



**MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH**  
**Where We Discover We Were Made for More**

**First Sunday in Advent, November 28, 2021**

*PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES*

*Special Advent Preludes, 10:45am. Grace Notes – Inside the Music returns in January.*

**MASTERWORKS HERALDING THE PRINCE OF PEACE (10:45am)**

Ballade . . . . . Claude Debussy  
Sicilienne Variée . . . . . Jean Michel Damase  
Adam Phan, *harp*

**WELCOME**

**LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH**

Barbara Costigan, Jerome Amanquiton

**INTROIT**

People, Look East. . . . . *French Carol*, arr. Stephen Caracciolo  
People, look east, the time is near for the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table. People, look east, and sing today, Love, the Guest is on the way. Furrows be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there. Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in time the flow'r may flourish. People, look east, and sing today, Love, the Rose, is on the way. Stars keep their watch when night is dim, one more light the bowl shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together. People, look east, and sing today, Love, the Star, is on the way. Angels announce with shouts of mirth Him who brings new life to earth. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, "The Lord is coming." People look east, and sing today, Love, the Lord, is on the way! – *Eleanor Farjeon*

**HYMN 184 O Come, O Come Immanuel** (*verses 1-3*) . . . . . *Veni Immanuel*  
*Please refer to hymnal (in pew/online) or on-screen lyrics.*

**INVOCATION**

**ANTHEM**

Never Weather-Beaten Sail . . . . . C. Hubert H. Parry  
*In his poem entitled "O Come Quickly", English Renaissance poet Thomas Campion (1567-1620) prays for relief from the struggles of life that have left his spirit ("sprite") exhausted and troubled. He asks the Lord to "come quickly" and lift his soul to a place of total rest and peace, where the senses are ageless in their perfection, and where God's glory shines even brighter than the sun.*

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,  
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more  
Than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:  
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.  
Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise,  
Cold age deafs not there our ears nor vapor dims our eyes.  
Glory there the sun outshines, whose beams the blessed only see:  
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to Thee! – *Thomas Campion*

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** **Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending** ..... Helmsley  
*Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 3 of bulletin.*

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE ..... Luke 21:25-36  
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** **Advent & the Journey of Life:  
FOLLOWING THE SIGNS** ..... Dr. Michael Bos  
*Part 1 of Sermon Series*

**HYMN 464** **Love Divine, All Loves Excelling** ..... Hyfrydol  
*Please refer to hymnal (in pew/online) 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.*

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION  
Wachet Auf, Ruft Uns Die Stimme ..... J.S. Bach  
(Wake Up, the Voice Calls Us)  
*This chorale-prelude and today's postlude based on Hymn 606, Sleepers, Wake!*

**ADVENT HYMN**  
**Emmanuel** ..... Kenneth Dake

Em-man-u - el, Em-man-u - el, O come with - in my life to  
dwell, Please make my heart your manger stall, Be born a - new with-in this  
soul, Em man-u - el, Em man-u - el, Em man-u - el, Em man-u - el.

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Wachet Auf, Ruft Uns Die Stimme ..... Sigfrid Karg-Elert

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE  
Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D., Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin  
Paula Hazlewood, *lay reader*  
The Marble Choir, Kenneth V. Dake, *director of music*

**Advent Blog: Hope Out of Darkness – through December 24**  
Experience light, love, and hope through the stories, poems, and music from women of faith at **MarbleWomen.com** each day in Advent. Sponsored by the Marble Women’s Ministry geared for all who need to start the day with hope.

## WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

If you can't join us live, view archives at [MarbleChurch.org/Watch](http://MarbleChurch.org/Watch)



### The Gathering – Midweek Worship Wednesday, December 1, 6:15pm

**What it Means to Wait with Hope** – Rev. Anthony Livolsi

This week, please join us in the Sanctuary. See page 5.

### Sunday Worship, December 5 – 11:00am

**Advent & the Journey of Life:**

**Living with Expectation** – Dr. Michael Bos

Part 2 of Sermon Series. 1st Sunday in Advent.

**In-Person Worship** – We have joined NYC and other faith communities in requiring proof of full vaccination for those 12 and older to attend Worship and other events. We also continue to require everyone age 2 or older to wear a mask and maintain social distancing. Anything we can do to keep one another safe is an act of love. Registration not required to attend, if we remain under our 250 limit. For details including updated safety protocols, visit [MarbleChurch.org](http://MarbleChurch.org).



