

MARBLE UPDATE

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FEBRUARY 2010

SUNDAY WORSHIP 11AM

Dr. Michael Brown
preaching

Schedule for Live webcast
at www.marblechurch.org

10am – Bible Study with
Sr. Carol Perry

11am – Worship Service

12:15pm – Talkback with
Dr. Brown

12:45pm – Replay of
Bible Study

1:30pm – Adult Education

TV – Fridays @ 4:30pm,
MNN Time Warner Ch. 67
and RCN Ch. 85

Radio – Sundays @ 7pm,
WOR Radio/710-AM

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP 6:15PM

(Lenten Worship
begins Ash Wednesday,
February 17.
Details on pg 2)

Lent: A Season of Reflection

Didn't we just finish the Christmas season? Didn't we just throw out the wrappers, take down the trees, and mail in the warranties? How is it possible that suddenly we are thinking of Lent? Well, ready or not, here it comes.

February 17 is Ash Wednesday. It is the day in which we enter the season of Lent, the season that culminates in the unparalleled celebration of Easter Sunday. But the path to victory begins with self-examination, confession, and penitence. That is the nature of Ash Wednesday. And those are central themes of Lent.

Psychologists tell us that guilt is the most debilitating of all the human emotions. Among American adults, the third strongest fear we experience (behind the fear of speaking in public and the fear of death) is "the fear of being found out." In short, a lot of people struggle with guilt – whether earned or imagined. Why, then, would the Christian Church set aside a whole season for self-examination, confession, and penitence? That sounds like we are surrendering to a dangerous reality (that being the persistent reality of guilt), perhaps even perpetuating it.

Actually, that is not what Lent is about at all. Rather, it is a time in which we observe and contemplate the loving life of Christ – who He was, what He did, how He sacrificed, and how deeply He loved. Then, we assess our own lives and spiritual journeys over against His. That is not done in order to feel unworthy or inadequate. Instead,



Christ becomes our model, our barometer for what it means to be people of integrity and meaning.

I was having breakfast not long ago with John and Christine Spong. We were talking about Incarnation and why Jesus came to earth. Bishop Spong said, "I think He came to show us how to be authentically human." That is not guilt-inducing at all. Rather, it establishes

Jesus as a model – someone who points the way to life worth living. During Lent we contemplate His life, sometimes over against what we have thus far made of our own, and "penitence" simply becomes an inner determination to live authentically, as He did, and thus to find a life worth living. The Day of Days (Easter) brings with it the promise of Life Eternal. But prior to that, we focus on what it means to live in this world in these days, and in so doing to find Life Abundant.

So, as of February 17, welcome to Lent: a season of reflection and introspection, a season when Worship takes on a new depth of meaning, a season when Liturgy and Sacrament express mysteries too deep for words, a season in which we consider Christ and consider self, and hopefully a season in which we find a life actually worth living.

- MARBLE CURRICULUM FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH
- PROGRAM MINISTRIES
- SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT
- OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE
- MARBLE MATTERS

Sunday Worship, 11am DR. MICHAEL B. BROWN PREACHING

FEBRUARY 7
Does Anyone Remember
Ricky Nelson?
Proverbs 12:1-3

FEBRUARY 14
Roses and Chocolates
1 Corinthians 13

FEBRUARY 21
The Road to Jerusalem
Luke 9:51-62

FEBRUARY 28
The Road to Jericho
Luke 10:25-37

Lent 2010

FEEDING OUR HUNGER

*Beginning Ash Wednesday,
February 17, 6:15pm*

Lent is a time to embrace our weaknesses, which send us toward God. The 2010 Lenten season at Marble Church will dwell with the issue of our hunger. Hungers are in our stomachs, our hearts, and our souls. Hunger shows us that we are not self-sufficient; we need things that come from outside of us: food, water, kindness, peace, justice, love. Therefore, hunger draws us into relationships – with God and others – that nourish and satisfy.

Each Wednesday in Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday, February 17, we will worship together at 6:15pm. The evening services will be quiet and reflective with singing, silence, prayer, and short meditations on scriptural passages dealing with the theme of hunger. During each service, we will be fed at Christ's table through Holy Communion.

Throughout Lent, Marble's various ministries will organize events that draw our attention to different aspects of hunger. Ministers of the

church will also provide resources for anyone wishing to observe the spiritual discipline of fasting – going without food for certain periods of time – so that this practice is done safely.

