

Welcome Home To Your . . .



Your Local & Global Queer Church Community for All

A Positive Worship Experience

Today's Theme

We Need Healing

Sunday, July 3rd 2022

All Are Welcome!



Service of Gathering

Welcome

Rev Dr Durrell Watkins
Rev Dr Robert Griffin

Announcements

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Please rise as you are able.

Introit

O for a World

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways, where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved, where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

Sunshine Cathedral 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

Crucifer:

Processional Hymn

God of the Ages, Who with Sure Command

God of the ages, who with sure command brought forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before your throne arise.

Your purpose, just, envisions mortals free; God, set our path toward human liberty. Still be our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay – your Word our law, your paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, with steadfast care be ever our defense; your love and faith within our hearts increase; with bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh your people on life's toilsome way; lead us from night to never-ending day; with truth and love guide us through error's maze, and we shall give you glory, laud, and praise.

Opening Prayer

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Spirit of Community, in which we share and find strength and common purpose, we turn our minds and hearts toward one another seeking to bring into our circle of concern all who need our love and support: those who are ill, those who are in pain, either in body or in spirit, those who are lonely, those who have been wronged. We are part of a web of life that makes us one with all humanity, one with all the universe. We are grateful for the miracle of consciousness that we share, the consciousness that gives us the power to remember, to love, to care.

Amen.

Sung Response

O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;

For we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end:

We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Please be seated.

Service of Proclamation

The Wisdom of Helen Wilmans

Rev Marian Cavagnaro

We are not evil. We are ignorant, and it our ignorance that is counted to us as evil, or sin. But ignorance is underdevelopment, and underdevelopment is not sin. The child is more undeveloped than the adult, but the child is not therefore more evil. The child makes more mistakes... but it is because the child has more to learn. The mistakes help the child, because the child learns from them, and they are, therefore, good. The [human family] believes itself divorced from God (or good) which is an absurd idea, since good – the Life Principle -fills the universe, and divorce in the universe is impossible. It remains for us to learn that 'all our evils' are the result of our unripe intelligence... What we call sins are simply the mistakes of our negative or unripe condition that are pitfalls into which we stumble in our blind groping after light.

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

Thanks be to God.

A reading from 2 Kings (5.1-14)

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram... though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy.

Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife.

She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said.

And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments.

He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king

of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house.

Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean."

But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy!

Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage.

But his servants approached and said to him, "Sir, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?"

So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean..

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

Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able.

Song of Response *By Whatever Names We Call You*

In whatever way we worship, Mystery divine, you are only dimly known through ritual and creed. Though we try to capture you in symbol or in sign, only as we let you be can longing hearts be freed.

Please be seated.

The Anthem

Freedom
by Beyone
Performed by Tara Sperry

Homily

We Need Healing
Rev Dr Durrell Watkins

Please rise as you are able.

Prayer Chorus *Bless You for the Good That's In You*

Pastoral Prayer and Affirmations

Sign of Peace

Breath of Heaven

*Breath of heaven
Hold me together
Be forever near me
Breath of heaven*

*Breath of heaven
Lighten my darkness
Pour over me your holiness
For you are holy
Breath of heaven
Breath of heaven
Breath of heaven*

Service of Sacraments

Sacrament of Sharing (Tithes & Offerings)

Rev Kevin Tisdol

Stewardship Thought

"When you tithe, you notice your life simply flows better."

Christiane Schull

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

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
Eucharistic Intentions**

We Remember

Larry Strain	07/03/1992	Tim Henry	07/06/1995
James Henning	07/04/1994	Walt Duym	07/06/2006
David Anderson	07/04/2004	Shaun Teeling	07/07/1992
Jerry Schiebel	07/05/2005	Brent Sampson	07/07/1993
Carl Garnsey	07/05/2007	Clyde Cornwell	07/07/2002
Ed Bjorkman	07/05/2009	Ted Herchick	07/08/19968

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

We celebrate this Eucharist to the glory of God and with special intentions for the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship and location congregation, and with people all over the world we pray,

May peace prevail on earth!

In praise of the Source of life, in hope for a world that is fair and abundant for everyone, trusting grace equal to every need, acknowledging that we all make mistakes and at times need new chances, and seeking harmony and joy in our lives, we continue our prayers using the words of Jesus:

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

(Tune: Hesperus L.M., Words by Durrell Watkins)

Rev Dr Anne Atwell

Jesus took bread and blessed and broke, and shared with all who were quite near; the prophet's cup he also gave, to say God needs us now and here.

