

Welcome Home To Your . . .



Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

I Am Light

Sunday, July 11th 2021

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

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

Processional Hymn

This Little Light of Mine

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*All throughout the night, I'm gonna let it shine.
All throughout the night, I'm gonna let it shine.
All throughout the night, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

Opening Prayer

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Let us pray: Help us, God our savior;
Deliver us and make us whole.

Look upon your congregation;
Give to your people the blessing of peace.

Declare your glory among the nations;
And your wonders among all people.

Let not the oppressed be shamed or turned away;
Never forget the lives of the poor.

Let us acknowledge and embrace your loving-kindness;
And grant favor to those who are true of heart.

Satisfy us with your goodness in the morning;
*So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our lives
Amen.*

Sung Response

Arise, Your Light Has Come

Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey; show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today!

Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door; proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.

Service of Proclamation

A Reading from the Fourth Gospel John

John 8.12-15, 17-19 - Rev Renwick Bell

Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. The one who follows me will never walk in darkness. Rather, they will have the light of life."

On hearing this, the Pharisees said to him, "You are testifying on your own behalf. Your testimony is not true."

Jesus replied, "Even though I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is true, because I know where I have come from and where I am going, whereas you do not know where I have come from or where I am going."

You judge by the flesh, whereas I do not judge anyone. In your Law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is true. I testify on my own behalf, and the One who sent me also testifies on my behalf."

They continued to question him, saying, "Where is the One that sent you?"

Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor the One that sent me. If you knew me, you would know the One that sent me, also."

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

Thanks be to God.

Sung Response

Arise, Your Light Has Come

Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born, bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

Please be seated.

The Anthem

Light of the World

By Stephen Schwartz

Performed By Sara Burns and Twila Wilson

Homily

I Am Light

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins, Senior Minister

Invitation to Prayer

Please rise as you are able.

Song of Response

Til the Storm Passes By

*In the dark of the midnight, I have oft hid my face,
while the storms howl above me, and there's no hiding
place;
'Mid the crash of the thunder, precious One, hear my cry,
keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.*

*Many times someone told me, there is no need to try,
for there's no end of sorrow, there's no hope by and by.
But I know God is with me, and tomorrow I'll rise
where the storms never darken the skies.*

*'Til the storm passes over, 'til the thunder sounds no more,
'til the clouds roll forever from the sky,
Hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of your hand;
keep me safe 'til the storm passes by.*

*'Til the storm passes over, 'til the thunder sounds no more,
'til the clouds roll forever from the sky,
Hold me fast, let me stand in the hollow of your hand;
keep me safe 'til the storm passes by*

Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations

Sign of Peace

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.*

Service of Sacraments

Sacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings)

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Stewardship Thought

*"To give without any reward, or any notice, has a special
quality of its own." Anne Morrow Lindbergh*

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

Blinded By the Light

By Bruce Springsteen

Performed By Edwin Neimann and Felipe Diaz

Rise as you are able.

Doxology

We Are An Offering

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up
to you, we are an offering.*

*God, use our voices, God, use our hands, God, use our
lives, they are yours, we are an offering.*

*All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be
we give to you, we give to you.*

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to
you, we are an offering; we are an offering.*

Sacrament of Hospitality

Eucharistic Intentions

Rev Renwick Bell

We Remember

Robert Debolt	07/11/2020	Flossie Smith	07/15/2009
Joseph Lavinio Sr.	07/13/2003	Ralf Kuehnert	07/17/1992
Ed Jones	07/14/2005	John Crihfield	07/17/2003
David Kempf	07/15/1992		

Prayer Chorus

On Eagle's Wings

And God will raise us up on eagle's wings, bear us on the breath of dawn, make us to shine like the sun, and hold us in the palm of God's hand.

