



COLLEGIATE CHURCH

WELCOME Thank You for Worshipping with Us Today!

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

By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of his mouth. He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; he put the deeps in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

- Psalm 33:6-8

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

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

Order of Service

Sunday

October 18, 2020

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.

PRELUDE Comes Autumn Time Leo Sowerby

Bryan Dunnewald, organist Recorded November 18, 2018

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT Awake, Awake to Love and Work. American folk hymn, arr. Dake

The Marble Choir

Recorded October 14, 2018

Awake, awake to love and work: the lark is in the sky, the fields are wet with diamond dew, the worlds awake to cry their blessings on the Lord of life as God goes meekly by. Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise, see how the giant sun soars up, great lord of years and days! So let the love of Jesus come and set thy soul ablaze to give and give and give again what God hath given thee, to spend thyself, nor count the cost, to serve right gloriously the God who gave all worlds that are, and all that are to be. — *G. A. Studdert-Kennedy*

HYMN 4 All Creatures of Our God and King Lasst uns erfreuen

Verses 1-4, and 7

Recorded April 24, 2016

Please refer to on-screen lyrics or online hymnal.

INVOCATION

ANTHEM Earth Song.....Frank Ticheli

Virtual Video: The Marble Choir

Sing, Be, Live, See...

This dark stormy hour, the wind, it stirs.

The scorched earth cries out in vain:

O war and power, you blind and blur.

The torn heart cries out in pain.

But music and singing have been my refuge,

And music and singing shall be my light.

A light of song, shining strong: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Through darkness and pain and strife, I'll sing,

I'll Be, Live, See...

Peace. — Frank Ticheli

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

For the Beauty of the Earth......Philip Stopford

The Marble Choir

Recorded September 22, 2019

Recorded September 22, 2019

Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 7 of bulletin.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God. **SERMON** Conversations We Need to Have: ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE Dr. Michael Bos Part 2 of Sermon Series **HYMN** Recorded September 22, 2019 Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 8 of bulletin. 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. Wake up, Everybody Originally recorded by Harold Melvin **ANTHEM** Virtual Video: Marble Community Gospel Choir and the Blue Notes Rev. Rashad McPherson, director **DOXOLOGY** Lasst uns erfreuen (The tune is that of Hymn 4.) Recorded January 5, 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** We Press On. Kenneth Dake Recorded January 13, 2019 POSTLUDE Spring from The Four Seasons......Antonio Vivaldi Recorded April 22, 2018

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Rev. Susanah Wade, Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D., Walker McSween, *lay reader*The Marble Choir; Marble Community Gospel Choir

Virtual video participant names on page 4.

Kenneth V. Dake, director of music

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TO ENGAGE IN CONVERSATION WITH OTHERS DURING THE LIVE STREAM OF WORSHIP

Please click on the chat bubble located on top right hand corner of your screen. If you are watching via Facebook Live, let us know you are there.

THE MARBLE CHOIR VIDEO

Rachel Barg Clark Baxtresser Joshua Bouchard Robbie Cowan Ethan Crystal Lila Duffy Ethan Garner David Michael Garry Phenisher Harris Brian Hurst Laura Inman Marcus Jefferson Mark Johnson Lauren-Rose King Tesia Kwarteng Jonathan May Alex McCoy Shelley Mihm Joan Mohre Kathryn Papa Max Parsons Nicholas Prior Martin Schreiner Elizabeth van Os Anna Willson

Kenneth Dake, director

MARBLE COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR VIDEO

Russell Barnes Ted Gregory Ronnie Rochester Tvneshia Hill Mary Starrs Boyle June Besson Cathy Cushion Steven Jackson Liz Testa Karl Dixon Bo Walker Karen Libetkin Nia Drummond Roberta Musolino Aronda Way Lynn Gallaher LeCora Okeagu Gina Wynn Susan Philips Karen Gourgey

Rev. Rashad McPherson, *director* Evan Ferguson, *piano*; DeVaughn Denegall, *bass*; Joshua Simpson, *drums*





If you need to speak to someone during these challenging times – if you feel lonely, have experienced loss, lost your job, lost a loved one, are ill or perhaps you feel stuck and cannot decide how to move forward, call the Marble Care Line and get support. A trained volunteer will be there to listen to you with a Christ-centered ear, a caring heart and a commitment to keeping all you share in confidence. You do not need to walk this journey alone.

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.



MARBLE MASKS

Proudly wear one of our face masks with the Marble Church logo, white logo or full-color logo; \$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 for a good fit.

Help protect others and yourself from COVID-19 by wearing masks, practice social distancing and good hand washing hygiene. We wish you good health!

Spotlight



ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES TO STAY CONNECTED

Visit MarbleChurch.org/marble-online/ for direct links and the most up-to-date information.

We are blessed that we can gather together online for Worship and other events, even as the physical distance created by the COVID-19 pandemic continues. There are many ways for us to stay connected.

GIFTS: LGBTQ Fellowship Virtual Coffee Hour / TODAY! Sunday, October 18, 12:00pm — LGBTQ people and allies, bring your own coffee and check in via video chat.

All Saints' Concert Photo Submissions, DEADLINE TODAY! — Share your digital photo of a departed loved one for inclusion in our Virtual Concert Memorial, airing during Eternal Voices: A Concert of Remembrance on November 1. Please send up to two digital photos per family to Jen Clover, JClover@MarbleChurch.org. Due to COVID-19, we are unable to accept mailed photos this year. Those without photos may submit up to two names per family for inclusion.

Women's Sacred Writing Circle / Continues Sundays, October 18 & 25, 7:00-8:00pm — Gather virtually to learn, pray and write together—a place to find a bit of hope in this new season. Come to all or as many as you can. Visit MarbleChurch.org for direct link or contact Don Piper, DPiper@MarbleChurch.org.

