Welcome Home



Today's Theme **Truth Telling**Sunday, January 17th 2021

October 2020 Began Our 50th Church Year Long Anniversary Celebration October 1971 - 2021

Sunshine Cathedral Sunday Morning A Positive Worship Experience America's Queer Church for All

Service of Gathering

Welcome

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins & Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Announcements Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Please rise as you are able.

Opening 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

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring. ring with the harmonies of liberty: Let our rejoicing rise. high as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the harsh past has taught us. Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us: Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died; Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet. come to the place for which our people sighed? We have come over a way that with tears has been watered. We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered, Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years. God of our silent tears. God who has brought us thus far on the way: God, who by your might, led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met you, Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, forget you: Shadowed beneath your hand, may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land. **Opening Prayer**

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

One: Save your people, God, and bless your inheritance; govern and uphold us now and always. Day by day we bless you; we praise your names forever. God, show us your love and mercy; for we put our trust in you. In you is our hope; and we shall never hope in vain. On this day and at this moment, we pray for our nation. We ask God to heal us, to show us the way to healing, to show us the way to be one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. The blessing of God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer be on us and on this nation and on the entire human family and all of creation this moment and forevermore.

Response

19 Chimes Teresa Flores

Moment of Silence

All: Amen

Please be seated.

Service of Proclamation

Wisdom of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rev Kevin Tisdol

"I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant."

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

Wisdom of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rev Dr Anne Atwell

"We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope."

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

Wisdom of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rev Dr Robert Griffin

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?"

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

Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able.

Sung Response

In the life of Omnipresence do I dwell, 'tis above, around, within me, all is well; life divine forever guiding all my ways, life divine forever filing all my days.

The Gospel according to Luke (4.24-30) Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Jesus said, "Truly, no prophet is accepted in his or her own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But he passed through the midst of them and went away.

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Prayer Rev Kevin Tisdol One: May we be a prophetic witness to the world, in Jesus' name.

All: Amen.
Please be seated.

The Anthem Up to the Mountain (MLK Song)

By: Patty Griffin

Please rise as you are able.

Inspired by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. s final speech Performed By Tara Sperry

Homily Truth Telling
Rev Dr Durrell Watkisn. Senior Minister

Rev Di Dulleli Walkisti, Seliloi Willister

Bless You for the Good That's In You

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

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

Song of Response

Sign of Peace

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.

Service of Sacraments Sacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings)

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Stewardship Thought
"I want you to be the first in generosity."
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Offering Prayer

Divine Love, through me, blesses and multiplies all that I have, all that I give, and all that I receive. Thank you, God. Amen.

Offering Music

Make Them Hear YouBy Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty
Performed By Sara Burns

Doxology Rise as you are able.

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

Sacrament of Hospitality

Eucharistic Intentions

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

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Bud Adams Rick Stotts Kirby Sellers	01/18/1994	David Wehrle Johnathan Stewart Bob Cammer	01/20/2008 01/21/1987 01/21/1990
Steve Lather	01/19/1994	Dennis Harrington	01/21/1990 01/21/1990 01/21/1990
Tony Yaxley Viola Crotts	01/19/1997	Jay Trickey Alvin Miller	01/21/1990

Rainbow Candle Lit Today

In Memory and Honor of all Sunshine Cathedral Members and Friends Affected or Infected by COVID-19

by
The Sunshine Cathedral Staff

Rainbow Candle Lit Today

In Memory of Kirby Wayne Sellers

by Pat Neely

Intercessions Rev Kevin Tisdol

Prayer of Divine Mercy

Loving Creator, we remember the wisdom and love, Peace and integrity of your blessed anointed one – our Lord Jesus Christ

Who taught of your love for us and also the whole world

For the sake of your infinite goodness please smile upon us and on the whole world.

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Holy God, holy mighty One, holy immortal One Give blessings to us and to the whole world. Holy God, holy mighty One, holy immortal One Give blessings to us and to the whole world. One: Mother-Father God, we affirm blessings for all who are on the Cathedral's prayer list and for all who are on our hearts. We trust you to lead, guide, and direct each of us in the ways of happiness, well-being, and right action. We pray for those who hold authority in the nations of the world that they may be guided by wisdom and motivated by a love of justice and peace. We pray for our departed loved ones, (+) let light perpetual shine upon them. And with people all over the world we pray –

All: May peace prevail on earth.

We offer these prayers in the name of the Galilean prophet who taught us to pray as we now sing:

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 Dr Durrell Watkins

One: This do in memory of me; eat now this broken bread. This is my life from death set free here on my table spread.

This do in memory of me; drink now this cup I said. This shows my love for all to see, here on my table spread.

All: We praise your living memory, remembering all you said. Your words and life have set us free, here through your table spread.

