



## **MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH**

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

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

***Let love be genuine;  
hate what is evil,  
hold fast to what  
is good; love one  
another with mutual  
affection; outdo one  
another in showing  
honor. Do not lag  
in zeal, be ardent in  
spirit, serve the Lord.  
Rejoice in hope, be  
patient in suffering,  
persevere in prayer.  
Contribute to the  
needs of the saints;  
extend hospitality  
to strangers.***

*— Romans 12:9-13*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020**

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

# Order of Service

Sunday

August 30, 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.**

**Grace Notes: Inside the Music on summer hiatus.**

PRELUDE    Sinfonia Concertante in E-flat, K. 364 . . . . . Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
                 III. Presto  
                 Christine Kwak, *violin*; Wei-Yang Andy Lin, *viola*  
                 *Recorded August 16, 2015*

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT     Psalm 57 . . . . . John Tebay  
                 The Marble Choir  
                 *Recorded October 22, 2017*  
                 Awake, awake! The lute and harp, awaken now the dawn! Awake, awake my glory rise to praise  
                 the King of Heav'n! Alleluia! And in the shadow of Thy wing I will find refuge for my soul. O God be  
                 gracious unto me; send Thy loving-kindness. I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord. I will sing praises  
                 to Thy name. Be Thou exalted far above the heav'ns.

**HYMN 618    Come, Thou Almighty King . . . . . Italian Hymn**  
                 *Recorded February 19, 2017*  
                 *Please refer to on-screen lyrics or online hymnal on streaming page.*

INVOCATION

ANTHEM     Take My Life . . . . . Aaron David Miller  
                 The Marble Choir  
                 *Recorded October 22, 2017*  
                 Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to Thee; take my moments and my days; let  
                 them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my  
                 intellect and use every pow'r as Thou shalt choose. Take my voice and let me sing always, only,  
                 for my King. Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love; take my feet and let  
                 them be swift and beautiful for Thee. Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
                 Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne. Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy  
                 feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee. — *Frances Havergal*

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

Ubi Caritas . . . . . *Taizé*  
*Recorded November 12, 2017*

**HYMN        Jesu, Jesu . . . . . Chereponi, Ghana folk song**  
                 *Recorded November 12, 2017*  
                 *Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 7 of bulletin.*

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE . . . . . Romans 12:9-21  
                 Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
                 **All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON     A BETTER VERSION OF YOU . . . . . Dr. Kenneth Ruge**

SOLO Least of These. . . . . Matt Maher and John Tibbs  
Nathan Scott Hancock, *soloist*; Julia Kang, *cello*  
*Recorded August 25, 2019*  
I'm a stranger in a foreign land. Passing through, when will I be home again? You remind me nothing here is permanent but Your words and Your faithfulness. I was hungry, I was thirsty, I was weary, you let me in. *Refrain: When love became a refugee, He became my refuge. When love became a prisoner, He set me free. The widow and the orphan became the bride and children when He stole my heart between two thieves. That's when Love became the least of these.* I'm a beggar on the pilgrim's road. Chasing echoes of a voice I hear among the poor. I'm a stranger in a foreign land. Oh the memories of the love that calls the broken things to mend. *Refrain.* I was hungry, I was thirsty, I was weary, you let me in. So were You hungry? Were You thirsty? Wherever you're weary I will let you in. *Refrain.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALL FOR OFFERING

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ANTHEM Let Us Love in Deed and Truth . . . . . Larry King  
The Marble Choir  
*Recorded May 21, 2017*  
If anyone has the world's goods and see his neighbor in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Let us not love in word or speech, but in deed and truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth: we have confidence before our God, and we receive from God whatever we ask, because we keep God's commandments and do what pleases Him. And this is God's commandment, that we should believe in the Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another. — 1 John 3:17-23

HYMN **O For a World.** . . . . . Azmon  
*Recorded February 3, 2019*  
*Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 7 of bulletin.*

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Because He Lives . . . . . Gloria and Bill Gaither  
*Recorded April 1, 2018*

POSTLUDE Grand Choeur . . . . . Theodore Dubois  
*Recorded July 14, 2019*

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE

Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin, Regina Cummings, *lay reader*  
The Marble Choir, Kenneth V. Dake, *director of music*



**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.*

**AFFIRMATION OF COLLEGIATE CONSISTORY NOMINEES** — The following members have been chosen to serve as Deacons of Marble Collegiate Church: Brenda W. Walker and Renier van Aswegen. Will you please support them with your prayers? We look forward to ordaining and installing them soon.

**ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES** — *Please see pages 5 & 6.*



Life as we know it has changed drastically and with this has emerged a number of spiritual and emotional needs in our communities. The Marble Care Line Ministry is intended to help us spread God's love and hope through caring support. The Care Line's trained volunteers provide non-judgmental, active listening to callers. If you need to speak to someone during these challenging times – perhaps 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 the support you need. A trained volunteer will be there to listen to you with a Christ-centered ear, a caring heart and a commitment to keeping all that you share in confidence. You do not need to walk this journey alone – we are here to walk alongside you.

**Call (800) 531-1913, Wednesdays through Sundays, 12:00-8:00pm**

*Available to adults 18 years and older.*

For more details, visit [MarbleChurch.org/careline](http://MarbleChurch.org/careline) or contact Rev. Susanah Wade, [SWade@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:SWade@MarbleChurch.org), or Judy Tulin, [JTulin@MarbleChurch.org](mailto: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](mailto:StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org).



#### **MARBLE CARE FUND: A Lifeline in Times of Crisis**

Help those within the Marble Family in due to the COVID-19 crisis. Please donate at [MarbleChurch.org/CareFund](http://MarbleChurch.org/CareFund), text any amount to **GIVEMCC Care** to 73256 (*standard messaging rates apply*), or mail check payable to Marble Collegiate Church with Marble Care Fund in memo (*keep in mind processing takes longer*).

The Marble Care Fund is intended as a source of last resort, to be used when a church member or regular attendee requesting assistance has explored all other possibilities of help. **If you are someone in need of help, the Marble Care Fund Request Form for Emergency Assistance and more details are available at [MarbleChurch.org/CareFund](http://MarbleChurch.org/CareFund).** The Marble Care Fund Committee will make every effort to process the request within ten business days.

For inquiries, email [CareFund@MarbleChurch.org](mailto:CareFund@MarbleChurch.org).

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### ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES TO STAY CONNECTED

Visit [marblechurch.org/moving-online](http://marblechurch.org/moving-online) for direct links and the most up-to-date information.

In the midst of the physical distance the COVID-19 crisis has created between us, we are blessed that we can gather together online! Here are ways for us to stay connected during this time.



**Prayer Circle via Video Chat / TODAY! Sunday, August 30, 10:00-10:40am** — Join us for this time of prayer and music. All you need is a willing heart, an internet connection or telephone. **Please note, not September 6; returns September 13.**

**Sunday Morning Bible Study / Returns, Sunday, September 13, 10:00-10:40am** — Join Rev. Anthony Livolsi for this come-as-you-are, no-experience-necessary voyage through the Bible.

**Women's Ministry Virtual Coffee Hour / Sunday, September 13, 12:00pm** — All women invited as we kick off our new program year. Learn about our theme for 2020-2021, **Together We Rise: Trust. Hope. Act.** and hear about upcoming events. Newcomers encouraged to attend. Please register online by September 12. Inquiries to Don Piper, DPiper@MarbleChurch.org.

**Wednesday Virtual Jazz Vespers / September 23, 6:15pm** — Join us for a midweek service of spiritual renewal featuring accomplished jazz musicians under the direction of Chris Whittaker. Dr. Michael Bos explores Matthew 25:1-13 in his meditation, **Ready**, a hopeful look at how we can work with what God has given us today to prepare for a future full of possibility.

### ON-GOING

**Midweek Devotional / Wednesdays, 12:00-12:30pm** — Join the Marble ministers for a time of spiritual conversation. Via video chat or call.

*More events on next page.*

### WORSHIP

*Tune in live or view the archive.  
Remember to click on the chat bubble to engage with others.*

**Wednesdays, 6:15pm**  
**Please note, no WeWo September 2.**  
**September 9** — Rev. Rashad McPherson

**Sundays, 11:00am**  
**September 6** — **That Ancient Blessing**, Sister Carol Perry  
**September 13** — **Courage to Face the Future: Facing Uncertainty**  
Dr. Michael Bos. *Part 1 of Sermon Series.*

**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.

**Bereavement Group / Every Monday, 11:00am-12:00pm** — Are you mourning the loss of a loved one? You need not travel this road alone. Share your story in a confidential atmosphere of love and faith. Led by Dr. Ken Ruge. For video link and more information, contact Judy Tulin, (212) 686-2770, ext. 207. **Please note, not Monday, September 7.**

**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. **Please note, not meeting Friday, September 4 & Monday, September 7.**

**Children of God Storybook Bible / Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1:00pm** — Read through Archbishop Desmond Tutu's *Children of God Storybook Bible* with Rev. Brittany on Instagram.