Intercessions

Rev Kevin Tisdol

For the Sunshine Cathedral's local congregation and global fellowship,
For all who are on our prayer list,
For this and every nation,
For all who are worshipping with us today and for all who are on our hearts we pray:

*May God bless and watch over us all.
May God comfort us in times of trial.
May God's love shine forth in our lives.*

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

As Jesus taught us, 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 Dr Anne Atwell

Sursum Corda

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is joyful to live in gratitude.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Omnipresent, everlasting, all-loving God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we give you praise and glory:

Holy, holy, holy –

God of Light and Love, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took a piece of bread, gave thanks to God, broke it, and said,
"This is my body...When you share this bread, remember me."

In the same way, after the supper he took the cup and said,

"This cup is God's new covenant, set in motion in my life. Drink, and remember me."

Eternal God, we ask you in the name of the Lord Jesus to bless and sanctify this bread and fruit of the vine to the souls of all those who receive them, that we may eat and drink in remembrance of him.

Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Rev Renwick Bell

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

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

Bless Us All

*Bless us all who gather here
The loving family I hold dear
No place on Earth compares with home
And every path will bring me back from where I roam*

*Bless us all, that as we live
We always comfort and forgive
We have so much that we can share
With those in need we see around us everywhere*

*Let us always love each other
Lead us to the light
Let us hear the voice of reason
Singing in the night
Let us run from anger
And catch us when we fall
Teach us in our dreams
And please, yes please bless us one and all*

*Bless us all with playful years
With noisy games and joyful tears
We reach for you and we stand tall
And in our prayers and dreams we ask you
Bless us all
We reach for you and we stand tall
And in our prayers and dreams we ask you
Bless us all.*

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 Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Final Song *This Is Me*

*When the sharpest words wanna cut me down
I'm gonna send a flood, gonna drown them out
I am brave, I am bruised
I am who I'm meant to be, this is me*

*Look out 'cause here I come
And I'm marching on to the beat I drum
I'm not scared to be seen
I make no apologies, this is me
Oh-oh-oh-oh*

*I won't let them break me down to dust
I know that there's a place for us
For we are glorious*

*When the sharpest words wanna cut me down
I'm gonna send a flood, gonna drown them out
I am brave, I am bruised
I am who I'm meant to be, this is me*

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Commissioning

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

Postlude Barbara Ramcharitar

SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

Please hold these in the power of loving prayer:

Centering Thought:

"God is my unfailing and immediate supply of all good."
Florence Scovel Shinn

We pray for the following ~

Linda R; Sergio; Kelli; JH; Shane M.; Esperanza; Paul; John; Jennifer; Leslie; Olivia; Kathryn; Sadie & Sloan; Sylvia E.; Elaine; JJ & Courtney; Gina; Those hurt or frightened at the WM Pride Parade; loved ones of the person fatally wounded at Pride; Lewis family; Steve M.; Brad; Bill P.; Mark; Craig; Goldie; Mama Sarah; Michelle; Byron; Steve; Jason; parents and parental figures; SC musicians; Tim; Pat; Josh; Amy; Tricianne (of blessed memory); Anita; Walt L.; Nancy & Lynn; Emily & Brett; Ann; Elijah N.; Camille (of blessed memory); J&K; those affected by Surfside disaster; Noah; Matthew & Michael; John O.; Ken; Suzanne; Heel; Benjamin; Leslie; Layne; Dan M.; Kelley; Lewis family; Will & Maureen; Julia; Kona (of blessed memory); Michelle; Jim M.; Sergio; "Abuela"; MLF; Jeffery; DCP; Carol & Mario; Rita J.; Leslie; Pete; the people of Haiti; those facing storms; Shawna; Machel G; Debbie H; Michale D; Dick B; Margaret H; Angela L; Pearl K; Shirley H; Ron D; all who have been burdened by the pandemic; family of Martin M.; David K.; Rick W.'s mother; Dan R.; Steve G; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; Troy P.; Global Justice Institute; DSFI; the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral; those who meet for any reason at Sunshine Cathedral Square; members & friends of Sunshine Cathedral; all who are part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship

LET US PRAY

The Love that we call God is everywhere, fully present; It is the Ground of being, the Substance of all that is; therefore, we trust that God is enfolding all who are dear to us and all who have been committed to the care of our prayers. God is the loving embrace that is nurturing, comforting, guiding, and encouraging all for whom we pray. With deep gratitude we relax and allow blessings to manifest naturally and abundantly. And so it is.