Lent culminates in Holy Week, the first week in April, when we hungry pilgrims follow Jesus into Jerusalem, through Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and to Easter morning.

LENTEN WORSHIP

Wednesdays through March 24 @ 6:15pm

Inspiring music, meditative worship, and Holy Communion help you reflect on your own spiritual hunger for Jesus. The labyrinth is available in Burrell Hall for contemplative walking before and after the service, 5 to 9pm, each Wednesday in Lent.

February 17/Ash Wednesday – Services at 12:45 (today only) and 6:15pm. Ashes are distributed following both services and from 5:30-6pm in Poling Chapel. Dr. Michael Brown's message at the evening service is entitled "Hungers and Hope" (Isaiah 58:6-12).

February 24 – Rev. Steven D. Pierce offers the meditation for the evening.

Marble Curriculum for Spiritual Growth



Sr. Carol Perry

Bible Study with Sister Carol Perry

SUNDAYS AT 10AM

TORN FROM THE HEADLINES

February 7 & 14

What are we to think when real life and the Bible collide in public events? We need to read today's headlines in the light of the Bible to carry out our calling as modern believers. Sr. Carol Perry relates Scripture to current events in a way that will have you scanning the morning paper with new eyes.

THE LUCAN ADVENTURE

February 21 – March 21

Written toward the end of the first century, the Gospel of Luke underscores the broad humanitarian character of Jesus' ministry and records details not covered in other gospels. Let us use these weeks of our Lenten journey to travel with Jesus as Luke sees Him bringing His message to a wide world.

TUESDAYS AT 6:30PM

THE PUBLIC LIFE OF JESUS

February 2, 9, 16 & 23

Leading up to Lent, this class looks at key events in the public life of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel of John. Sr. Carol Perry then makes a

comparison study of the Passion and Death of Jesus described in all four gospels. An in-depth investigation of these biblical texts can increase awareness of God's Spirit as we move forward in our personal growth during Lent.

WEEKDAYS, NOON-1PM

SPIRITUALITY IN THE WORKPLACE

Boost Your Spirit over Lunch

Does God care about our work? Beyond paying the rent, what is the purpose of work? Bring your lunch and find out at interactive Bible study in three Manhattan locations with Sr. Carol Perry. Return to the job with a fresh outlook.

TUESDAYS

February 2 & 16: Downtown at 2 Wall Street, Law Offices of Carter, Ledyard & Milburn, 18th floor.

February 9 & 23: Marble Collegiate Church, 3 West 29th Street (check lobby schedule for room).

THURSDAYS

February 11 & 25: St. Bartholomew's Church, 325 Park Avenue (at 51st Street). Enter through Park Avenue doors and proceed to the Welcome Center, directly behind the chancel to the right.

Adult Education in Bay Hall

THE CHALLENGE FOR RELATIONSHIP

As part of the Lenten focus on self-examination that Dr. Brown writes about on page one of this newsletter, the afternoon Adult Education classes explore and honor a longing at the root of our humanity: the desire for relationship. Whether it's a relationship with God, with our own hopes and empty spaces, with crucial people in our lives, or with people in need around us, in so many ways we are challenged and nourished by this particular hunger in our lives. Come partake of this rich and lifelong topic.

SUNDAYS AT 1:30PM

THE EVOLUTION OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

February 7

Dr. Bill Lutz

Family relationships can push any number of emotional buttons. From the viewpoint that they are dynamic and not static, constantly changing, they can get us into trouble when we don't change with them. Dr. Bill Lutz looks at how we relate to our family evolves with age. The spiritual and emotional challenges of these intimate relationships need to be addressed early on if we are to find peace and fulfillment over the years.



Dr. Bill Lutz

FINDING THE COURAGE TO LOVE

February 14

Patrice Donnell and Robert Romagnoli

Valentine's Day images of romantic love compel us, yet past experiences of relationship can get in the way. How do we let go and open our hearts? Marble members Patrice and Robert share their story of how God rescued their broken relationship. They explore the power of forgiveness, discovering our authentic selves, letting go of "baggage," and learning to play again. Whether you are searching for someone special, wanting to deepen your current relationship, or looking to better understand past experiences, join this engaging conversation about joy, Spirit, and the courageous adventure of love.



