Tune: Salve Regina)

Hail Living Well of Hope and Love, Alleluia!
Hail Soaring Eagle, Lighting Dove, Alleluia!
Tongues of Flame and Rushing Wind,
Oil of gladness, souls you mend.
Grant us grace and mercy lend,
Light of Christ, Light of Christ within us.

Hail Rainbow Presence large and bright, Alleluia!
Hail Cloud of day and Fire of night, Alleluia!
For the Sun with Healing Wing
Saints and angels dance and sing;
To the Light our dreams we bring,
Light of Christ, Light of Christ, Light of Christ within us.

Hail Helper, Healer, Holy One, Alleluia!
Hail Yahweh's prophet, Mary's son, Alleluia!
Sing with us all cherubim;
Dance with us all seraphim,
Proclaim with canvass, stage and hymn
Light of Christ, Light of Christ within us!

Opening Litany

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

One: The ancient refrain "Lord have mercy" isn't petitioning an angry deity to be less harsh toward us. The Greek and Latin words for "mercy" mean kindness, compassion, or benevolence...which are, of course, expressions of love. We are acknowledging that God is goodness itself, perfect, all-inclusive, unconditional, and everlasting love, and realizing that to be true, we are asking for divine goodness to be made manifest in our lives as joy, peace, comfort, strength, and wisdom.

And so it is we pray today: Lord have mercy. *All: Lord have mercy.*

One: Christ have mercy All: Christ have mercy.

One: Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy. Amen

Prophetic Witness

God is Calling

God is calling through the whisper of the Spirit's deepest sighs; through the thrill of sudden beauties that can catch us by surprise.

Flash of lightning, crash of thunder; hush of stillness, rush of wonder: God is calling – can you hear?

God is calling through the voices of our neighbors' urgent prayers: through their longing for redemption and for rescue from despair.

Place of hurt or face of needing; strident cry or silent pleading: God is calling – can you hear?

Please be seated.

Sunshine Cathedral Clarion Call
Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins

Sung Response

God is calling through the music of sublime and human arts: through the hymns of earth and angels, and the carols of our hearts.

Lift of joy and gift of singing; days and nights our praises ringing: God is calling – can you hear?

Service of Proclamation

The wisdom of the Tao te Ching Rev Kevin Tisdol - 9AM Auntie Maim - 10:30AM

"The path into the light seems dark, the path forward seems to go back, the direct path seems long, true power seems weak, true purity seems tarnished,

true steadfastness seems changeable, true clarity seems obscure, the greatest art seems unsophisticated, the greatest love seems indifferent, the greatest wisdom seems childish."

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

Please rise as you are able.

A Reading from the 4th Gospel (John 12:31-36, NRSV) Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out.

And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the [Human One] must be lifted up? Who is this [Human One]?" Jesus said to them, "The light is in you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

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

Please be seated.

The Anthem

The Sound of Silence By Paul Simon Performed by Gabe Salazar

Homily

Walking Home in the Dark Rev Dr Durrell Watkins - 9AM Rev Robert W. Lee IV - 10:30AM

Altar Call and Anointing

Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus

Light of God in Me (Tune: Woodworth ["Just As I Am"] (Words: ©2012, Durrell Watkins)

Just as I am, I'm meant to be God is my life eternally And Love divine embraces me O Light of God in me... in me.

Just as I am I'm whole and free Love, hope and joy are all for me And Truth affirms my dignity O Light of God in me...in me.

Just as I am healed, prospered and blessed Grace frees me now from strife and stress and I receive Life's very best O Light of God in me..in me.

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 Robert Griffin

Stewardship Prayer

Linda Edin 9AM / Rick Brown 10:30AM

One: Because we value our community and believe in our inspired mission, because we want every person to live with hope and joy, and because we know that even a little can mean a lot, we participate in the Sacrament of Sharing, the joyful giving of resources meant to help more and more people discover that they are God's miracle and not God's mistake.

All: We give what we can and do so with love. Every dime and every dollar given with the intention to bless others will make a difference in someone's life. This brings us joy, and in this way, we worship. God bless our gifts to faithful service, for the sake of your love. Amen.

