

*Welcome Home*



*Today's Theme*

***For Goodness' Sake***

*Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 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**

*Count Your Blessing*

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

*Count your blessings, Name them one by one;  
Count your blessings, See what God has done;  
Count your blessings, Name them one by one;  
Count your many blessings, See What God has done.*

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

*Count your blessings, Name them one by one;  
Count your blessings, See what God has done;  
Count your blessings, Name them one by one;  
Count your many blessings, See What God has done.*

#### **Opening Prayer**

*Rev Dr Anne Atwell*

*One: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy names.*

#### **Sung Response**

*Amen. Amen. Amen, amen.  
Amen. Amen. Amen, amen.*

**Please be seated.**

#### **Service of Proclamation**

#### **Wisdom of Mary Wheeler Wilcox**

*Rev Dr Durrell Watkins*

*So many gods, so many creeds,  
So many paths that wind and wind,  
While just the art of being kind,  
Is all the sad world needs.*

*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 Wisdom of the Psalter (Psalm 90.1, 12-17)**

*Rev Dr Anne Atwell*

*God, it seems you've been our home forever... Oh! Teach us to live well! Teach us to live wisely and well! Come back, God—how long do we have to wait? - and treat your servants with kindness... Surprise us with love at daybreak; then we'll skip and dance all the day long. Make up for the bad times with some good times; we've seen enough evil to last a lifetime. Let your servants see what you're best at - the ways you [care for] and bless your children. And let the loveliness of our God rest on us, confirming the work that we do. Oh, yes. Affirm the work that we do!*

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

**Thanks be to God.**



## **Sacrament of Hospitality**

### **Eucharistic Intentions**

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

#### **We Remember**

Thelma Roberts	01/24/1984	Pete Fox	01/26/2004
Richard Altman	01/25/1994	Larry Reed	01/27/2002
Frank Servidio	01/25/1995	Carlos Hernandez	01/27/2014
James Gross	01/26/1993	CJ Ashton	01/28/2018
Michael Burgess	01/26/1996	Tony Roberti	01/30/1990
Jose Santiago	01/26/1997	Jerry Mitchell	01/30/2005

#### **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  
John G Hill  
January 29, 2014

by  
Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

#### **Intercessions**

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

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.  
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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 Durrell Watkins

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:**

"Eternal God...Help us to seek that which is high, noble, and Good." ~ Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**We pray for the following ~**

Brettlynn & Amanda; Carol W.; PJ; MLF; Anita; Stan; Julie; Amanda; Ann; Champion; Melody; CJ; Margarita; Lynda; Steve E. & family; Zena (of blessed memory); DonnaChristine; Maralee; Vickie; Shawna; Mona; Bob W.; Amy; Nancy; Alice; Mary; Barbara F. & family; Kirby (of blessed memory); 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**

*God our Mother, our Father, our Everlasting and dearest Friend:*

*Your love sustains us.*

*Your power propels us.*

*Your grace is equal to every need.*

*In times of unrest, or illness, or uncertainty, or discord, we are still one with you, essentially good, and the future has infinite possibilities.*

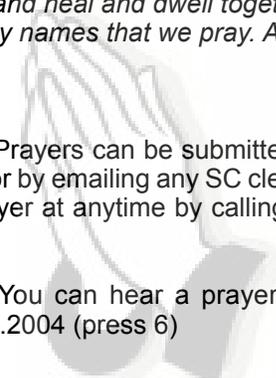
*May we dare to be our best selves.*

*May keep hope fresh within us.*

*May we thrive and heal and dwell together in peace; it's in your many names that we pray. Amen.*

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# SunBurst News

## **PRAYER FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** (by Rev. Dr. Durrell Watkins)

Dear God, bless this nation and our allies. Bless our troops and our civil servants. Bless our resources and those who call this country home, and please bless our leaders and help them lead us in the ways of peace, justice, and prosperity. 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.

**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.

**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).

## **SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

**January 24: St. Francis de Sales** (1567-1622)— Bishop of Geneva, a stronghold of Protestant Calvinism where Catholics were persecuted. Rather than respond defensively, Francis chose to demonstrate love and self-sacrifice in the face of hatred. He helped found an order in which women, rather than living separate cloistered lives, became engaged in helping people in need. He taught that the path to holiness was open to lay persons in the world, not just the clergy. He is known as the patron saint of writers.

**Jan 24: Florence Li-Tim Oi** (1907 – 1992) - the first woman ordained to the priesthood in the Anglican Communion (Hong Kong, Jan. 24, 1944).