## LO! HE COMES WITH CLOUDS DESCENDING

Text: Charles Wesley, 1758; Tune: *Helmsley*



1. Lo! he comes with clouds descending, once for
2. Now re - demp - tion, long ex - pect - ed, comes in
3. Yea, a - men! let all adore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand, thou - sand  
sol - emn splen - dor near; all the saints this  
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
world re - ject - ed thrill the trum - pet sound to  
pow'r and glo - ry, claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
hear: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,  
own: O come quick - ly, O come quick - ly,



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
Al - le - lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear!  
O come quick - ly, Al - le - lu - ia! Come, Lord, come.

## Life at Marble

Visit [MarbleChurch.org](http://MarbleChurch.org) for more events, details, and most up-to-date information.

### BEFORE WORSHIP



**Prayer Circle – 9:30am, Zoom.** Weekly time of prayer and music. All you need is a willing heart, an internet connection or telephone. *Every week.*

**Sunday Morning Bible Study: The Book of Ruth – 10:00am, Marble Loft.**

Attend in person (*limited-capacity*), or stream at [MarbleChurch.org](http://MarbleChurch.org). Ruth's is a remarkable story that touches upon themes of loss, hope, identity, aging, motherhood, friendship across racial and ethnic difference, and feminism. Led by Rev. Anthony Livolsi. If you miss a session or want to see again, view archive at [MarbleChurch.org/Watch](http://MarbleChurch.org/Watch).

### CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



**Sunday School & Youth Group – Pre-K – 6th Grades Classes: 10:00am. Children's Choir: 11:10am. Youth Choir: 10:00am. 7th-12th Grade attend 11:00am Worship, followed by Youth Group at 12:00pm. Please note, no infant or toddler childcare this fall.** For details, please contact Brian Hampton, [BHampton@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:BHampton@MarbleChurch.org) or Rev. Brittany, [BHanlin@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:BHanlin@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! Please contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, [KRyan@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:KRyan@MarbleChurch.org), for details or to sign up.

### UPCOMING



**GIFTS: LGBTQ Fellowship / December 1 & 2** – We encourage you to join us at two special events: The Gathering – Midweek Worship on World AIDS Day and Paris Is Still Burning/Ballroom Culture part of the Racial Justice Series. *Please see page 5.*

**Bereavement Group / Every Monday, 11:00am-12:00pm** – For those mourning the loss of a loved one. Led by Dr. Bill Lutz, via Zoom. Contact Judy Tulin.

**Afternoon Prayer / Tuesdays, 4:00-4:20pm** – Wind down your day with a brief time of sharing and prayer. Via Zoom video chat or phone.

**Tuesday Evening Bible Study / 6:30pm** – A yearlong read-through of the Gospel of Matthew. Led by Rev. Anthony Livolsi via Zoom. Link at [MarbleChurch.org](http://MarbleChurch.org).

**PrimeTime (55+) Online Gatherings / Wednesday, December 1, 1:00pm** – Dr. Jeannette Aycock with simple steps for faith-based self-care. Gather via Zoom or phone. Join us for the *Radio City Christmas Spectacular* on **December 8**, Contact Baleta McKenzie, [BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org).

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

**Comfort and Joy: A Christmas Celebration / Saturday, December 11, 12:00pm** – The Women's Ministry gathers online to savor extraordinary moments of Christmas without the stress of traveling. Enjoy music, shared meaningful memories, a holiday-focused game and more. **Register at [MarbleChurch.org/comfortandjoymwm](http://MarbleChurch.org/comfortandjoymwm) by December 4** to receive a special gift for the party.

**Caregivers Support Group / Saturday, December 11, 1:00-3:00pm** – Please contact leader Rev. Marion Gambardella ([magambardella@yahoo.com](mailto:magambardella@yahoo.com)). *Note, no January meeting.*

**Online Tea Time with Kim & Siobhan: Virtual Christmas Market Walk / Wednesday, December 15, 1:00pm** – Join us on Zoom for a virtual walk through one of England's wonderful Christmas Markets. *Please note, day and time change.*

### HELP OTHERS

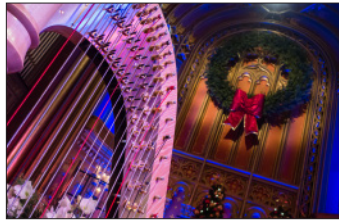


**Operation Santa Letters** – *Please see page 5.*

**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 and 29th St Prayer Room.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry / Monday, December 6, 5:00pm** – Gather for prayer and creating together via Zoom to knit/crochet prayer shawls for the ill or homebound. Contact Judy Tulin ([JTulin@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:JTulin@MarbleChurch.org)). *1st & 3rd Mondays.*

## Spotlight



### MASTERWORKS HERALDING THE PRINCE OF PEACE

**Special Preludes during Advent, 10:45am  
Sundays, November 28 – December 19**

Join us before Worship for this special time of music and quiet meditation. *Generously underwritten by Lynda Packard in loving memory of her parents, John and Lynn Packard.*



