



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH

WELCOME
**Thank You for Worshipping
with Us Today!**

**We continue to
stay in community
during these
uncertain times.**

*In the time of King
Herod, after Jesus was
born in Bethlehem
of Judea, wise men
from the East came
to Jerusalem, asking,
“Where is the child
who has been born
king of the Jews?
For we observed his
star at its rising, and
have come to pay him
homage.” When King
Herod heard this, he
was frightened, and all
Jerusalem with him...
When they saw
that the star had
stopped, they were
overwhelmed with joy.
On entering the house,
they saw the child with
Mary his mother; and
they knelt down and
paid him homage.*

— Matthew 2:1-3, 10-11

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021

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

Order of Service

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 3, 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.**

Grace Notes: Inside the Music, 10:50am. Next Sunday, Special Prelude.

PRELUDE How Brightly Shines the Morning Star Dietrich Buxtehude
Recorded January 7, 2018

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT What Cheer William Walton
Recorded January 1, 2017
What cheer? Good cheer! Be merry and glad this good New Year! "Lift up your hearts and be glad in Christ's birth", the angel bade. Say each to other, if any be sad: "What cheer?" Now the King of heav'n His birth hath take, joy and mirth we ought to make; say each to other, for his sake: "What cheer?" I tell you all with heart so free: Right welcome, welcome ye be to me; be glad and merry, for charity! What cheer? Good cheer! Be merry and glad this good new Year!

HYMN 1 **Our God, Our Help in Ages Past** *St. Anne*
Jason Roberts, *organist*
Recorded January 1, 2017
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or online hymnal.

INVOCATION

ANTHEM The Road Not Taken *from Frostiana* Randall Thompson
Jason Roberts, *organist*
Recorded January 1, 2017
Two roads diverged in a yellow wood and sorry I could not travel both and be one traveler, long I stood and looked down one as far as I could to where it bent in the undergrowth; Then took the other, as just as fair, and having perhaps the better claim, because it was grassy and wanted wear; Though as for that the passing there had worn them really about the same. And both that morning equally lay in leaves no step had trodden black, Oh, I kept the first for another day! Yet knowing how way leads on to way, I doubted if I should ever come back. I shall be telling this with a sigh somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I – I took the one less traveled by, and that has made all the difference. — *Robert Frost*

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

Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light. J.S. Bach
from Christmas Oratorio
Recorded January 7, 2018
Break forth, O beauteous, heavenly light, and usher in the morning; ye shepherds, shrink not with affright, but hear the angel's warning. This Child, now weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be, the power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

HYMN 225 **We Three Kings** *Kings of Orient*
Recorded January 12, 2020
All sing verses 1 & 5 and refrains.
Children's and Youth Choirs alone sing verses 2-4.
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or online hymnal.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Matthew 2:1-12
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **We Were Made for More:**
MORE THAN TURNING THE PAGE Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D.
Part 1 of Sermon Series

INVITATIONAL HYMN

One Bread, One Body John B. Foley
Recorded October 7, 2018
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 7 of bulletin.

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.*

HYMN

We Come to the Hungry Feast Ray Makeever
Recorded March 1, 2020
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 7 of bulletin.

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.

ANTHEM

Born on a New Day John David, arr. Peter Knight
Recorded December 29, 2019
You are the new day. Meekness, love, humility, come down to us this day; Christ, Your birth has proved to me You are the new day. Quiet in a stall You lie, angels watching in the sky whisper to You from on high: “You are the new day.” When our life is darkest night, hope has burned away, Love, Your ray of guiding light, show us the new day. Love of all things great and small, leaving none, embracing all, fold around me where I fall, bring in the new day. This new day will be a turning point for everyone, if we let the Christ-child in, and reach for the new day. Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, healing sadness, ending strife, You we welcome, Lord of Life. Born on a new day, You are the new day. — *new text by Philip Lawson*

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

Recorded January 12, 2020
**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

CHORAL RESPONSE

Where God Leads Me I Will Follow Text: Ernest Blandly
Recorded September 11, 2016 Music: John Norris, arr. Dake

POSTLUDE Chorale-Prelude on the hymn tune *St. Anne*. C. Hubert H. Parry

This tune served as the opening hymn for this service.
Kenneth Dake, *organist*; Mark Johnson, *assistant*
Recorded September 11, 2016

	<p>REAFFIRMATION OF WEDDING / COMMITMENT VOWS FOLLOWS WORSHIP</p> <p>All couples welcome to join Dr. Michael Bos for this annual ceremony, this time via video chat.</p>
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PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin, Bill and Carolyn Thornton, *lay readers*
The Marble Choir, Kenneth V. Dake, *director of music*



Bevy Smith, TV and radio personality, joins Dr. Michael Bos and Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin in a conversation about racial injustice and overcoming the obstacles currently wounding our country. Bevy invites us along on the journey of her personal transformation to reveal we can live our best lives with honesty, joy, and no apologies.