Offering Music Berceuse, by R. Gliere Performers: Laura Gonzalez, violin, Ben Figgs, cello

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

We Remember

 Robert Twiggs
 10/16/1995
 Bernard Weiser
 10/18/2014

 Judi McDonald
 10/16/1999
 Jim Murphy
 10/20/1994

 Alvin Fletcher
 10/17/1998
 Robert Graham
 10/20/2010

 Pompano Bill
 10/17/2018
 Rusty Esposito
 10/21/1992

Eucharistic Intentions

Minister of the Altar: Rev Kurt Krieger

One: We celebrate this Eucharist to the glory of God and with special intentions for the Sunshine Cathedral's local and global congregations.

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.

Intercessions

Rev Kevin Tisdol

One: Heaven is where God is, and God is everywhere, so we are always in God's presence, always in Heaven.

In this moment, we ask for Heavenly riches to meet our every need.

We affirm blessings for the Sunshine Cathedral, for all who are on our prayer list, for all who worship with us today, and for all who are on our hearts.

We now allow spiritual Truth to out-picture in the world of experience.

Miracles abound; and with people all over the world we pray,

All: May peace prevail on earth.

One: And so it is, that we now join hearts and hands together, if you are comfortable doing so, as we conintue our prayers as Jesus Modeled...

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.

Sung Response

Cup of blessing that we share, does it not our faith declare? Is it not in gratitude, that we take this sacred food?

As one body, we are fed, Love we share, one Cup, one Bread.

Is it not one bread we break? Of God's goodness all partake.

Casting out distrust and fear, let us love with hearts sincere! One by God's design are we: let us live in unity.

Invitation to Communion

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

One: These are the gifts of God for all the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion is Shared

The ushers will direct you row by row to come forward for Communion. If you would like a communion kit to serve yourself communion in your seat, tell your usher. "Taste and see that God is good."



Communion Song How Could Anyone (STJ 1053)

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.

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister of the Altar: 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 Ain't No Mountain High Enough

Commissioning

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

Postlude Barbara Ramcharitar

HAVE A BLESSED week ahead

SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING...

Lynne; CJ; Steven; Wendy & Victor; Belinda's friend; MM; Marsha; Madeline; Carlton; Kewona BC; Liz E.; Cameron; Aprelle; Lynne; Angel; John K.; Ron & Teresa; Pat; Maureen; J.; Onjuli; Joe Anna; Patty; Erin; MM; Kevin & Kellie; people of Morocco; Doreen M. (of blessed memory); John S.; Dave; Mitzi; Katy; Laura; Joe; Michael; Peter; Albert; Carol J.; Brian; Ellen; Susan; Courtney; John S.; Brad S.; Miguel; LG; Tim; Gig B.;

Roberto E.; Nana; Brian; Nick; Mark; Bill; Virginia; Aaron; Lewis family; John S.; Cathy & Karen; Jon; Jeannie; Willito; Cruz sisters; Quico; Henry;

Vicky T.; Lenae B; S.D. & K.W.; WL; Rob S; Peggy C; Roxanne R; David W; Laswaun W; Joanne F.; MLF; Anita; Raymont A.; Bary; DonnaChristine; efforts to avoid government shut down; Hermine;

John; Rebecca; Jeff; Robert; Aaron; Kenneth; Blanche; Virginia A.; Susset & Kim; Brian; Troy & Winnie; Victor; Tom;

Israelis & Palestinians; all who work for peace and justice; those who are incarcerated; The people of Ukraine; Drag performers; Trans and non-binary youth; Troy & Phillip; Don E.; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; Global Justice Institute; DSFI; INTA; the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral; members & friends of Sunshine Cathedral; all who are part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship

LET US PRAY...

Trusting in a Higher Power,

I affirm blessings for each of these committed to the care of our prayers. We are forever loved and divinely embraced. We are all part of a glorious Whole:

we are each individualized expressions of a loving, omnipresent Life. May each person now experience peace and joy. 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

Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Financial Data Snapshot: 8 October 2023

\$12,043,96 Weekly Generosity Income Needed Generosity Income Received \$7,687.55 Our Abundance and/or (Need) (\$4,356.41)Per Capita Giving \$19.47 SC Square Worship Services 256 SC Global Fellowship 198.419 People at SC Square (Weekly Avg) 5.900 Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached 888

> Detailed information located at SunshineCathedral.org Any questions email: Robert@SunshineCathedral.net

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In the spirit of giving, we thank you for your generosity!