**TODAY:** Adam Phan, *harp*

December 5 **Trio Elysium:**  
Janet Arms, *flute*; Ryan Walsh, *oboe*  
Alexander Davis, *bassoon*



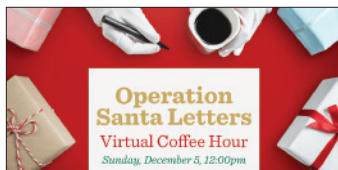
### ADVENT – THE GATHERING: MIDWEEK WORSHIP Wednesday, December 1, 6:15pm

Join us in the Sanctuary for this Advent Worship on World AIDS Day, ***What it Means to Wait in Hope***, led by Rev. J. Elise Brown and Rev. Anthony Livolsi. Music by Ken Dake and special guest, Joshua Coyne, *violin*.



### PARIS IS STILL BURNING: BALLROOM CULTURE AND THE RE-MAKING OF QUEER FAMILIES Thursday December 2, 7:00pm, online

Marginalized by anti-Black racism, police harassment, and the homophobia of religious/socially conservative households, Black, Brown, and Caribbean queer folk created Ballroom as a response to social ostracism and rising LGBTQIA homelessness. The young people who brought ballroom to life were gay, trans, and gender-queer Black, Brown, and Caribbean young people; many of whom had been ostracized from their biological families. In this talk we explore the intersection of Black and/or Brown and/or queer identities; discussing also barriers that persist impeding full inclusion to family, faith communities and society for queer people.



### OPERATION SANTA LETTERS VIRTUAL ALL-CHURCH COFFEE HOUR Sunday, December 5, 12:15pm

Santa and his new Head Elf need your help! Join us on Zoom for fellowship and a chance to help others this Christmas.



### POINSETTIAS FOR THE SANCTUARY Please Contribute by Sunday, December 5

Pay tribute in honor or memory of someone with a Poinsettia placed in the Sanctuary. Names will be listed onscreen at the end of Worship on Sunday, December 19, as well as in the online bulletin. To pay tribute to someone, please visit [MarbleChurch.org/Poinsettias](https://MarbleChurch.org/Poinsettias) or call Clay Hale at (212) 686-2770 to make your donation. *Please note: you can mail checks, however, it's important to talk to Clay to make sure your names get added to the list.*



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**Keep the conversation going – Marble on Social Media**   

**For staff list and email addresses, please visit [MarbleChurch.org/about/staff](http://MarbleChurch.org/about/staff)**



**ANTICIPATION AND CELEBRATION  
Virtual Reality Art Exhibit  
through December 31**

Visual and literary artists depict the exciting and colorful sights of the Advent and Christmas season. To view, visit [MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry](http://MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry).



**Visit [MARBLEGIFTSHOP.COM](http://MARBLEGIFTSHOP.COM)** for some of your gift shopping this year! There are books, jewelry, Christmas items, CDs, household goods and more. Proceeds further the mission of Marble.

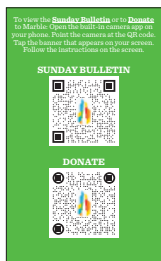
**IF YOU NEED HELP – REACH OUT**

**Call the Marble Care Line, 800-531-1913**, Wednesdays through Sundays, 12:00-8:00pm (available to adults 18 years and older). A trained volunteer will be there to listen.

**Marble’s Stephen Ministers** may be able to help you with spiritual/emotional support in difficult times. Email: [StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org)

**The Marble Prayer Ministry Team** is here to pray for you. Submit requests on bottom of any page at [MarbleChurch.org](http://MarbleChurch.org).

**Blanton-Peale Counseling Center** – 212-725-7850, [blantonpeale.org](http://blantonpeale.org)



**FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING WITH US IN THE SANCTUARY –  
QR Codes Available to Donate & Access Sunday Bulletin**

See the green cards in pew racks to contribute to the Offering (*donation boxes also available*) and to view a digital version of the bulletin.

Point and focus your smartphone camera app to the QR code, tap the banner that appears on screen, then follow instructions.

We want to be good stewards of the earth God created, so although a small quantity of printed bulletins are available, we encourage you to use the digital bulletin so we can limit the amount of paper we use.

Use of photographic and recording devices is not permitted during the service. Assistive Listening System, Large print and Braille copies of bulletin available—ask an usher. The south central pews of our Sanctuary are equipped with an Induction Hearing Loop. If your hearing aid has a T-coil, please toggle to that setting to receive our audio signal directly without any headset needed.

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