All welcome! Hosted online by GIFTS: LGBTQ Fellowship. Register at MarbleChurch.org by January 6. Inquiries to Don Piper, DPiper@MarbleChurch.org.



**LISTENING FOR THE LIGHT:
A WINTER WORKSHOP
with NINA FROST
Saturday, January 9
10:00am-12:00pm**

Come gather your stirrings, hopes, and leadings of the new year through a gentle, restorative time of teachings, easy written exercises, and sharing. Leave with some inner guidance, a

renewed spirit, and journaling tools you can use again and again. Led by Nina H. Frost, spiritual director, author, and a favorite Marble workshop leader. Register online by Friday, January 8. **Open to all.** Hosted by Marble Women's Ministry.



**KENNETH DAKE CELEBRATION
Sunday, January 10, 11:00am**

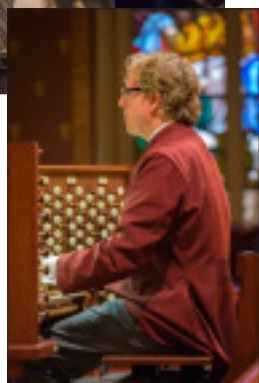
Join us online for Worship as we celebrate the Ministry of Kenneth Dake, Marble's Director of Music. Special Prelude at 10:50am.

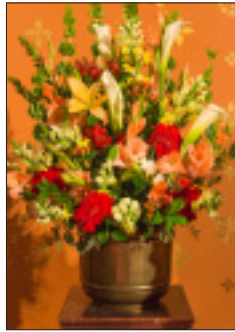
For 25 years, Marble has been graced by the musical brilliance and deep spiritual commitment of Kenneth Dake.

Words cannot express the debt of gratitude we have to Ken for 25 years of leading and guiding Marble's music ministry.

Ken has brought excellence, creativity, and imagination to this central role. But beyond these qualities, and even more importantly, Ken has given every part of himself and shared his deep spirituality with us all.

Thanks, Ken, and here's to many more years together!





VIRTUAL ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's Virtual Altar Flowers are in loving memory of **Dr. Arthur Caliandro** by Sandra Graham and Family.

WORSHIP

*Tune in live and remember to click on the chat bubble to engage with others.
View the archives at MarbleChurch.org/watch.*

#WeWo: Wednesday Worship, 6:15pm

January 6 — Rev. Rashad McPherson

Jesus Is a Love Song



Sunday Worship, 11:00am

January 10 — Dr. Michael Bos

We Were Made for More:

Not Giving Up on More

Part 2 of Sermon Series. Epiphany.

Special Prelude, 10:50am

Join us for this extended Prelude as we celebrate Kenneth Dake's 25th Anniversary as Marble's Director of Music.

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.*

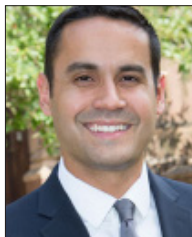
Virtual Jazz Vespers, 6:15pm

January 27 — Rev. Barbara Cawthorne Crafton

Shelter from the Storm

MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO STAY CONNECTED

We are blessed that there are many ways we can gather together online even as the physical distance created by the COVID-19 pandemic continues. Visit MarbleChurch.org for direct links, more details and the most up-to-date information.



Sunday Morning Bible Study: Luke and the Shape of Salvation

/ January 3 & 10, 10:00-10:40am — In the churches where some of us were nurtured, salvation largely meant one thing: What happens the moment you die? Where will you spend the after-life? The Gospel of Luke helps spark a wider imagination about what salvation might mean. Salvation, in Luke, is not just in the future but in the present. Led by Dr. Eric D. Barreto, Frederick and Margaret L. Weyerhaeuser Associate Professor of New Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary.

Christmastide Art Show — The Arts Ministry invites you to visit MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry to view a colorful virtual reality show in the Labyrinth Room. You can enjoy taking a 360-degree tour of an inspirational artistic experience.

More events on next page.

More at Marble

ON-GOING

Sunday Morning Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark / 10:00-10:40am — Returns January 17.

Prayer Circle via Video Chat / Sundays, 10:00-10:40am — Join us for this weekly time of prayer and music. All you need is a willing heart, an internet connection or telephone.

Bereavement Group / Every Monday, 11:00am-12:00pm — Are you mourning the loss of a loved one? You need not travel this road alone. Led by Dr. Ken Ruge. For video link and more information, contact Judy Tulin, (212) 686-2770, ext. 207.