From the Pastor's Desk

Pastoral Response to Attack on Israel by Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins (Senior Minister, Sunshine Cathedral)

My dear friends,

I have spent days in prayer trying to decide what my pastoral response should be regarding Hamas' October 7th attack on Israel.

From the Pastor's

Of course, my first reaction to the attack was horror, dismay, and concern for people I care about in Israel, and people I love at home who have deep connections to Israel.

The truth is, I love Israel; not for some doomsday fantasy promoted by fundamentalist Christians, and not because I agree with every policy of the Israeli government, but simply because Israel is a beautiful place, alive with traditions and stories that are millennia old, and it is populated with people who love their land and their history of resilience. It is a place sacred to multiple faith traditions. It also stands alone as a democracy in that region.

When Israel is attacked, my loved ones suffer. When Israel is attacked, people I know and care about are put at risk. When Israel is attacked, some piece of my own spiritual identity is wounded.

The Hamas attack on Israel is not a matter of legitimate politics or philosophical differences. What happened to Israel was a brutal attack on civilians, on Americans, on children and the elderly, it included kidnapping, murder, and threats of more to come.

I affirm the dignity and sacred value of all the residents of Israel: Israeli, Palestinian, Jewish, Muslim, Catholic, Protestant, Eastern Orthodox, Druze, Baha'i, and others.

I will never say that any government's politics are beyond criticism; even democracies founded on noble principles can, and do, and will make mistakes. But Hamas is not a voice of democracy and its brutal attack isn't a protest, isn't righteous resistance; the attack was cowardly, vicious, and indefensible.

I always want to balance heedfulness with hope, the prophetic with the pastoral, passion with peace, and leadership with love. And after days of intense prayer, I believe my response is motivated by and in alignment with justice-love.

I say without reservation that Hamas' attack is diabolical and condemnable.

I call on people of faith to pray for the healing of Israel and the peace of Jerusalem.

And regardless of faith practices or identities, let us all hold the victims of the recent attack in our hearts.

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PRAYERS FOR PEACE

"O God! O our master! You are eternal life and everlasting peace by Your essence and attributes. The everlasting peace is from You and it returns to You. O our Sustainer! Grant us the life of true peace and usher us into the abode of peace. O Glorious and Bounteous One! You are blessed and sublime. Amen." (Muslim)

"Come, let us go to the mountain of the Lord, that we may walk the paths of the Most High. And we shall beat our swords into ploughshares and our spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. And none shall be afraid, for the mouth of the Lord of Hosts has spoken." (Jewish)

"Oh Lord God almighty, may there be peace in celestial regions. May there be peace on earth...

May all beneficent beings bring peace to us.

May thy Vedic Law propagate peace all through the world. May all things be a source of peace to us. And may thy peace itself, bestow peace on all, and may that peace come to me also." (Hindu)

"Know that we attain God when we love, and only that victory endures in consequence of which no one is defeated." (Sikh)

"O God! Thou art kind to all. Thou hast provided for all, dost shelter all, conferrest life upon all. Thou hast endowed each and all with talents and faculties, and all are submerged in the Ocean of Thy Mercy.

O Thou kind Lord! Unite all. Let the religions agree and make the nations one, so that they may see each other as one family and the whole earth as one home. May they all live together in perfect harmony.

O God! Raise aloft the banner of the oneness of humanity." (Baha'i)

WICKED MANORS TEAMS NEEDED – We are looking for 8-10 people to staff a booth for Wicked Manors. There will be two shifts, four hours each, 4-5 people per shift. If you are interested in representing Sunshine Cathedral on the Drive on Tuesday, October 31st, contact Rev. Dr. Robert Griffin (robert@sunshinecathedral.org). This is a fun and easy fundraiser for the Cathedral (we're paid a percent of revenue from tickets sold at the booth) and a chance for Sunshine Cathedral people to interact with the public.

ANNUAL FALL HARVEST CAMPAIGN – This is the season we put aside money for our Fall Harvest Campaign. Our goal is for every member and friend of Sunshine Cathedral to give \$99 above and beyond their normal gifts on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. By putting aside as little as a dollar a day, we can easily reach that goal. The Harvest Campaign is an easy way to help our ministries thrive. Please join us in committing to giving an extra \$99 in the Fall, and we can start preparing for that right now.

