

Welcome Home To Your . . .



*Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All
A Positive Worship Experience*



Back in God's House

Wednesday

March 2nd, 2022

Service of Gathering

The Welcome

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

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!

Service of Praise

Opening Hymn

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.*

Opening Litany

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

One: Holy and beautiful the custom which brings us together in the presence of the Most High.

All: To face our ideals, to remember our loved ones in absence, to give thanks, to make confession, to offer forgiveness, to be enlightened, and to be strengthened.

One: Through this quiet hour breathes the worship of ages, the cathedral music of history.

All: Three unseen guests attend: Faith, Hope, and Love. Let all our hearts prepare them place. Amen.

Please be seated.

Imposition of Ashes

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

One: Remembering that we are both frail and resilient, fragile and enduring, and aware that we have all needed aid or encouragement or a second chance at some time, and that others will need our compassion, goodwill, and generosity, and remembering that in good times and in times of challenge we are able to rise like dust, we are earth dust, star dust, and fairy dust, we part and parcel of God and the future has infinite possibilities, let us now mark ourselves with the reminder and the blessing of ash and dust.

Moment of Silence

Please rise as you are able.

The Twenty-third Psalm (The Message)

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

God, my shepherd!
I don't need a thing.
You have bedded me down in lush meadows,
you find me quiet pools to drink from.
True to your word,
you let me catch my breath
and send me in the right direction.
Even when the way goes through
Death Valley,
I'm not afraid
when you walk at my side.
Your trusty shepherd's crook
makes me feel secure.
You serve me a six-course dinner
right in front of my enemies.
You revive my drooping head;
my cup brims with blessing.
Your beauty and love chase after me
every day of my life.
I'm back home in the house of God
for the rest of my life.

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

Song of Response

Your Grace and Mercy

Your grace and mercy brought me through, I'm living this moment because of you;

I want to thank you, and praise you too: your grace and mercy brought me through.

Your grace and mercy brought me through, I'm living this moment because of you;

I want to thank you, and praise you too: your grace and mercy,

your grace and mercy, your grace and mercy brought me through.

Please be seated.

Anthem

A Living Prayer
By Alison Krauss
Performed by Tara Sperry

Sacrament of Hospitality
{We Remember}

Homily

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Eucharistic Intentions
Deacon Ed Huckemeyer

Song of Response

For Everyone Born

Prayer of Divine Mercy

*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,*

*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*

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

Pastoral Prayer & Affirmations

Sign of Peace

Surely the Presence

*Surely the presence of our God is in this place:
I can feel Her mighty power, and His grace.
I can feel the brush of angel wings,
I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of our God is in this place.*

*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.*

Intercessions

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 -

Please be seated.

All: may peace prevail on earth.

Service of the Sacraments

Sacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings)

Rev Kevin Tisdol

We offer these prayers in the name of the indwelling Christ, and we continuing praying in song:

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.

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 lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

Offering Music

Dust In The Wind
By Kerry Livgren
Performed By Sara Burns

Please 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 into generous day.*

Please be seated.

Then when years on earth are over, and we've lived our human span, God, fulfill beyond our dreaming, all our stewardship began.

The Lord's Supper

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

One: On the night of his arrest Jesus shared a meal with his friends and family of choice. After supper, he took a piece of bread, broke it, and offered it to those at table. Sharing together made them one body. Jesus said, "When you do this, remember me."

He then took a cup of wine and shared it with the others. Sharing reminded them that they were bound together in a covenant of love. Jesus again said, "When you do this, remember me."

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 Song

Heal Our Land

*Heal our world, Spirit heal our world;
Hear our cry and turn our nations back to You.
Lord, heal our world, hear us, O Lord, and heal our world;*

*Receive our prayer and heal our broken world.
Receive our prayer and heal our broken world.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Please rise as you are able.

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

Go, My Children with my Blessing

*Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone; waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own;
in my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever;
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.*

*Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me; grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you, here with tender comfort stilled you; go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.*

Commission

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

Postlude

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