Robert Romagnoli and Patrice Donnell

THE COMMUNITY OF HUNGER

February 21

Rev. David Lewicki & Clyde Kummerle

The issue of hunger is very personal and very practical. Either way, hunger makes us realize we can't meet our own needs and draws us to each other. When we hunger for food, we are drawn to someone who offers a hot meal. When we hunger for spiritual nourishment, we are drawn to others and to the Holy Other. On this first Sunday in Lent, Rev. David Lewicki talks with Clyde Kummerle, Associate Director of the renowned and vital feeding ministry at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in Manhattan – the largest soup kitchen in the country.

THE ART OF MINDFUL RELATIONSHIPS

February 28

Diane Johnston

A relationship with another person can be satisfying, nurturing and comforting, and many of us seek to share our lives with someone. However, if one looks for a relationship to fill a void, an unhealthy, unbalanced relationship often occurs. Diane Johnston, a psychotherapist, discusses how we can differentiate between behaviors that can harm a relationship or ones that promote an honest, healthy connection with another person. Learn mindfulness practices that connect you with your true nature, whether alone or with another.

PRAYER CIRCLE EACH SUNDAY

Poling Chapel, 10am

This informal get-together, led by ministers, centers on singing and prayer for individual and communal concerns. Holy Communion is celebrated February 7.

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Children, Youth & Families Ministry (CYF)

FAMILY WORSHIP

Sunday, February 7, 10am

Celebrate the love of God and the love of your neighbors both far and near at the first Family Worship of 2010. Join us in Bay Hall for this creative and spiritually moving worship experience in which the children and youth participate in all aspects of the service, including singing, praying, and ushering. You don't have to be a parent or child to attend – all are welcome.



CYF GAME NIGHT

Friday, February 12, 6-9pm

Before Wii, even before computers, friends got together over games that didn't require an electrical outlet for the fun to begin. Join 1st through 8th Graders and their parents for good times in Bay Hall at our Winter Celebration Game Night. Traditional board games are provided, but feel free to bring your favorite and invite a friend to join you. Cost, \$5 per person, includes pizza and beverages. Register Sundays during the Sunday School hour or on the second floor following morning worship. For inquiries, contact Brian Hampton (ext. 442) at the church (BHampton@marblechurch.org).

Committed Couples

ST. VALENTINES' DINNER AND CONCERT À LA CARTE

Thursday, February 11, 6pm

Make a date with the one you love and come to Marble for a romantic candlelit dinner, followed by "If Music Be the Food of Love," a recital directed by Kenneth Dake. A variety of repertoire encompasses composers from Brahms to Bernstein and much more. Childcare is available.

TIME

6pm, Dinner

7:30pm, Concert

COST

*\$25, Dinner & Recital (registration required)**

\$15, Recital Only (at the door)

**Reservations required for dinner; register Sundays in Bay Hall after worship, contact Siobhan Tull (ext. 412) at the church (STull@marblechurch.org), or register online at www.marblechurch.org.*

DINNER PROGRAMS AT MARBLE

TIME: 6pm, dinner*
7pm, program

COST: \$18, dinner & program
\$8, program only

**24-hour advance registration required for dinner programs. Reserve in Bay Hall after Sunday worship, online at www.marblechurch.org, or call the church, 212-686-2770.*

Entrepreneurs

ALL HANDS ON DECK: 12 CONVERSATIONS ON LEADERSHIP

Thursday, February 18, 6:30-8:30pm

From judge to journalist, teacher to designer, twelve individuals present twelve principles of leadership from their perspective. Come prepared to look at how leadership is changing and how entrepreneurs can find within themselves the heart of a leader. This evening's conversation is facilitated by Katherine Gotshall English, creative director of the Entrepreneurs. \$10, suggested donation.

GIFTS: A Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Fellowship

AMANCIO...TWO FACES ON A TOMBSTONE

Thursday, February 18

Dinner & Film Screening

As a boy, Amancio Corrales emigrated with his parents from Mexico to Yuma, Arizona, in search of a better life. In his teens, he came out as a gay person and later began performing in drag at local clubs. His dream was cut short at age 23 when he was murdered. Similar to Matthew Shepard, the incident gradually disappeared from local headlines and the immediate concern of law enforcement. The documentary "Amancio...Two Faces on a Tombstone" follows the three-year journey activist Michael Baughman took seeking justice on behalf of a young man he had never met. Filmed in Yuma, the documentary offers a poignant look into a community forced to confront issues such as hate crimes, sexual orientation, and gender expression. (Running time: 64 minutes.) Dinner program; see column at left.

