

# MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH



**Ash Wednesday Worship**  
February 17, 2021 | 6:15pm

**One West 29th Street (at Fifth Avenue), New York City**  
Worship: Sundays at 11:00am; Wednesdays at 6:15pm

# Order of Service

Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

**THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR OUR REMOTE SERVICE BROUGHT TO YOU WITH  
THE SAME HEART AND SPIRIT AS IF WE WERE IN THE SANCTUARY.**

## MUSIC FOR PRAYERFUL CONTEMPLATION (6:00pm)

Ich Ruf Zu Dir (I Call to Thee) . . . . . J. S. Bach, arr. Busoni  
Sonata No. 2 in C Minor . . . . . Felix Mendelssohn  
I. Grave II. Adagio

## WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT     Salvator Mundi *from Requiem*. . . . . Herbert Howells  
*Recorded March 8, 2020*  
O Savior of the world, who by Thy cross and Thy precious blood hast redeemed us, save us  
and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.

**HYMN 468     Just as I Am, Without One Plea** . . . . . Woodworth  
*Recorded February 26, 2020*  
*Please refer to on-screen lyrics or online hymnal.*

## INVOCATION

SOLO         O Divine Redeemer . . . . . Charles Gounod  
Tesia Kwarteng, *mezzo-soprano*  
Ah! Turn me not away, receive me tho' unworthy. Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress!  
Answer me from thy throne. Haste Thee, Lord to mine aid, Thy pity show in my deep anguish!  
Let not the sword of vengeance smite me, though righteous Thine anger, O Lord! Shield me  
in danger, O regard me! On Thee, Lord, alone will I call. *Refrain: O Divine Redeemer! I pray  
Thee, grant me pardon, and remember not, remember not my sins! Forgive me, O Divine  
Redeemer!* Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee; come to mine aid, O Lord!  
Haste Thee, Lord, haste to help me! Hear my cry! Save me Lord in Thy mercy; come and  
save me O Lord. *Refrain.* Save in the day of retribution, from Death shield Thou me, O my  
God! O Divine Redeemer have mercy; help me, my Savior! — *Alfred Phillips*

SCRIPTURE READING . . . . . 2 Corinthians 5:20b – 6:10  
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON     REMEMBER** . . . . . Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D.

**HYMN       Lamb of God** . . . . . Twila Paris  
*Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 4 of bulletin.*

## LITANY OF PENITENCE (Psalm 51)

*For sung response, Create in Me a Clean Heart, by Donnie McClurken,  
please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on next page.*

**One:**     Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love;  
according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

**All:**       **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from  
my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever  
before me.**

### **Sung Response — Create in Me a Clean Heart**

**One:**     Against You, You alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil  
in Your sight, so that You are justified in Your sentence and  
blameless when You pass judgment.

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**All:** You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

*One:* Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that You have crushed rejoice.

**All:** Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

**Sung Response — Create in Me a Clean Heart**

*One:* O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise. For You have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, You would not be pleased.

**All:** The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

**Sung Response — Create in Me a Clean Heart**

Cre - ate in me a clean heart and pur - i - fy \_\_\_\_\_  
me, pur - i - fy \_\_\_\_\_ me. Cre - ate in me a  
clean heart so I may wor - ship Thee. \_\_\_\_\_

IMPOSITION OF ASHES — Its Symbolism and Meaning

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*This is the Lord's table. God is our host and we are all guests. Because it is God's table, it does not belong to any one church or denomination. All who believe in the love of God demonstrated in Christ are invited to this Supper.*

*During these extraordinary times we invite you to join in partaking of Communion in your own home. **Please have ordinary elements of bread and juice nearby.** We are together... while we are apart.*

ANTHEMS Kyrie Eleison *from Mass for Four Voices*. . . . . William Byrd  
*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

Nearer, My God, to Thee. . . . . Lowell Mason, arr. René Clausen  
*Recorded February 26, 2020* Text: Sarah Flower Adams

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALL FOR OFFERING

*Please click "Make a Donation" on bottom of any page at MarbleChurch.org and it will take you to a secure website, Realm, to give. You may also mail a check; keep in mind processing takes longer. We are grateful for your faithful support especially during this time.*