Remember me the Teacher said, with common cup and broken bread; My spirit stays with you always keeping your heart and soul well-fed.

God of the grape, of grain, and soil, God in the clouds, and light and air; We wish to be your love made known, working to build a world that's fair.

Invitation to Communion

Rev Kevin Tisdol

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

Communion is Shared

Communion Song

God Bless America

*God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with the light from above
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home
God bless America, my home sweet home*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev Kevin Tisdol

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

Higher Love

Commissioning

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

Postlude

Barbara Ramcharitar

Sunshine Cathedral Weekly Financial Information

Financial Data Snapshot from 26 June

Weekly Generosity Income Needed	\$11,819.81
Generosity Income Received	\$14,525.40
Our Abundance and/or (Need)	\$2,705.59
Per Capita Giving	16.75
Worship Services	250
Online Virtual Resourcing	181,874
People at SC Square	4,207
Food Sharing Ministry - Total Reached	637

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SILENT HELPERS PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer

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 – may peace prevail on earth. Amen.

PRAYER LIST

The many mass shooting victims in the U.S.; MLF; Anita; TL; TRW; Rodney; MaryEmma; Cindy & Richard; all women in the U.S.; Sarah; Dale; The people of Ukraine; Nona; Mark; Mitzi; Maureen and daughter; Luca's family; Austin's sister; Alex; Lazzlo; Pablo P. (& his friend of blessed memory); Lewis family; Kevin & Kelli; SC's worship team; Jim F.; Dianne & Leslie; Charlie & Linda; Corrine's mom; Aaron; Mark; Charlotte O. and Susan D.; Crystal; George; Colleen; Sandra; Ms. Rigby & family; Sunshine (of blessed memory); Marcia; Courtney; Elaine; Jamie; Lydya; Rozen; Rick; WAMMS; Marvin; Juzer; Jossie R.; Corrine's mom; Maureen's family; DiAnne & Leslie; Troy & Phillip; those in nursing care and assisted living facilities; LGBTQ+ communities; Global Justice Institute; DSFI; the ministries of Sunshine Cathedral; members & friends of Sunshine Cathedral; all who are part of the Sunshine Cathedral Global Fellowship

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: U. S. Independence Edition

GOD BLESS AMERICA – is a song and prayer that we often hear at patriotic occasions, and of course, we want our nation to prosper, our people to enjoy good health, and we want to be at peace in and with the world; so, “God bless America” is a good prayer to offer.

Let us also remember, however, that we are not asking God to “favor” this country over others. All people are God’s children and we want all of God’s children to be blessed. And, seeking divine blessings implies that we will do our part to be blessed and to share the blessing. We know that “what God does for us, God must do through us.” So, let us pray for justice and then work to be the answer to the prayer. Let us pray for peace and then work to be the answer to the prayer. Let us pray for needs to be adequately met in our lives and in the lives of our neighbors, and then, let us work to be the answer to the prayer. “God bless us by inspiring us to do what we can and by giving us joy as we do it.”

Blessing literally means to make happy. “God bless America” means “let us be a happy nation.” To be happy, we all need enough food, clean air and water, unfettered access to medical care, educational opportunities, equal opportunity and equal protection, and our dignity affirmed at every stage of life. Oh yes, indeed, God bless America!

To be blessed can also suggest a change of course. The U.S. began as colonies that rebelled against an empire; but, as we’ve grown in size, wealth, and power, our country has also mimicked some of the ways of empire. The sins of slavery, Jim Crow, Japanese internment, homophobic and transphobic rhetoric and legislation, refusing women the vote, making voting difficult for certain communities, decimating the cultures and communities of Native Americans, xenophobic attitudes, and disregard for the environment are part of our nation’s history, and we continue to struggle against some these unenlightened impulses. “God bless and heal us and help us turn from fear and hatred and toward a love of the human family; may we embrace a true desire for all people to thrive and prosper and be treated fairly.”

We pray God bless America. Now, with our speech, our spending, our sharing, and our voting, may we each also bless America, helping Her, helping Us, be better than we’ve been and more of what we can and ought to be. Amen.

LIVE BROADCAST DRIVE – One of the most important things Sunshine Cathedral has done in recent years is to professionally stream our worship services and other events. In partnership with Happening Out Television Network, our Sunday services can now be seen on Facebook, YouTube, Amazon Fire, Apple TV, Google TV, and Roku. This has taken a big investment of time, creativity, and financial resources and the payoff has been that during pandemic we never missed a service and those who experience our services multiplied exponentially. In 2020 Five Million people experienced Sunshine Cathedral, and in 2021 that number grew to 6 Million. People all over the world worship with us every week. Lives have been touched and changed, and people who have never been to Fort Lauderdale now depend on the encouragement and joy that our ministry offers. It’s important and we are thrilled by the result.