QUEER GOD SQUAD – is a topical panel show produced by Happening Out and featuring Sunshine Cathedral ministers. Watch it daily on the social media and streaming venues where you watch other Sunshine Cathedral programming. When you see it, post it on your social media and tag others. We want to get our message out far and wide. You can do the same with our Sunday services... post and tag. We are trying to reach the world with truly good news.

UPCOMING TREATS -

October 21, super funny lady Judy Gold will be performing (Tickets available at SunshineCathedral.org/arts).

Then, October 28, The New Belters featuring Nicolas King & Seth Sikes (NYC Cabaret Stars) will be performing

(Tickets available at SunshineCathedral.org/arts).

SPECIAL GUEST – Today we are joined by the Reverend Robert W. Lee IV. Rev. Lee is a pastor and public theologian in North Carolina. He came to national prominence with



his confrontation of his collateral ancestor. Confederate General Robert E. Lee. In 2017, Rev. Lee appeared on the MTV Video Music Awards and ABC's The View. He has preached from such pulpits as The Old North Church in Boston, Harvard's Memorial Church, Rockefeller Chapel at the University of Chicago, Anshe Emet Synagogue, the Historic Ebenezer Church in Atlanta, and the American Cathedral in Paris. Rob testified before Congress in 2020 and participated in the 2021 Inaugural Prayer Service for President Joe Biden. He's the author of four books with a fifth on the way. Most recently, Rob served for two years as Senior Pastor of Unifour Church, a predominately LGBTQ+ Church in North Carolina. While serving that church he was licensed as a foster parent and adopted his two children he met in the foster care ministry of the church. Today, he lives in Statesville, North Carolina with his wife Stephanie. and their two daughters. Find out more at www.roblee4. com. Rev. Lee is a graduate of Duke Divinity School and is pursuing a doctorate degree from the Pacific School of Religion.

JOIN THE GREEN TEAM - The Garden Team is asking all who can to join them on Saturday, 21 October for a major Grounds Cleanup of Sunshine Cathedral Square- no experience necessary, OJT provided. Clean up starts at 8 AM. Focus clean up areas will be the Prayer Garden, Fence Line, and the Sanctuary. We need a group of 25 to make this happen and help to keep our Square First Impression Ready. Please contact Ron or Bob at rcouture2@hotmail. com or Pastor Robert.

JOIN THE BLUE VEST TEAM - Sunshine Cathedral Performing Arts Volunteers -- We are in need of volunteers to help with Onsite Ticket Sales, Ticket Scanners, Concession Helpers, Greeters, Reset Team, Parking Attendants, VIP Area Host, Tech Assistance (Lights, Sounds, Video). A wonderful perk to volunteering, you get to see a great show! This could an important new area of ministry for those looking to get involved or looking for a new ministry to participate in. To volunteer please contact Pastor Robert - Robert@SunshineCathedral.org

JOIN THE RED VEST TEAM - Sunday morning Worship Volunteers are needed - If you would like to give a little extra time on Sunday by volunteering as a Greeter or Usher, please contact Peggy Brereton at peggybrereton@gmail.com or Michael Karban at mkarban1@aol.com

WHAT YOU MAY HAVE MISSED THIS WEEK

- On Wednesday, the Sunshine Cathedral Foundation, in partnership with Our Fund, FLITE Center, SunServe, and a couple of major donors, announced the inauguration of the Sunshine Pride House, a safe landing and transitional housing program for LGBTQ+ young adults. Sunshine Pride House will provide housing as well as clinical and social services for at risk young people in the LGBTQ+ community.
- On Thursday, writer, activist, former teacher, and husband of Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg, Chasten Buttigieg offered a round table discussion with LGBTQ+ youth followed by a presentation and book signing for the general public at Sunshine Cathedral.
- Today, we are pleased to be joined by Robert W. Lee, a collateral descendant of Robert E. Lee, who is an activist for anti-racism and an ally to the LGBTQ+ community.

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

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

October 15: St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582) — Mystic. Raised in a wealthy Spanish family, Teresa became a Carmelite nun. In an age in which women's voices went unheard, she became a towering figure — author, religious reformer, founder of 17 convents. As a woman who based her authority on mystical visions, she fell under the suspicion of the Inquisition. Her best-known work, The Interior Castle, describes the soul as a castle, and the journey of prayer that leads from meditation to mystical union with Christ.