SOLO I'm Available to You . . . . . Carlis L. Moody Jr.  
Rashad McPherson, *soloist*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

HYMN **Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross** . . . . . William H. Doane  
Rashad McPherson, *song leader*

1. **Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain,  
Free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calv'ry's mountain.**

**Refrain:**  
*In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever,  
till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.*

2. **Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star shed its beams around me.**  
**Refrain.**

3. **Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever,  
Till I reach the golden strand, just beyond the river.**  
**Refrain.**

— *Fanny Crosby*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE **Sonata No. 2 in C Minor** . . . . . Felix Mendelssohn  
III. Allegro

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE  
Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D.  
The Marble Choir, Kenneth V. Dake, *director of music*  
Rashad McPherson, *director, Marble Community Gospel Choir*

**LAMB OF GOD**

Twila Paris



1. Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your  
2. Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and scorned Him as He  
3. I was so lost I should have died, but You have brought me to Your



side to walk up - on this guilt - y sod, and to become the Lamb of God.  
died. The hum - ble King we named a fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.  
side to be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God.



Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God.



Oh wash me in His precious blood. 'til I am just a lamb of God.



### GROW DEEPER DURING LENT

**Lenten All-Church Read: *Love Is the Way*. Starts Sunday, February 21, see below.**

#### **Facebook Lenten Devotional**

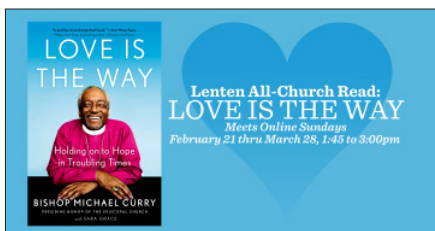
**Mondays, February 22 – March 29, 12:00pm**

Join the Marble Ministers for this time of devotion and prayer on Facebook Live. We pray this gathering grounds us in community, Scripture, and prayer as we begin each week and walk through this sacred time of Lent. Also available later at [MarbleChurch.org/Watch](https://MarbleChurch.org/Watch).

#### **Lenten Blog**

**Daily, February 17 – April 4**

For daily words of inspiration, visit [MarbleWomen.com](https://MarbleWomen.com). Sponsored by the Women's Ministry.



### LENTEN ALL-CHURCH READ: LOVE IS THE WAY

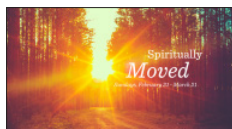
**Sundays, February 21 - March 28  
1:45-3:00pm**

The world may succumb to anger, division, and fear, but Christians are called to walk another way – the way of love. This Lent, join the Marble Community in reading Episcopal Bishop Michael Curry's ***Love Is the Way***:

***Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times*** and reflecting on its powerful message. Please order the book for yourself and register at [MarbleChurch.org](https://MarbleChurch.org) for discussion groups. Questions? Contact Baleta McKenzie, [BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org).

## WORSHIP

*Tune in live and remember to click on the chat bubble to engage with others.  
View the archives at [MarbleChurch.org/watch](https://MarbleChurch.org/watch).*



### **Sunday Worship, 11:00am**

**February 21 — Dr. Michael Bos**

#### ***Spiritually Moved:***

#### **Moving into the Wilderness**

*Part 1 of Sermon Series. Holy Communion.*

During these extraordinary times, we invite you to join in partaking of Communion in your own home. **Please have ordinary elements of bread and juice nearby.**

**Call-In Worship: (866) 893-5381** — *Please tell those without internet they can call on Sunday afternoons and during the following week to listen to the full service or sermon & scripture only.*



### **Jazz Vespers, 6:15pm**

**Wednesday, February 24**

Dr. Michael Bos

#### **It's Tempting**

Music by Chris Whittaker and local Jazz artists.

Holy Communion.

### **#WeWo: Wednesday Worship, 6:15pm**

**March 3 — Rev. Rashad McPherson**

Holy Communion.