New Small Groups — Grow deeper spiritually and stay connected with others even though we are online only. New groups: Faith and Feminism, started Sunday, October 11; The Gifts of Imperfection, started Wednesday, October 14; Unafraid, started Friday, October 16; Learning to Walk in the Dark, starts Monday, October 19; Keeping Hope Alive, starts Monday, October 26. Visit MarbleChurch.org or contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.



Through the Bible 2020 Online Gathering / Monday, October 19, 6:30-7:30pm — Jeremiah: Friend and Foe. Jeremiah would be at home in many political circles today—his message changes with the times. What was happening in his world that prompted him to address his people both lovingly and harshly? We will also explore the city lament in Lamentations, a book that tradition holds is written by Jeremiah. Please read poem on website in advance. Interactive session with Rev. Dr. Julie Faith Parker, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at The

General Theological Seminary. Next session: Sunday, October 25, **Sr. Carol Perry,** *Don't Muzzle the Prophets*, an Old Testament review. Inquiries to Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

More events on next page.

WORSHIP

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



Jazz Vespers Wednesday, October 21, 6:15pm

Join us online for this casual service of jazz and meditation. Message by Rev. Rashad McPherson.



Sunday Worship, 11:00am October 25 — Conversations We Need to Have: About Race

Dr. Michael Bos *Part 3 of Sermon Series*. *Talk Back follows Worship: Marble, Racial Justice and Our Future*.

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.

Young Adult Pub Theology / **Monday, October 19, 7:00pm** — Grab a beverage and gather online for a casual conversation on faith and life. Monthly, third Monday. Contact Rev. Anthony, ALivolsi@MarbleChurch.org.



Talk Back: A Conversation About Racial Justice / Sunday, October 25, 12:00pm — Stay online after Worship for this special Talk Back about *Marble, Racial Justice and Our Future* with Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. Susanah Wade and Marble Board member, Ted Gregory.



Hallowtide Evening of Remembrance: Together We Rise in Hope / Friday, October 30, 7:00pm — Be uplifted and comforted during this service with Dr. Kenneth Ruge, Rev. Barbara Cawthorne Crafton, Rev. J. Elise Brown, and through the magic of technology, Dr. Arthur Caliandro. Music by Rev. Rashad McPherson and Deah Harriott. Hosted by Marble

Women's Ministry. Email names of loved ones to be included in the virtual Altar of Remembrance by October 24 to Don Piper, DPiper@MarbleChurch.org.



Virtual Halloween Party / Saturday, October 31, 1:00-3:00pm — Just because we aren't able to meet in person doesn't mean Halloween is canceled! We've moved the party online. Invite your friends, get your costumes ready and join us for an afternoon of Halloween festivities: crafts, treats, and a classic Halloween movie. Each registered child receives a "party package" in the mail with craft materials and other treats. Register online. Questions? Contact Rev. Brittany (BHanlin@MarbleChurch.org).



Eternal Voices: A Concert of Remembrance / Sunday, November 1, 12:00pm — Remain online following Worship to join Kenneth Dake, The Marble Choir and Festival of Voices as they offer a musical tribute to honor the legacy of those Saints who have crossed over, as well as the many souls whose lives have been tragically cut short by Covid-19. Through music that

transcends boundaries between heaven and earth, may their eternal voices continue to sing through our hearts and lives.

Membership Orientation Sessions / Sundays, November 8 & 15, 12:00-1:00pm—Whether you're local or online only and wherever you are in your faith journey, deepen your connection and become a Marble member. Join us for two sessions via video chat. For more details, contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch.org.

Norman Vincent Peale Awards for Positive Thinking / Monday, November 9, 6:30pm: Pre-Show; 7:00pm: Program & Paddle Raise — This year Blanton Peale honors Marble's own Stephanie M. Bailey, Elder and former Board Chair, along with Joe Namath and Schott Shute. On YouTube, hosted by Rev. Dr. Shari Brink, President and CEO, and Keyon Dooling, Former NBA player, celebrating Mental and Spiritual Health: Healing, Growing, Flourishing and supporting those hit hard by the pandemic. Register at blantonpeale.org/event/2020-norman-vincent-peale-virtual-awards/. Questions? Contact Alex, aingrassano@blantonpeale.org.

ON-GOING

Sunday Morning Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark / **Weekly, 10:00-10:40am** — This fall, join us for a read through of the Gospel of Mark. Can't tune in live? View the archive at **MarbleChurch.org/watch**.

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.

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.

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

WE CANNOT OWN THE SUNLIT SKY

Endless Song, attrib. Robert Lowry, 1869



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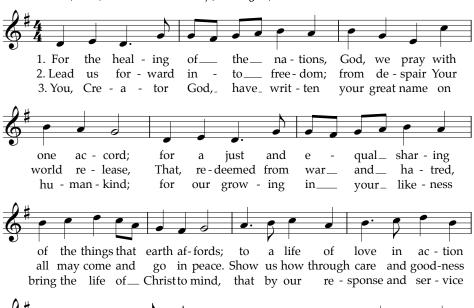


ANTI-RACISM RESOURCES

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 ongoing conversation.

FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS

Text: Fred Kaan, 1965; Tune: Cwm Rhondda by John Hughes, 1907



help us rise and pledge our word, help us rise_ and_ pledge our word. fear will die and hope in - crease, fear will die_ and_ hope in - crease. earth its des - ti - ny may find, earth its des - ti - ny may find.

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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 October/November 2020 issue is available at Marble-Church.org/media/touchpointmagazine/. Dr. Michael Bos introduces our theme for the year, Rev. J. Elise Brown shares a story showing how small things matter, members of the Gospel Choir reflect on their March on Washington and our editor writes about air in our tires.

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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.

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.