October 16: Archbishop Thomas Cranmer (d. 1556)—Creator of the Book of Common Prayer. During a time of political and religious turmoil, as Archbishop of Canterbury Cranmer was instrumental in the English Reformation and the institution of the Church of England. Under Queen Mary, a devout Catholic, he was declared a heretic and burned at the stake. His legacy is carried in the Book of Common Prayer, the beauty of its liturgical language and its influence

on Christian and prayer and worship even to our own time. October 17: Florence Scovel Shinn (1871 – 1940) – an actor, illustrator, and writer. She wrote mainly about metaphysical spirituality. She believed that "Owing to the vibratory power of words, whatever [one] voices, [one] begins to attract." Louise Hay once acknowledged Shinn as one of her early spiritual influences.

October 18: St. Luke the Evangelist — Luke was the only writer to attempt to tell the story of not only the life of Jesus (the Gospel of Luke), but the founding of the early Church (the book of Acts). He was a Gentile who never met Jesus, but tradition says he was a physician and a later companion of Paul. St. Luke is patron of physicians and artists.

October 20: Bro. Wayne Teasdale (1945 – 2004) - a Catholic monk best known as a proponent of mutual understanding between the world's religions, for an interfaith dialogue which he termed "interspirituality". He was also an active campaigner on issues of social justice.

October 21: Hilma af Klint (1862 - 1944) - Swedish lesbian spiritualist and abstract artist. She was inspired by Theosophy.

Dr. Lucile Frederick (1902 – 1994) – ordained by Irwin Gregg, Frederick was awarded a Doctor of Divine Science degree in 1958. For over 20 years she was the Director of the Divine Science Educational Center in Denver.

Harvest Sunday I am Thankful For . . .

Rev Dr Anne Atwell - Sunshine Cathedral Volunteers.

Rick Brown - Good Health & Church Family.

Bary Clifton - Husband, Physical Therapy & Church Family.

Phil Cordell - Amazing Circle of Friends.

Allan Dewes - Sunshine Cathedral Church Family & Friends.

Robert McCormick - Bary Clifton & Church Family.

Austin Lee - Family & Friends.

Glenn Lengyel - My husband, Martin, our good health and the Sunshine Cathedral.

Steven McGehee

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins & Rev Dr Robert Griffin - Our Family & Sunshine Cathedral's Powerful Witness.



BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SUNSHINE CATHEDRAL PERFORMING ARTS SERIES

As we prepare to launch our 15th Season of the Performing Arts Series, October 2023 - April 2024, with over 25 performances, we invite you to consider becoming a member of the Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts Guild. You can find a list of currently scheduled shows, and more are being added, at SunshineCathedral.org and select Performing Arts.

Sunshine Circle - \$25.00 - Name appears in program book.

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4 VIP Tickets for all shows. Accesses to Pre-Show Gatherings, when applicable. VIP Seating. VIP Reserved Parking. Name listed in program. Organization/Business Ad in Pre-Show Video

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Email Pastor Robert at Robert@SunshineCathedral.net for more information.



Sunshine Cathedral Center for the Performing Arts 2023 - 2024 Performances

> Judy Gold, Comedian Saturday, 21 October - 8PM

The Belters featuring Nicolas King & Seith Sikes Hosted by Genvas – Venetian Arts Society Saturday, 28 Oct - 8PM

Lesbian Thespians presents *Cloudburst* Sunday, 12 November - 4PM

The 701 Club with Sister Helen Holy Elenor Roseafelt as Musical Director (18+) Saturday, 18 November - 8PM

> Anthony Nunziata, Vocalist Saturday, 9 December- 8PM

Seraphic Fire Thursday, 14 December

Varla Jean Merman's Stand by Your Drag (18+) Saturday, 3 January - 8PM

Duo Formosa
Catherine Lan, Concert Pianist
Huifang Chen, Violinist
Saturday, 6 January - 8PM

Tributes
Joe Posa as Joan Rivers & Seith Sikes (18+)
Saturday, 13 January - 8PM

Emmanuel Vass, UK Pianist Hosted by Genvas – Venetian Arts Society Thursday, 18 January - 7PM