Invitation to Communion Rev Dr Anne Atwell

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

Communion is Shared

Final Communion Song

For Everyone Born, A Place at the Table

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 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

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

Final Song

Higher Love

Comissioning

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

Postlude

Barbara Ramcharitar



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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

Please hold these in the power of loving prayer:

Centering Thought:

"The All-Knowing Mind of God contains the answer to every problem which confronts this country."

Ernest Holmes

We pray for the following ~

Melody; Ericka and Darrell; Josette's family; Shawn and Larry; Pat; CJ; Brettlynn & Amanda; Carol W.; PJ; MLF; Anita; Stan; Julie; Amanda; Ann; Champion; Margarita; Lynda; Steve E. & family; Zena (of blessed memory); DonnaChristine; Maralee; Vickie (of blessed memory); Shawna; Mona; Bob W.; medical practitioners; those who have tested positive for COVID19; children detained at the U.S. border; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; Troy P.; Global Justice Institute; DSFI; the Sunshine Cathedral;

LET US PRAY

We call upon Mother Wisdom to guide us in times of uncertainty.

We call upon Guiding Angels to lead us in the ways of harmony and well-being.

We call upon the Lord of Life to heal bodies, relationships, minds, and communities.

We call upon Divine Love to comfort the weary, soothe the hurting, and renew hope within all hearts.

These prayers we offer in the name of the great teacher who said, "Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." Amen.

REMEMBER: Prayers can be submitted via Sunshine Cathedral.org or by emailing any SC clergyperson. You can hear a prayer at anytime by calling 954.462.2004 (press 6)

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SunBurst News

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY following 10:30 worship service

We encourage all members to participate if possible. The meeting is usually brief. This year there is a proposed bylaw change (we are proposing lowering the number of board members from 10 + the Senior Minister to 8 + the Senior Minister). The rest of the meeting will be sharing reports (the health of the Cathedral and plans for the immediate future) and there will be a time for Q&A.

DAILY SPIRITUAL PROGRAMMING – Christians & Cocktails (Mondays, 6 pm EST Facebook live), Share in the Chair (Wednesdays, 6 pm Facebook), Sunday worship (Sundays at 10:30 am on Facebook and YouTube), and Midday Prayer (6 days per week, Mon-Sat at Noon EST on Facebook, Thursday MDP includes a brief homily). Ask about A Course in Miracles via Zoom and our community in Second Life. Also join the Sunshine Cathedral New Thought Community on Facebook for short, encouraging messages, affirmations, and prayers. Pray, study, grow with daily reflection, discussion, and prayer.

PRAYER REQUESTS – send prayer requests to prayer@ sunshinecathedral.net. You or the person you are praying for will be added to the prayer list for 4 weeks, the prayer list is shared with a team of almost 50 trained prayer chaplains, and it is published weekly (no last names or conditions named) in the Sun Burst for the entire faith community to hold in prayer. The pastoral staff meets weekly and prays for those who are on the prayer list and the board of directors includes the people on the prayer list in their monthly meeting opening prayer. For additional prayer, call 954.462.2004 x 6 to hear our "Dial-A-Prayer" (updated weekly).

BOLD JUSTICE – was established in 2007 with a mission to powerfully address community issues in Broward County through a self-sustaining, interfaith, interracial, proactive organization rooted in religious congregations. Last year BOLD Justice accomplished getting permanent generators into all Nursing homes and assisted Living facilities. We continue to work with Sheriff Gregory Tony and the newly elected Broward State Attorney Mr. Harold Pryor to improve the Civil Citation Program not just for our youth but adults as well. Keeping individuals out of jail not only saves the county money but also allows young adults to continue their lives without a criminal record for a non-violent offense. State Attorney Harold Pryor has committed to attend the next BOLD Justice Nehemiah Action event.

The homeless population in Broward county has exceeded 3,000 and we are working to expand PSH (Permanent Supportive Housing) to get more affordable housing. At our community problems assembly in October Commissioner Dale Holness committed to spearhead an effort to get the county to provide the funding necessary to expand PSH by 200 units. Three other commissioners

who were present that evening committed to support his efforts. Commissioner Holness has committed to attend the Nehemiah Action.

The Nehemiah Action will be March 15 via zoom and we need all of our voices to be heard. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us.

February 3rd from 7-8pm we will have a zoom call to begin preparing for the action. Reverend Durrell Watkins will be joining us.

February 23 @ 7:30pm we will have a Rally to announce which officials have committed to attend and what our requests to them will be. Again, this will be via zoom. As a member of BOLD Justice, Sunshine Cathedral is committed making all these things happen. We need your help. Please contact one of the Team Leaders and let us know if you will support Sunshine Cathedral in our mission to create Social Justice. Reverend Ren Bell (revrenwickbell@gmail.com), Stephen Manich (Stephen. manich@gmail.com), and Mary Fedoration (maryfed@comcast.net) are Team Leaders This is rewarding work and you can be part of solving issues in the county we call home.