In July, we are asking those who can and who appreciate what the broadcast ministry is achieving to make a special donation for this ministry. In addition to your regular giving, a gift of any size can help us continue to reach people all over the world with the progressive, positive, practical message that has enriched and empowered so many already. Your support is greatly appreciated, and it is making miracles happen in people’s lives.

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

CONTEMPORARY READING – Helen Wilmans was a pioneer in the New Thought movement, embracing the “Mental Science” branch of New Thought.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

July 3: Agnes Lawton (1865 – 1946) ordained by Nona Brooks in 1905. Wrote Hints to Bible Study, and also collaborated with Albert Grier on the book, Truth and Life.

July 4: Jemima Wilkinson (1752-1819) - American preacher who woke from a near-death experience in 1776 with the sense of being neither male nor female. Adopting the name "Publick Universal Friend," this nonbinary religious leader fought for gender equality.

July 5: Charles Fillmore – Co-founder of the Unity School of Christianity. Known for his allegorical interpretations and practical application of scripture, Charles was called an "American mystic." After attributing a physical healing to spiritual practices, Charles (with his wife Myrtle) co-founded the Unity Church and movement. He believed forgiveness was healing: "Here is a mental treatment guaranteed to cure every ill that flesh is heir to - sit for half an hour every night and mentally forgive everyone against whom you have any ill will or antipathy." Fillmore was also a proponent of positive thinking: "Deny that lack has any place or reality in your thought or your affairs and affirm plenty as the only appearance. Praise what you have, be it ever so little, and insist that it is constantly growing larger."

July 6: Jan Hus (1372-1415)—Czech reformer and martyr. Born to a poor peasant family, Hus was ordained a priest and eventually became rector of Prague University. Long before the Protestant Reformation, Hus was an enormously popular and fiery preacher who spoke against corruption in the medieval church and translated the Bible into Czech. When he refused to stop preaching he was excommunicated, jailed, and burned at the stake. He met his death with great courage and faith, forgiving his enemies. His spiritual descendants eventually became the Moravian church.

Marsha P. Johnson (1945 – 1992) - an African American transwoman activist and one of those credited with being part of the beginning of the Stonewall Rebellion that launched the modern LGBTQ liberation movement. The LGBTQ people who resisted police at Stonewall are saints because they dared to battle an unjust system. Some were religious, others not, but in standing for justice and equality, they were "on the side of the angels." Johnson was an advocate for homeless Queer and Trans* youth. At age 46, her body was found in the Hudson River, possibly murdered.

July 7: St. Veronica (first century CE) – When Jesus fell carrying his cross bar to his execution, legend says a compassionate woman, Veronica, rushed to him to wipe his face with her veil. Tradition insists that Jesus' face left an imprint on the veil. "Veronica" may come from the words "Vera" (true) and "Icon" (image). Whether or not the story is historically factual, it does proclaim the enduring truth of the power of kindness.

Peace Pilgrim (1908 – 1981) - born Mildred Lisette Norman, was an American spiritual teacher, mystic, pacifist, and activist. She walked across the United States, speaking with others about peace. Between 1953 and 1964 she had walked over 25,000 miles for peace and stopped logging miles after that (even though she definitely continued walking). She wrote, "Our institutions and our leaders reflect our immaturity, but as we mature we will elect better leaders and set up better institutions. It always comes back to the thing so many of us wish to avoid: working to improve ourselves." Her pilgrimage (walking for peace) spanned almost three decades beginning in 1953 (during the Korean War). She continued walking for 28 years (which included the Vietnam War years). Her only possessions were the clothes on her person and a few items she carried in her pockets. She had no organizational backing, did not carry money, and didn't even ask for food or lodging. She had taken a vow to "remain a wanderer until [humankind] has learned the way of peace, walking until given shelter and fasting until given food." On July 7, 1981, while being driven to a speaking engagement near Knox, Indiana, Peace Pilgrim was killed in an automobile accident. At the time of her death, she was crossing the United States for the seventh time.

July 9: Augustus Tolton (1854-1897)—First African-American Catholic priest. Tolton was born to Catholic slave parents who escaped during the Civil War. From an early age he felt a call to the priesthood. He studied in Illinois, and later in Rome, before being returned to the US to be ordained and work with struggling Black Catholic congregations. Though frequently marginalized by the establishment, he exposed racism in the church and worked for integration and equality.

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