Marble Connection

YOUNG ADULTS IN THEIR 20s & 30s

SUNDAY CONVERSATIONS, 12:30-1:15PM

Get to know other young adults as we share our faith and what matters in our lives.

On February 7, Rev. David Lewicki leads us in discussion that meets on the 4th floor. Remaining Sundays in February we'll enjoy coffee and fellowship at the Connection Table in Bay Hall immediately following morning worship.



Rev. David Lewicki

40s & 50s Ministry

DINNER & DISCUSSION

Thursday, February 25, 6-8:30pm

Lesley Mazzotta, lay leader, facilitates a lively brainstorming session to continue building our programs and activities. All adults are welcome to participate in this community of individuals from a range of backgrounds. Dinner, \$12; reserve at least 24-hours in advance. Register online at www.marblechurch.org or contact Siobhan Tull (ext. 412) at the church (STull@marblechurch.org).

BECOME A PRAYER PARTNER

Join this spiritually rich experience and get to know another member of the group on a more personal level while deepening your own prayer practice during Lent. To participate, contact Lesley Mazzotta, 917-623-4554.

Men's Ministry

ONE MOUNTAIN, MANY PATHS

Tuesday, February 16

Dr. Patrick Swift

Peace is not a destination, but a way of being for people of all faiths. Join neuropsychologist and author Dr. Patrick Swift for a session of insightful and inspirational messages that make the path of peace a journey of love. An advocate for mutual respect and interfaith cooperation based on his experience witnessing 9/11 from his NYC hospital and caring for some of the victims, Dr. Swift shows us how communication, compassion, and devotion can make a difference in our lives and in the lives of others. Hailed as a mix of Drs. Norman Vincent Peale and Oliver Sachs, Dr. Swift's presentation promises to be both entertaining and inspiring. Dinner program; see column on page 4.



Dr. Patrick Swift

BRUNCH & DISCUSSION

Sunday, February 28

Immediately following worship, we will gather for brunch in Burrell Hall. If you wish to be seated with other men of the church, please look for our Men's Ministry volunteers to guide you to tables reserved for our use. At 1:00pm, we will convene in a separate room to discuss the chapter "Believe in Yourself" from Dr. Norman Vincent Peale's book *The Power of Positive Thinking*. All men are welcome. Brunch, \$12 (no reservation needed). For inquiries, contact Rev. Steve Pierce or Tom Schneider at the church.

60+ Fellowship

LUNCH AND PROGRAM

12pm, Lunch

Served promptly at noon. Regular meal (salad, soup & dessert), \$7. Special occasion meal (scheduled throughout the season): \$10, Fellowship members; \$12, guests.

1PM, PROGRAM

February 3 – Don't miss a screening of the delightful film "Julie & Julia," Julia Child's early years in the cooking profession, starring Meryl Streep.

February 10 – Mardi Gras is celebrated in high style with Linda Ipanema and the Dixie Cats, preceded by a special New Orleans-style luncheon (\$10 members, \$12 guests).

February 17 – Ash Wednesday worship is held in the Sanctuary at 12:45pm. Lunch begins promptly at 11:45am.

February 24 – Talented students from Manhattan School of Music present a St. Valentine's-themed revue.

CLASSES, CLUBS & MOVIES

Classes and activities listed below are free, but registered membership in the 60+ Fellowship is required. Contact Colleen Cosgrove (212-686-2770) for information on how to join.

Exercise Class, 10:30-11:30am – Fitness and fun is led by peer instructors certified by NYC's Dept. of the Aging. No pre-registration needed. Ellie Minor teaches line dancing February 3.

Bridge Club, 2:15pm – Experienced players welcome. On February 10, bridge master Mike Galatola teaches a class for intermediate players and above. \$2, requested donation for Mr. Galatola's instruction.

Movie of the Week, 2:15pm – Room 601.

2/3 – "Carmen Jones" (1954).

2/10 – "Sunder" (1972).

2/17 – "Lilies of the Field" (1963).

2/24 – "The Jackie Robinson Story" (1950).

FROM PAGE TO STAGE

February 3 & 10, 2:15pm

Marble staff member Brian Hampton leads a stage workshop to sharpen the acting chops of those interested in enhancing their performance skills. Brian is a professional actor, singer, and playwright whose productions have been seen regionally as well as in New York City, most recently in the 2009 Fringe Festival and Midtown International Theatre Festival. Brian is currently putting finishing touches to the book adaptation of his play "Checking In." Pre-register with Colleen Cosgrove, 212-686-2770.