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION & THE WORLD (by Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins)

Spirit of life, love, and liberty – we pray today for our nation that has been burdened with violence, division, bigotries, hatreds, fears, and suspicions for too long. Our country needs healing. Our country needs wisdom. Our country needs to seek the common good while assuring dignity, fair treatment, and equal opportunity for every individual who calls this nation home. May our better angels guide us forward. We pray also for the whole world which has been hurt and terrified by a global pandemic. The knowledge and resources exist, we know and affirm, to bring hope and renewed health to our homes, communities, and to every part of our world. This new year is still in its infancy, and so we are bold to hope for blessings throughout 2021. Let divine, healing love enfold our planet, and touch every individual on it. Amen.

THE PANDEMIC IS NOT OVER – so Sunshine Cathedral will continue to ask that you reserve your seat at Sunshinecathedral.org if you wish to worship onsite, and we insist that you wear a mask at all times while you are here. We can remain faithful and stay safe at the same time.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

January 19: H. B. Jeffery (1872 – 1954) - Studied with Malinda E. Cramer, Emma Curtis Hopkins and Thomas Troward. He worked with Emma Curtis Hopkins on High Mysticism, and taught courses based on Hopkins' work. His own books include Spirit of Prayer, Fruit of the Spirit, and Coordination. Jeffery taught, "God is the One Good. Thus goodwill is the Will of God manifest in [us]."

January 20: St. Sebastian (d. 288) – victimized by the persecutions of the Emperor Diocletian. Sebastian was "executed" by arrows, but somehow survived and was miraculously healed by a woman named Irene. When the newly revived Sebastian went to the emperor to confront him (feeling, apparently, immortal after his last brush with death), the emperor had him beaten to death on the spot. In art, Sebastian is often depicted as beautiful, athletic, nearly nude, pierced by arrows, taking joy in his faithfulness but also suffering agony because of his mistreatment. Gay men often identify with the paintings of Sebastian and relate the picture to their own life experiences.

January 21: St. Agnes (d. 304?)— Traditionally, a young teenager from a wealthy Roman family who refused to marry or to worship non-Christian deities. She was condemned first to brothel, and then to death.

January 22: Alexander Men (1935-1990)—Russian Orthodox priest and martyr. As Russia entered a phase of rapid change under Gorbachev, reactionary forces murdered him with an ax blow to his head while on his way to church.

Prayer Garden Remembrance Brick

The Prayer Garden with Remembrance Brick is located directly behind the Walt Lawrence & Stephen Lewis Center for Worship and the Arts.

The Prayer Garden is beautifully maintained by our wonderful volunteers that make up the Garden Team. They are generally on the campus each Saturday morning doing various work to maintain the Prayer Garden so that it is always accessible and attractive year round.

There are benches located in the Prayer Garden for those who wish to spend a little extra time. If you would like to dedicate an engraved brick in memory of someone, or if you have any questions or would like to place an order please contact Kevin Tisdol by email at Kevin@sunshinecathedral.net.

The donation to have an engraved brick placed in the Prayer Garden is \$100.00 per brick.

Upcoming!

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Captial Campaign

Sunshine Cathedral Food Pantry Open every Wednesday from
11AM – ?? or by appointment

No ID required. No income verification. No questions. No judgment.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Rev. Anne 954-462-2004 ext. 208

To make a donation to the Sunshine Cathedral Food Sharing Program, check out our website sunshinecathedral.org and click on the Food Sharing tab.

Sunshine Cathedral Financial Information

Donating to Sunshine Cathedral just got easier

Venmo or CashApp

Venmo - @SunshineCathedral

CashApp - \$SunshineCathedral

Test to Give - 954.399.7333

Financial Data Snapshot from 10 January

Weekly Generosity Income Needed \$12,419.77 Generosity Income Received \$11,781.71 Our Abundance and/or (Need) (\$638.06)

Per Capita Giving \$39.15

Worship Services 112
Online Virtual Resourcing 105,391

Detailed information located on the Cathedral website.



Sunshine Cathedral Online Schedule

Sunday Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live 10:30AM/EST - Sunday Worship

Monday - Friday: Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live Noon/EST - Midday Prayers

Monday
Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live
6PM/EST - 6:30PM/EST - Christians & Cocktails

Wednesday
Sunshine Cathedral Share in the Chair Facebook
Live - 6PM/EST - 6:30PM/EST

The Cathedral Staff

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Teresa Flores, Percussionist
Gary Lane, Assistant Organist
Edwin Neimann, Pianist
Cheryl Barth, Assistant Pianist
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Phil McChesney, Handbell Director
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Monthly Collection Programs

1st Sunday - Loaves & Fishes: Food Collection

3rd Sunday - Clothing Collection (For BG Hospital & Homeless)

Due to limited storage space, please bring items on designated Sundays only.

Sunshine Cathedral is not liable for any vehicle incident, including acts of nature, while attending any events.

Sunshine Cathedral

Two Sunday morning services 9:00am & 10:30am (Live Broadcast) Sunday 5:00pm in Second Life

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