



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH
...Here for You

Sunday, January 22, 2023

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Grace Notes: Inside the Music, 10:50am. Next Sunday, Ken Medema Mini-Concert, 10:40am.

PRELUDE Cantabile in B Major from *Trois Pièces pour Grand Orgue*. . César Franck

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT We Enter God's GatesKenneth Dake

HYMN 575 Come, We That Love the Lord *St. Thomas*
Please refer to hymnal or on-screen lyrics.

INVOCATION

ANTHEM We Know That God Is SpeakingKenneth Dake
We know that God is speaking today as in the past; through dreamers and builders of visions that will last. We're keepers of the future, explorers of the now, as guardians of this treasure, our gifts the church endow. We see that God is speaking through Jesus Christ the Son. Our singing and preaching, our worshipping as one; in fellowship and caring, with blessing and with peace, we gather with the faithful that love may yet increase. We hear that God is still speaking. O Holy Spirit, come and fill us with thanksgiving for all that You have done. We listen still for guidance and for grace to carry out our mission in this most sacred place. Our hope in God still speaking is shared with saints above, when we reach out to others in justice and in love. Our history before us, our future will be bright, our journey is rejoicing in God's eternal light. — *Gregory Chestnut*

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.

CHORAL RESPONSE

HYMN Breathe on Me, Breath of God Kenneth Dake
Please refer to page 3 of bulletin or on-screen lyrics.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE 2 Kings 2:3, 9, 11, 15

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **COMMUNITY OF THE PROPHETS.** Rev. Micah L. McCreary, Ph.D.

HYMN **The Church of Christ in Every Age** *Winchester New*
Please refer to page 3 of bulletin or on-screen lyrics.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALL FOR OFFERING

Please click "Make a Donation" on bottom of any page at MarbleChurch.org or use Donate QR Code on card in the pews, to take you to secure website, Realm, to give. Donation boxes also placed by Sanctuary doors. You may also mail a check. We are grateful for your faithful support.

ANTHEM Wells Jubilate John Rutter
The text is that of Psalm 100.

DOXOLOGY *Lasst uns erfreuen (The tune is that of Hymn 4.)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God with saints in heav'n above,
Praise Jesus Christ who shows God's love,
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Sonata No. 4 in B-flat Major, Opus 65 Felix Mendelsohn
I. Allegro

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Rev. Rashad McPherson, Dr. Elise Brown, Pat Johnson, *lay reader*
The Marble Choir
Kenneth Dake, *director of music*



AFTER WORSHIP TODAY



**Fellowship on Fifth
COFFEE HOUR**

Join us Sundays after Worship in the Labyrinth Room (*downstairs*) for an opportunity to make new friends, greet old friends and learn about upcoming programs.



2022 GIVING STATEMENTS are ready to be provided to our faithful contributors. **Thank you for your support during the most challenging financial environment Marble has ever experienced. It is so deeply appreciated.**

The Giving Statements were sent out electronically last week. We had 1016 giving households in 2022. Of that number, 31 have requested to receive a hard copy. If you prefer to receive a hard copy via mail, please contact Clay Hale in the Business Office, CHale@MarbleChurch.org or 212-686-2770.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

If you can't join us live, view archives at MarbleChurch.org/Watch



Sunday Worship, January 29 – 11:00am

Storms – Dr. Elise Brown

Special guest Ken Medema. *Please see page 5.*

In-Person Worship – Wearing masks is now optional at Marble.

NYC Street Closings: *Please plan ahead for your time at Marble. For details, visit www1.nyc.gov/events/ or call 311.*

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

Text: Edwin Hatch, 1878; Music: Kenneth Dake, 2000



Breathe on me, breath of God, — (1.) fill me with life_ a - new, —
(2.) 'til my heart all_ is pure,
(3.) stir in me one_ de - sire: —



— that I may love the way You love and do_ what You would do.
— un - til with You I will one will, to do_ or to en - dure.
— that ev - 'ry earthly part of me may glow with ho - ly fire.