Linda Ipanema and the Dixie Cats

60+ Fellowship
continued

BALLROOM DANCING, 2:15PM

February 17 & 24

Fellowship member and ballroom dancer Judith Nocella leads a fun, uplifting session. Brush up your skills and learn new steps. Open to all; pre-register with Colleen Cosgrove. Appropriate footwear recommended.

AARP TAX AID

Begins Wednesday, February 3

9:30am–2pm, Room 205

Volunteers from the AARP Tax Aid Program help complete your IRS tax forms. This free service, for adults 50 years and older, begins February 3 and continues every Wednesday through mid-April. First come, first served.

Marble Women's Ministry (MWM)



Dr. Kimberleigh Jordan
Nina H. Frost, Sr. Carol Perry

FINDING OUR STRENGTH ANNUAL WEEKEND RETREAT

Friday-Sunday, February 19-21

Dr. Kimberleigh Jordan,
Nina H. Frost, Sr. Carol Perry

MWM returns to the beautiful Seaview Resort, the site of last year's retreat in Galloway, NJ, where one can experience fresh, healthy gourmet cuisine and

elegantly appointed guest rooms and meeting spaces. Our retreat facilitators, Sr. Carol Perry, Ms. Nina H. Frost, and Dr. Kimberleigh Jordan, explore the theme "Finding Our Strength," and lead us in a time to deepen our Christian journey through the nurture of spirit, mind, and body. The weekend includes Bible study, group interaction, prayer, meditation and worship. Women can choose short hikes, prayer walks, yoga, and guided meditation. Seaview Resort is located on 670 beautiful acres with panoramic woodland views and the setting is casual and relaxing.

***Cost Options** (includes lodging, meals, supplies, taxes/gratuities):

\$305 – Double occupancy

\$415 – Single occupancy

\$31 – Round-trip bus transportation to/from Marble

Register online at www.marblechurch.org, Sundays in Bay Hall after worship, or contact Elise Hanley (ext. 470) at the church (EHanley@marblechurch.org).

**Full payment must be made by Monday, February 1. We will be unable to refund cancellations after this deadline.*

Spiritual Enrichment and Support

Wednesday Worship@ 6:15pm

This mid-week service blends traditional and contemporary worship styles, taking the best of both, creating a mixture that is informal and reverent, often humorous, and always Spirit-filled. This month includes:

February 3: The Reverend Dr. James Forbes, Pastor Emeritus of The Riverside Church, concludes our four-week series on Dr. Martin Luther King's teachings on peace. Music is led by Djoré Nance.

February 10: A Service of Healing Prayer. In this meditative worship, animated by the spirit of the Taizé and Iona faith communities, we pray together for healing of bodies, relationships, and social systems. Led by Rev. David Lewicki, a special anointing is offered to those who seek it. Music is led by Djoré Nance.

Lenten worship begins February 17 (Ash Wednesday) and continues each Wednesday evening at 6:15pm through March 24.

Compassionate Friends

February 9, 7:30–9pm

Whether your family has had a child die at any age, from any cause, or you are trying to help those who have gone through this life-altering experience, this support group exists to provide friendship, understanding, and hope to those going through the grieving process. Meets the second Tuesday of each month. For inquiries, call the Compassionate Friends information line, (212) 217-9647.

For Prayer Requests

The Prayer Room, located just beyond the north exit of the Sanctuary, remains open after Sunday worship for you to make or take prayer requests for personal needs. Please use the Prayer Request cards in the pew racks or 3 West 29th Street lobby. Members of the Spiritual Enrichment Committee's Prayer Team pray for all requests.

Action Volunteers

WAYS TO HELP OTHERS

Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth.

— Muhammad Ali

February is a wonderful month to offer your love to others, and volunteering is an excellent way to demonstrate your love by making a difference in the life of another person. Here are just a few volunteer opportunities:

Sunday, February 7 – Contribute food to HONEY (Help Our Neighbors Eat Year-round): bring single serving, non-perishable items to the Action Table on the Portico.

Sunday, February 7 – Help serve lunch to disadvantaged (and sometimes homeless) seniors at a local church on East 31st Street after worship.

Sunday, February 14 – Volunteers are needed to help prepare 50 lunches, 9:30-10:30am, for our Ecclesia Ministry (an open-air worshipping

congregation for the homeless in Madison Square Park). Others needed to transport the lunches and host the service, starting at 1:30pm.