> **Tom Goss – Musical Concert** Friday, 19 January - 8PM

Ross Mathews, Comedian Saturday, 20 January - 8PM

Alex Roitman Tango Ensemble Sunday, 21 January - 6PM **Christopher Hamblin -** *Here in the South* Friday, 26 January - 8PM

Alexander Zenoz and the Birds of Paradise
Hosted by ArtsUnited

Saturday, 27 January - 8PM

Latrice Royale (18+) Saturday, 10 February - 8PM

Mark Hayes, Musical Concert Sunday, 11 February - 6PM

Matt Alber, Musical Concert Friday, 16 February - 8PM

Miss Richfield, 1981 in Bad Advice (18+) Saturday, 17 February - 8PM

R&B Meets Pop, then Opera - Hosted by ArtsUnited Friday, 23 February - 8PM

> Anne Steele – Musical Concert Saturday, 24 February

Hued Song Sunday, 25 February at 6PM

Caroline Rhea, Comedian Saturday, 2 March - 8PM

An Evening with Levi Kreis - Hosted by ArtsUnited Saturday, 16 March - 8PM

> Amy Armstrong – Musical Concert Saturday, 23 March - 8PM

> > Hued Song March: TBA

Renegade Music & Concerts presents ...And Scene! Friday, 19 April - 8PM

> David Maiocco - Liberace Tribute Show Saturday, 27 April - 8PM

Anastasiya Naplekova & Lindsay Garritson Concert for Ukraine Relief Efforts Sunday, 5 May - 7PM

> Master Chorale of South Florida Considering Matthew Shepard Friday, May 31 & June 1

> > Dana Goldberg - TBA



Christmas Holiday Concerts at Sunshine Cathedral

Sunshine Cathedral Holiday Concert Saturday, 2 December - 7PM

> **NOVA Singers** Friday, 8 December - 8PM

The Girl Choir of South Florida Sunday, 10 December - 5PM

Seraphic Fire Holiday Concert Thursday, 14 December - 8PM

Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida Saturday, 16 December - 8PM

> **Broward Women's Chorus** Sunday, 17 Decemer - 7PM

Christmas Holiday Worship at Sunshine Cathedral

Sunday, 24 December

Christmas Morning Worship - 10:30AM

Christmas Eve Services 7PM & 9PM

Food Sharing Ministry Expansion Drive

Thanks to a very generous donor and member of the Sunshine Cathedral, for the month of October, we are launching a \$25,000.00 Match Drive for the Food Sharing Ministry.

Funds raised will go directly toward expanding food storage capacity for our Food Sharing Ministry and in return allow two significant opportunities:

- 1. Assist more individuals that experience Food Insecurities.
- 2. Allow our Food Sharing Ministry an opportunity to purchase food items in bulk at a lower fee.

Our Food Sharing Ministry, in its 7th year, includes three areas:

Loaves and Fishes: is the Sunday morning food collection of non-perishable food items used to replenish our Food Pantries. Loaves and Fishes food collection is held on the first Sunday of every month and special food collections also occur during Lent and Advent.

Brown Bag: provides small bags of food to various locations and organizations around Broward County. The Brown Bag is either a lunch bag or snack bag depending on the needs of the recipient. Approximately 450 – 550 Brown Bags are assembled every Wednesday.

Food Pantry: provides a grocery bag of pantry staples, bread, pastries, fresh produce, meat, milk, and other food (and non-food) items to those living with food insecurity in our local community. The Food Pantry is open every Wednesday from 10:45am until approximately 12:30pm and assists over 300 individuals each week. No documentation is required in order to receive food.

Project Overview:

\$55,622.35 - Estimated Project Cost (Container purchase, permits, install and electrical) (\$15,270.00) - Already raised via personal donations and grants \$40,352.35 = To complete the project (-/+)

So, with the generous donated match, we need your help to move this project to the next step. No donation is too small or large.

For question regarding the Food Sharing Ministry, please contact Rev Dr Anne Atwell Anne@SunshineCathedral.org

For question regarding donating, please contact Rev Dr Robert Griffin Robert@SunshineCathedral.org

If using a check – please make payable to the Sunshine Cathedral Foundation – Note Section: Food Container Or using the link located at Sunshine Cathedral.org, select Give and scroll down to 'Support Our Food Sharing Ministry" and click the image. Thank you so much for your support!



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Latinos Salud Medflo (ALF)

Opera Fusion

Our Fund

The Pantry of Broward

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