**Please have ordinary elements of bread and juice nearby** during Worship on Wednesdays through Lent.



**NEW MEMBER Q & A  
INFORMATION SESSION**

**Sunday, February 21, 12:00-12:30pm**

Are you interested in becoming a member but don't live in the NYC area and have questions? Or have questions in general about membership? Please join Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. Elise Brown and Kim Sebastian-Ryan for a conversation via video chat or phone about you can join the Marble Family.

**Upcoming New Member Orientations (via Zoom, 12:00-1:00pm):**

**Sunday, March 7 / Part 1: *The Value of Community — Connection & Belonging***

**Sunday, March 14 / Part 2: *The Value of Community — Engagement***

For details or to sign up, please contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, [KRyan@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:KRyan@MarbleChurch.org).



**BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION  
Sundays in February  
during 11:00am Worship**

Celebrate African American Heritage through the lens of Gospel Music. Led by Gospel Choir Director Rashad McPherson, experience video presentations that include historical narration and music performances by Gospel Choir members.

Visit [MarbleChurch.org/watch](https://MarbleChurch.org/watch) if you missed a Black History Spotlight during Worship, or want to view again.



**ONLINE SCREENING of  
*SIGHTED EYES / FEELING HEART*  
Monday, February 22, 6:00-9:00pm**

**The Theatre Upstairs – downstairs@marble** presents an online screening of *Sighted Eyes/Feeling Heart*, the first-ever feature documentary about Lorraine Hansberry, the visionary playwright who authored the groundbreaking *A Raisin in the Sun*. A

conversation with Executive Producer Chiz Schultz follows. Questions? Contact Mario Sprouse, [MSprouse@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:MSprouse@MarbleChurch.org).



**MONTHLY RACIAL JUSTICE SERIES  
First Thursdays, 7:00-8:15pm  
through June 3**

**THE EVOLUTION OF VOTING RIGHTS  
Thursday, March 4**

Join Dr. Michael Bos and Rev. Rashad McPherson for a conversation with Jessica Huseman, a reporter and CNN analyst, who covered voting rights during the recent election. Learn more about the surprising history

and current state of voting rights in America and why this issue is of great importance today. *Note, next session is April 8, not during Holly Week.*

**We encourage all to attend. Invite your friends.**



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## MARBLE STAFF

For full staff list and email addresses, please visit [MarbleChurch.org/Welcome/Staff](http://MarbleChurch.org/Welcome/Staff).

### Ministerial Staff

Dr. Michael Bos, *Senior Minister*; Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D., *Executive Minister*  
Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin, *Associate Minister*; Rev. Anthony Livolsi, *Associate Minister*  
Rev. Susanah Wade, *Associate Minister*; Dr. Kenneth Ruge, *Minister for Pastoral Care & Counseling*

### Program Leadership

Kenneth V. Dake, *Director of Music*; Pascal Kabemba, *Chief Financial Officer*  
Rev. Rashad McPherson, *Director of Marble Community Gospel Choir*  
Christina Morano Keiser, *Director of Media & Communication*  
Kim Sebastian-Ryan, *Director of Membership & Connecting*

### Board of Elders & Deacons

**Elders:** Stephanie M. Bailey, Trenesa Danuser, Sandra Diaz (*Secretary*)  
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### Vision:

We envision a world where we all become the individuals God created us to be.

### Mission:

Marble Collegiate Church is a diverse, inclusive community of God's people led by the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. We inspire everyone to become positive thinkers who make a difference in the world.



## MARBLE'S MISSION PRIORITIES

*For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,...to give you a future with hope.*  
— Jeremiah 29:11

**Growing Deeper** — Seeking to grow in our faith in God, we commit to being a safe place to explore what it means to follow the way of Jesus who, as our source of hope, leads us to new possibilities.

**Growing Relationally** — Seeking to grow in our relationships with God and one another, we commit to being good neighbors in the world by seeking peace and justice for all people and cultivating a community of healing, reconciliation and transformation.

**Growing in Generosity** — Seeking to grow in our generosity as a grateful response to God's blessings in our lives, we recognize everything we have belongs to God, and we commit to giving and serving as acts of worship.

**Growing Young Across Generations** — Seeking to grow in our capacity to be a beacon of hope and life for all people, we commit to welcoming young people and their ideas, building an inter-generational community of respect, care and belonging.