Afternoon Prayer / Weekdays, 4:00-4:20pm — Wind down your day with a brief time of sharing and prayer, led by Marble ministers. Join us via video chat or call.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study / Weekly, 6:30-7:30pm — Join Rev. Anthony Livolsi via video chat for an in-depth discussion of the second half of the **Book of Acts**. Please contact Rev. Livolsi ahead of time for the week's reading, ALivolsi@MarbleChurch.org. **Please note, not meeting January 5 & 12.**

PrimeTime (55+) Online Gatherings / Wednesdays, 1:00pm — Gather via video chat or phone to visit with friends and meet new people. For details, contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org. **Returns on January 13.**

Chair Yoga / Every Thursday, 10:00-10:45am — Center yourself physically and spiritually with this beginner-friendly time of gentle movement.

Small Groups — Grow deeper spiritually and stay connected with others even though we are online only. Contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

CYF CORNER



MARBLE STORYTIME

Visit MarbleChurch.org to watch Rev. Brittany as she reads a book, ending with some questions for your family to ponder. Adults, it's also a treat for your inner child!

Latest story: **Greta and the Giants**

Previous stories also available.

ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHOIRS

All children welcome for Sunday School every week at 10:00am. **Cherub, Children's & Youth Choir Rehearsals resume January 10.** For more details, please contact Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin, BHanlin@MarbleChurch.org, or Brian Hampton, BHampton@MarbleChurch.org.



IF YOU NEED HELP — REACH OUT



If you need to speak to someone during these challenging times, call the **MARBLE CARE LINE** and a trained volunteer will be there to listen with a Christ-centered ear and a caring heart.

Call (800) 531-1913

Wednesdays through Sundays, 12:00-8:00pm

Available to adults 18 years and older.

For more details, visit MarbleChurch.org/give/marble-care-line or contact Rev. Susanah Wade, SWade@MarbleChurch.org, or Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.



STEPHEN MINISTRY AT MARBLE

Stephen Ministry is an integral part of the Marble Community — a one-to-one ministry that empowers lay members to provide high-quality, confidential, and Christ-centered care for those who are hurting. **If you or someone you know can use the services provided by this ministry**, or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please email StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org.

If you are in need of more in-depth, professional help with mental health issues, please reach out to the BLANTON-PEALE INSTITUTE & COUNSELING CENTER.
BlantonPeale.org

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

John B. Foley



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
 One cup of bless - ing which we bless. And
 we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one
 bod - y in this one Lord. 1. Gen-tile or Jew,
 2. Man - y the gifts,
 ser-vant or free, wo-man or man no more.
 man-y the works, one in the Lord of all.

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WE COME TO THE HUNGRY FEAST

Ray Makeever



1. We come to the hun-gry feast hun-gry for a word of peace.
 2. We come to the hun-gry feast hun-gry for a world re - leased
 3. We come to the hun-gry feast hun-gry that the hun - ger cease,
 To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
 from hun - gry folk of ev - ery kind, the poor in bod - y,
 and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay
 not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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SUPPORT MIDDLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH with OUR PRAYERS & GIFTS

On December 5, our sister congregation, Middle Collegiate Church, experienced a fire, and the sanctuary and building have been destroyed. Though a church is more than its building, this place holds so much meaning for so many people. Please join us in showing our love in a tangible way to help them rebuild from the ashes.

Donate at MarbleChurch.org, "Middle Collegiate Relief Fund".



ANTI-RACISM RESOURCES

Marble is dedicated to sharing the best resources we have found on learning and growing in our shared commitment to racial justice and anti-racism. Please visit MarbleChurch.org/anti-racism-resource-guide for a list of books, articles, podcasts and films so you can learn and help us in the on-going conversation.



PS30 TUTORING OPPORTUNITY

Marble continues its 6th year of tutoring to students at PS30 in Harlem. We are looking for new tutors to teach Math and English Language Arts to 2nd through 5th graders, Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays. You will be trained to tutor remotely via the Google classroom platform. For more information or to complete an application, please contact Rev. Susanah Wade, SWade@MarbleChurch.org or 212-686-2770.



TOUCHPOINT: THE MARBLE MAGAZINE

The December 2020/January 2021 issue is available at MarbleChurch.org/media/touchpointmagazine/.

Dr. Michael Bos invites us to move closer to Jesus and one another, Rev. J. Elise Brown reminds us that Jesus came into a world of uncertainty, Dr. Ken Ruge muses about walking and our editor reflects on the impact of sounds.

We have also printed and mailed this issue to everyone on the Marble mailing list as an extra way for us to connect. If you don't want to keep your printed copy, please share it to let others know about our amazing community. We will not be printing all our upcoming issues, so if you haven't already signed up to receive it via email, click on [Email Sign-Up](#) on middle of our home page and select *Touchpoint*. Of course, current and old issues are always available online.



MARBLE MASKS

Help protect others and yourself from COVID-19 by wearing a face mask with the Marble Church logo on it. \$9.95 each at MarbleChurch.org; buy 5 masks, get 1 free. These cotton masks are re-usable and come with an adjustable sliding ear loop to suit your head size for a more comfortable fit. **We wish you and yours good health!**



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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.