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 News

STREAMING BROADCAST DRIVE – July is our month to focus on our streaming broadcast ministry. Your support is needed and appreciated.

Sunshine Cathedral's streaming broadcasts received over 5 million views in 2020 and we hope to have even more in 2021. A snapshot of just one week in June (2021) showed that our online programming was being viewed in over 6,000 locations in the U.S. and almost 650 other locations throughout the world (in places such as the UK, Belize, Canada, Brazil, Australia, Mexico, Philippines, Jamaica, etc., and that's just people viewing via Facebook... remember, we are also on YouTube and Instagram!).

We can verify viewers in 39 countries! Of course, we are reaching people close to home, too. We have a strong online viewership in Fort Lauderdale and 19 other Florida towns/cities.

Fort Lauderdale and its neighbors make the largest metropolitan area to follow our streaming ministry with the next largest viewing groups in the U.S. found in NYC, LA, San Francisco, Chicago, Dallas, Philadelphia, and San Antonio. Beyond the U.S. the largest viewership by city comes from Belize City, Sao Paulo, Toronto, London, and Sydney. Millions of viewers in thousands of locations all over Broward County, the state of Florida, the United States, and the world have found and been encouraged by Sunshine Cathedral. And now, people from all over the world can become part of the Cathedral community through the new Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship program. Our professionally produced broadcasts helped us thrive in pandemic and helped us help others who were frightened or lonely in pandemic. And our broadcasts have brought the joy and hope that our progressive, positive, practical spirituality offers to people: gay, lesbian, bi, pansexual, straight, questioning, cisgender, transgender, non-binary and all kinds of people all over the world.

Help us continue this powerful broadcast ministry. Donations earmarked for the Streaming Broadcasts will help us continue to grow and serve locally and globally. This is a missional work you can feel good about supporting. Thank you for helping us reach the world with truly good news for all people.

Thank you for your support.

Peter Cinelli, MD
Bill Spinosa & Frank Molano
Robert Woodman
Mike Manning & Andre Caetano
Cindy Lippert
Steve Laskin

HOUT TV - Our Sunday broadcast is made possible by Happening Out Television Network and donors who support our televised ministry. Happening Out is a streaming network that produces LGBTQ+ themed news and social programming. You can find them on Facebook and YouTube. Their studio is on the campus of the Sunshine Cathedral.

SUNSHINE CATHEDRAL GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP - If you don't live in the Fort Lauderdale area but are finding Sunshine Cathedral to be a primary source of spiritual enrichment in your life, we invite you to consider joining the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship. You can become a friend or partner of Sunshine Cathedral and even pursue a path to full membership. You can learn about how you can become part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship by visiting SunshineCathedral.org

GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP TRAVEL PROGRAM - Sunshine Cathedral's Global Fellowship program is going on its first trip where global/online friends, partners and members along with local congregants can meet in person for a fun trip to Italy. This first class trip with 4-star hotels is open to all levels of Global Fellowship participants. This trip is also a fundraiser for Sunshine Cathedral. We invite you to join us for just a \$1 deposit and \$99 monthly installments. Full trip insurance is included. The trip includes 3 nights in Rome, 10 nights in Tuscany with breakfast and dinner daily. Join more than 60 global fellow congregants already scheduled to join us. Space is limited.

MASKS ARE NOW OPTIONAL FOR WORSHIP - We hope everyone has been vaccinated by now, and if you have not been vaccinated we strongly encourage you to wear a mask. We have masks available to you in the Narthex. Worshipers can distance themselves according to comfort level. We will continue to offer hand sanitizer as you enter and leave the Worship Center, and we will continue offering individualized communion reception (rather than intinction). Protocols are becoming less restrictive; nevertheless, we ask that you follow the guidelines that remain.