Breathe on me, breath of God, — Breathe on me, breath of God. —

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IN EVERY AGE

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1969; Tune: *Winchester New*, 1690



1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, Be - set by change but Spir - it led,
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, The vic - tims of in - jus - tice cry
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, A car - ing church that longs to be
4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the fev - er in our blood,
5. We have no mis - sion but to serve In full o - be - dience to our Lord:



Must claim and test its her - it - age And keep on ris - ing from the dead.
For shel - ter and for bread to eat, And nev - er live un - til they die.
A part - ner in Christ's sac - ri - fice, And clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
and teach us how to share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
To care for all with - out re - serve And spread Christ's lib - er - at - ing word.

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Visit MarbleChurch.org for more events, details, and up-to-date information.

BEFORE WORSHIP



Prayer Circle – 10:00am, Chapel (downstairs) & Zoom. Weekly time of prayer and music. The Circle is always open – all you need is a willing heart! *Next Sunday, Prayer Circle meets in Labyrinth Room and ends at 10:30am so we can attend Ken Medema's mini-concert.*

10:00 O'Clock Hour – Labyrinth Room (downstairs). Please see page 5 for details. Attend in person or live stream. If you miss a session or want to see again, view archive at MarbleChurch.org/Watch.

CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



Sunday School, Youth Group, Choirs & Childcare – Infant/Toddler childcare: 11:00am-12:30pm. **Pre-K – 6th Grade Classes:** 10:00am. **Children's Choir:** 11:15am. **Youth Choir:** 10:00am. **7th-12th Grade** attend 11:00am Worship, followed by **Youth Group** until 1:00pm. **All children and youth welcome to join us any time!** Register online or contact CYF Director Brian Hampton, BHampton@MarbleChurch.org.

Learn more and meet our CYF Staff at MarbleChurch.org/engage/cyf.

Youth Volunteer Event: Spreading God's Love One Sandwich at a Time / Saturday, February 11, 12:45-2:00pm – CYF families invited to join the Marble Youth in Room 307 to make sandwiches and Valentines for the hungry and homeless in NYC. We are partnering with One Sandwich at a Time and sandwiches go to The Bowery Mission. Please register with Sarah Cheatham and sign up to bring supplies. SCheatham@MarbleChurch.org.



Become a Member!

Whoever you are, wherever you are in your faith journey, wherever you live, we'd love to have you join us! **Our next New Member Orientations are via Zoom January 29, and in person at Marble February 5, as well as via Zoom. To register, contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch.org, visit MarbleChurch.org/engage/join/become-a-member or speak to someone wearing a red carnation.**



ENGAGE

New Beginnings Art Exhibit / through January – View downstairs outside the Labyrinth Room and at MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry.

Small Group: Songs of the Faithful / continues Mondays, January 23, 30, February 6 & 13, 6:00-7:00pm – Dr. Elise Brown leads based on her book **Songs of the Faithful: Studies in the Psalms**. Each week focuses on a separate Psalm in a stand-alone session. In Peale Parlor. Register online.

Afternoon Prayer / Tuesdays, 4:00-4:20pm – Wind down your day with a brief time of sharing and prayer via Zoom or phone. Link available at MarbleChurch.org/calendar.

Chair Yoga / Thursdays, 10:00-10:45am – Center yourself physically and spiritually with this time of gentle movement via Zoom. Link available at MarbleChurch.org/calendar.

PrimeTime (55+) Gatherings / Various Wednesdays – Online and in person. For dates and details, contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

Caregivers Support Group / First Saturday of Month, 1:00-3:00pm – Learn how to balance your life and be a Caregiver with new strength and vitality. Led by Rev. Marion Gambardella. Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

If you need assistance registering online for an event, please don't hesitate to ask.
On Sundays, visit the Welcome Table during Fellowship on Fifth, or call/visit our receptionist.

HELP OTHERS



Prayer Shawl Ministry / First & Third Mondays, 5:00pm – Gather for prayer and creating together via Zoom to knit/crochet prayer shawls for the ill or homebound. Confirm dates with Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

Marble Fights Hunger – We encourage you to bring canned/bottled food whenever you come to Marble. Donations benefit organizations including Icahn House. Drop-off bins in 5th Ave Narthex or 29th St Prayer Room.