**January 25: Apostle Paul** – Thirteen books of the New Testament claim to be written by the Apostle Paul (and a fourteenth was once thought to be written by Paul as well). Today, scholarly consensus is that Paul actually only wrote seven epistles that made it into the New Testament. His writings predate the gospels. The First Letter to the Thessalonians is thought to be the oldest book in the New Testament. According to scripture, Paul was a lay scholar who violently opposed the Jesus Movement but who on

the Damascus Road had a mystical experience of Christ and thereafter claimed to be an Apostle commissioned by the Risen Christ to call others to follow the Christ-Way.

**January 26: Ss. Timothy & Titus** – Companions of the Apostle Paul. The first and second letters to Timothy and the Letter to Titus in the New Testament are traditionally considered to be authored by Paul. We now believe that those three letters were written 50-100 years after the Apostle Paul's death.

**January 27: St. John Chrysostom** (349-407) - Archbishop of Constantinople, Early Church Father. He is known for the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom. The Eastern Orthodox, together with the Byzantine Catholics, hold him in special regard. In the Roman Catholic Church he is recognized as a Doctor of the Church. The Coptic Church also recognizes him as a saint.

**January 28: St. Thomas Aquinas** (1225 CE – 1274 CE) – Theologian and Dominican Friar. His Summa Theologiae was the first attempt to write a complete, systematic theology. He was influenced by the Greek philosophy of Aristotle.

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

**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](mailto:Kevin@sunshinecathedral.net).

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

**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](http://sunshinecathedral.org) and click on the Food Sharing tab.

**Sunshine Cathedral**

**Financial Data Snapshot from 17 January**

<i>Weekly Generosity Income Needed</i>	\$12,419.77
<i>Generosity Income Received</i>	\$4,637.57
<i>Our Abundance and/or (Need)</i>	(\$7,782.20)

<i>Per Capita Giving</i>	\$24.09
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<i>Worship Services</i>	132
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<i>Online Virtual Resourcing</i>	95,020
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Detailed information located on the Cathedral website.

**Donating to  
Sunshine Cathedral just got easier**

Online via GoToMeeting  
Every Monday at 1:00 PM

## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Each of us mourns the death of a loved one differently. Many folks find comfort in sharing the pain, anger, depression and other emotions they feel following a loss.

You must register to attend these meetings  
Visit: [SunServe.org/OnlineGroups](http://SunServe.org/OnlineGroups)




## The Cathedral Staff

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### Executive Leadership Team

Rev. Durrell Watkins, DMin, Senior Minister  
Rev. Robert Griffin, DMin, Executive Minister  
Rev. Anne Atwell, DMin, Minister of Connections  
Rev. Kevin Tisdol, Minister of Education  
Mrs. Sara Burns, Co-Director of Worship Arts & Vocalist  
Ms. Barbara Ramcharitar, Co-Director of Worship Arts & Organist

### Artists-in-Residence

Tara Sperry, Vocalist  
Paul Phillips, Bassist  
Teresa Flores, Percussionist  
Gary Lane, Assistant Organist  
Edwin Neimann, Pianist  
Cheryl Barth, Assistant Pianist  
Sam Miller, Videographer  
Phil McChesney, Handbell Director  
Kurt Litzenberger, Set/Sound & Lighting

### Support Ministries Leaders

Rev. BK Hipsher, DMin, Virtual Minister  
Rev. Kurt Krieger, Seasonal Members Chaplain  
Rev. Marian Cavagnaro, Hospice Chaplain  
Rev. Ren Bell, Hospice Chaplain  
Rev. Lynda Pantoja, Interfaith Spirituality  
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Rev. Nancy Davis, DD, A Course in Miracles  
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Deacon Jean Johnson, Community Chaplain  
Deacon Lydya Chapman, Women's Ministries  
Deacon Michael Karban, Diaconal Minister of the Chancel  
Deacon Sue Gallagher, EdD, Teaching Associate  
Peggy Brereton, Usher Team Leader  
Trevor Stewart, Bookkeeper

### Consultant

Rev. Elder Don Eastman, Systems & Leadership

**Officers of Sunshine Cathedral Board of Directors**  
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### Chair of Sunshine Cathedral Foundation

Phil McChesney  
Info@SunFound.net

### 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

### Monthly Collection Programs

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday - Loaves & Fishes: Food Collection

3<sup>rd</sup> 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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