BACK TO SCHOOL – In July and August we are invited to donate backpacks filled with school supplies to give to children returning to school in the Fall. This program is being offered in partnership with SunServe. Thank you for helping children prepare for a new year of learning and growing. For more information, please contact Rev. Dr. Robert Griffin (robert@sunshinecathedral.org).

FOLLOW AND SUBSCRIBE - We invite you to follow Sunshine Cathedral on Facebook, Instagram and subscribe to our YouTube channel. And if our ministry has been a blessing to you, please tell others about the Sunshine Cathedral.

SUMMER CLUB - The Summer Club is our effort to keep the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral fully funded through the summer. We ask that whatever your regular offering to Sunshine Cathedral is, whether you give weekly or monthly, that you give that amount one extra time over the summer. When you give your extra gift, make sure you let us know that it is a Summer Club donation. Thank you for your generosity.

Summer Club: Thank you for your generosity.

Goal: \$15K raised \$5,616.01

- Allan Dewes & Austin Lee
- Rev Dr Anne Atwell & Amy Walker
- Barbara Ramcharitar
- Brad Sterl & Tedd Davis
- Rev Dr Durrell Watkins & Rev Dr Robert Griffin
- Deacon Edward Huckemeyer
- Gary Grieve & Patrick McGeachen
- James Burke
- James McDaniel
- Joanne Simon
- John Schaufelberger
- Rev Kevin Tisdol & Michael Mitchell
- Linda Edin & Deacon Lydya Chapman
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- Michael Moore
- Michael Soderman
- Michael Spatz
- Philip Cordell
- Philip McChesney & Joel Scinto
- Richard Schwarz & Tom Massey
- Richard Brown
- Robert Woodman
- Steven McGehee
- Deacon Jean Johnson & Norma Wingo
- Victor Ramos & Dennis McWilliams
- Wade Boyles & Jeff Hays
- William Bryan

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

July 11: Agnes Galer (1860-1939)—ordained a Divine Science minister by New Thought pioneer Nona Brooks (c. 1907) and established a church in Seattle. Galer is known for being the minister who ordained Ernest Holmes (Holmes was a Divine Science minister before starting the Religious Science movement).

July 12: H. Emilie Cady (1848 – 1941) – author of spiritual texts, including Lessons in Truth, one of the most widely read books in New Thought spirituality. She was a homeopathic physician. In one of her books she declared, “I AM’...is God’s name...I AM cannot be weary, or faint, or powerless; for I AM is all-life, all-power, All-Good...’I AM’ spoken upward, toward the good, the true, is sure to out-picture in visible good, in success, in happiness.”

July 14: Kathleen Besly (1858 – 1946) – Divine Science minister who wrote the classic, The Divine Art of Living, in which she writes, “We cannot fear anything or anybody if we have the full realization that God is everywhere, that God is Love and that Love is the great power of life.”



Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Donating to Sunshine Cathedral

Venmo or CashApp

Venmo - @SunshineCathedral

CashApp - \$SunshineCathedral

Text to Give - 954.399.7333

Financial Data Snapshot from 4 July

Weekly Generosity Income Needed	\$10,797.56
Generosity Income Received	\$8,183.00
Our Abundance and/or (Need)	(\$2,614.15)
<i>Per Capita Giving</i>	
Worship Services	168
Online Virtual Resourcing	114,117
Food Sharing Ministry Total Reached	615

*Detailed information located at
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Bereavement Support Group

Each of us mourns the death of a loved one differently.

Many find comfort in sharing the pain, anger, depression and other emotions they feel following a loss.

*For group schedule and information please contact Rev Dr Anne Atwell
Anne@SunshineCathedral.net*

Sunshine Cathedral Online Schedule

Sunday

*Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live
Sunshine Cathedral YouTube Live
10:30AM/ET - Sunday Worship*

Monday - Saturday:

*Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live
Noon/ET - Midday Prayers*

Monday

*Sunshine Cathedral Facebook Live
6PM/ET - 6:30PM/ET - Christians & Cocktails*

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.

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Two Sunday morning services
9:00AM & 10:30AM (LIVE BROADCAST)
Sunday 5:00PM in *Second Life*

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