Please keep Dr. Michael Bos in your prayers during his mini-sabbatical in January, an important time of renewal and refreshment. We look forward to his return on February 9.

Spotlight



WE WELCOME REV. MICAH L. MCCREARY, PH.D. TO MARBLE TODAY!

A native of Detroit, Michigan, Rev. Dr. Micah L. McCreary is the 12th president of New Brunswick Theological Seminary and John Henry Livingston Professor of Theology. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from the University of Michigan; a Master of Divinity from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology, Virginia Union University; and a Master of Science and Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from Virginia Commonwealth University.

10:00 O'Clock Hour

Join us in the Labyrinth Room (*downstairs*) or online.



YOUR LIVING WATER: SENSING GOD'S CALL OVER A LIFETIME TODAY!

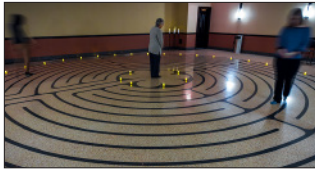
Nina H. Frost, M.A., spiritual director, author and a favorite workshop leader at Marble for decades

Note, no 10:00 O'Clock Hour January 29. Please attend the Ken Medema Mini-Concert at 10:40am. See below.



SABBATH AND JUBILEE IN THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PART 2 Sunday, February 5

Rev. Rashad McPherson, Associate in Ministry and Music at Marble



WALK THE LABYRINTH

Wednesdays, January 25 & February 15

5:00-6:00pm

Feed your spirit with this walking meditation. Labyrinth Facilitators available to help guide you and answer questions, while allowing you the space to walk in your own way, at your own pace.



KEN MEDEMA RETURNS TO MARBLE

Sunday, January 29

Mini-Concert 10:40am, Worship 11:00am

Sing-Back 12:00pm

Singer/Songwriter/Pianist Ken Medema is our guest for this special day. Besides hearing beautiful, inspiring music, during the Sing-Back, experience Ken's

amazing gift of spontaneously composing songs based on personal stories you share in the moment!

Though Ken Medema has been unable to see with his physical eyes, his inner vision and profound music carry a prophetic vision for the world today. Starting his career as a music therapist, in 1973 Ken launched his international performing career, electrifying audiences with his dazzling improvisations, reframing of Biblical stories, and his deeply emotional connection with everyone on their spiritual and human journey.



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Join the Marble Family!

Orientations after Worship:

Sunday, January 29, via Zoom

Sunday, February 5, at Marble & Zoom

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and journey forward with us. **Please register with Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch.org, visit MarbleChurch.org/engage/join/become-a-member or speak to someone wearing a red carnation.**



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**IT'S ABOUT TIME!
A Time Management Workshop
Thursday, January 26**

Mario Sprouse leads this workshop to help you understand what time really is, how to maximize its use, how to avoid procrastination, and discover what state of mind works best for optimum time management.

Register online. Meal: 6:00pm, \$10; Workshop, 6:45–8:15pm, free. Labyrinth Room and Zoom. Sponsored by Arts Ministry.



**MEET THE BOARD
First Sundays, after Worship**

On the first Sunday of each month, please gather around the Chancel after Worship for the opportunity to meet various Elders and Deacons.

February 5 – Jeanette Aycock, John Hupalo
Gregory Lozier, Barbara Sagan
Larry Schafer, Abigail Shue, Ilyana Titus



**Marble Women's Ministry:
WINNING FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FOR 2023
Sunday, February 5, 12:15-1:30pm**

Discuss tips on how women can navigate the current market environment. Led by Brenda Walker, Elder and MWM leader with over 30 years of financial and managerial experience in investment management services. Chapel and on Zoom. Register online.



IF YOU NEED HELP – PLEASE REACH OUT

Marble's Stephen Ministers may be able to help you with spiritual/emotional support in difficult times. **Speak to a Stephen Minister after Worship** in the Children's Chapel (2nd flr) or email StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org.

The Marble Prayer Ministry Team is here to pray for you. Submit requests on bottom of any page at MarbleChurch.org.

Blanton-Peale Counseling Center – 212-725-7850, blantonpeale.org

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – 988, call or text, available 24 hours

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