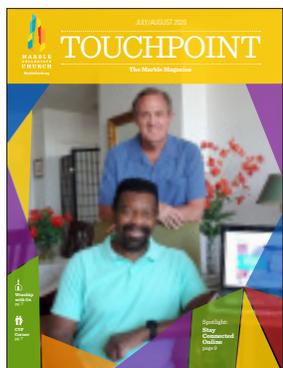
**Chair Yoga / Every Thursday, 10:00-10:45am** — Center yourself physically and spiritually with this beginner-friendly time of gentle movement. **Please note, no session September 3.**

**Social Media** — Connect with us and your fellow congregants through Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Vimeo.

**Call Ministry** — If you would like to help us call people from our congregation who live alone and might feel isolated, please fill out the online form or call us, 212-686-2770, 9:00am-5:00pm, to be added to the call list.



**Encouraging Word** — Hear an uplifting recorded message from one of Marble's ministers at 212-686-2774. The messages change periodically and are available 24/7.



### **TOUCHPOINT: THE MARBLE MAGAZINE**

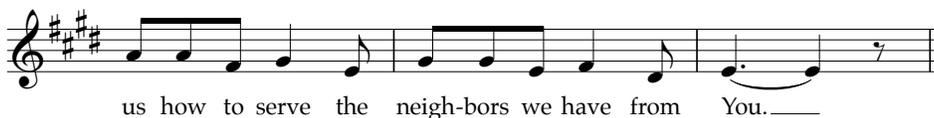
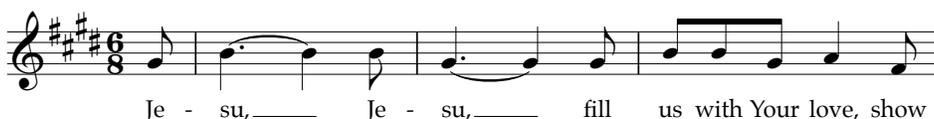
The July/August 2020 issue is available at [MarbleChurch.org/connect/newsletters](https://MarbleChurch.org/connect/newsletters). Dr. Michael Bos writes about being thankful in tough times, Rev. J. Elise Brown explores the process of re-opening, Mario Sprouse shares his powerful essay on the death of George Floyd and our editor, Karla Fritsch, reflects on the process of breaking open.

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## JESU, JESU

Text: Tom Colvin, 1963; Tune: *Chereponi*, Ghana folk song



1. Kneels at the feet of His friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2. Neigh - bors are rich \_\_\_\_\_ and poor, var - ied in co - lor and
3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, show - ing our faith by our



feet, Mas - ter who acts as a ser - vant to them. \_\_\_\_\_  
 race, neigh - bors are near - by and far \_\_\_\_\_ a - way. \_\_\_\_\_  
 love. All \_\_\_\_\_ are neigh - bors to us \_\_\_\_\_ and You. \_\_\_\_\_  
 deeds; this is the way we should live \_\_\_\_\_ with You. \_\_\_\_\_

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## O FOR A WORLD

Text: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987; Music: *Azmon* by Carl Gläser, 1828



1. O for a world where ev - ery - one re -
2. O for a world where goods are shared and
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and
4. The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the
5. O for a world pre - par - ing for God's



spects each oth - er's ways, Where love is lived and  
 mis - er - y re - lieved, Where truth is spo - ken,  
 strug - gle with each choice That o - pens us to  
 fool - ish ones are wise. Tell all who mourn: out -  
 glori - ous reign of peace, Where time and tears will



all is done with \_\_\_\_\_ jus - tice and with praise.  
 chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.  
 u - ni - ty and \_\_\_\_\_ gives our vi - sion voice.  
 casts be - long, who \_\_\_\_\_ per - ish - es will rise.  
 be no more and \_\_\_\_\_ all but love will cease.



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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, Peter Barnett, T. Hunter Dare, Marcelle E. Doll (*Vice Chair*)  
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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.