Saturday, February 27 – Common Ground is looking for volunteers to serve lunch, 12 Noon-3pm, to guests at The Prince George (28th Street between Fifth & Madison).

Sunday, February 28 – Volunteer to help sort used clothing for the homeless. Most importantly, drivers with cars are needed to deliver the garments to shelters.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, March 20 – Join Marble's Habitat for Humanity team as we support Habitat's new project in Brooklyn's Bed-Stuy neighborhood.

Stop at the Action Table on the Portico after worship any Sunday to talk with a committee member about these opportunities and others, or call Gail Kitselman, Director of Volunteer Ministries, at the church.

Marble Matters

Help When You Need It Most

Kathe Abbott

When longtime church member Angelyn McDonough approached age 100 and needed to move to a skilled nursing facility, who did her daughter and son-in-law turn to? Kathe Abbott, Collegiate Church social worker. Kathe had interacted with Angie for several years, visiting her regularly and helping her with healthcare concerns, and had developed a close relationship with the older woman. She knew the type of residence that would offer Angie a pleasant home-like setting while best serving her physical needs. Angie's family was awestruck that Marble Church had a caring social worker intervene to make their mother's life comfortable.

Most congregants are unaware that Kathe's professional service is available to them, free of charge, as members of the church. For nineteen years she has divided her expertise among the City's four Collegiate Churches (Marble, Middle, Fort Washington, and West End), counseling and advocating for people who are socially excluded, facing eviction, experiencing crisis, or seeking guidance with geriatric and healthcare agencies.

"Crisis intervention is something I do well," Kathe says. "I began my career working with urban teenagers who were homicidal and part of a gang. Time and again I saw that grandparents were the key to keeping a home together for these young people. That gradually led me

to working with older adults. Now, about 50% of my work is addressing the needs of an aging population."

For instance, if you are looking for a nursing or assisted-living facility for yourself or a parent, Kathe will sit with you and learn your requirements, and then offer names of residences and organizations to contact. "I might also recommend moving services and financial advisors to help you with the transition. And I would give you a list of important questions to ask the residence when you go for a site visit."

The most challenging aspect of her work is being adequately informed when a crisis happens so she can piece together an effective plan of action. People often wait for the last moment to get in touch with Kathe. She stresses that it's imperative for her to receive that phone call early on to help her guide an individual through the system.

To contact Kathe, she advises going through one of Marble's Associate Ministers for a recommendation. Dr. Kimberleigh Jordan says, "So many people come to us with needs that are not only spiritual but tangible. Kathe is the glue that holds our pastoral care ministry together. I can't speak highly enough about her abilities and the good she does for us."

We think Angie McDonough and her family would agree.



Kathe Abbott

Music at Marble

THE POWER OF ONE

Sunday, February 21, 2:30pm

The Marble Community Gospel Choir, directed by Djoré Nance, honors the unique legacy of African-American music in a soul-stirring, high-energy concert that will send you out singing. Admission, \$15 (\$10, students 8–18.)

Childcare provided. Purchase advance tickets Sundays in Bay Hall, online at www.marblechurch.org, or contact Siobhan Tull



Gospel Choir (ext. 412) at the church (STull@marblechurch.org).

IF MUSIC BE THE FOOD OF LOVE

Thursday, February 11, 7:30pm

Romance is in the air at a recital that's just in time for Valentine's Day. Kenneth Dake directs repertoire that encompasses composers from Brahms to Bernstein, and much more. Part of Marble's *Concert à la Carte* series. Admission, \$15 at the door (\$10, students 8–18). Childcare provided for children 7 and under.

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THE LAST WORD...

I don't wait for moods. You accomplish nothing if you do that. Your mind must know it has to get down to work.

—PEARL S. BUCK

Membership Makes a Difference

New Member classes begin February 7

Have you been putting off joining Marble Church, telling yourself you'll do it some other time? What better way to begin a new year than by becoming a member of Marble Church right now? Membership in a faith community brings you and fellow journeyers together with a sense of belonging and spiritual bonding.

The winter membership class meets immediately following 11am worship on three consecutive Sundays, beginning February 7 and

continuing February 14 and 21. Participants are received into membership during the service Sunday, February 28.

Speak to a New Member person, someone wearing a red carnation, after any Sunday service or call Marian Patterson (212-686-2770, ext. 429) in the Membership Office to get started. Discover that membership at Marble does make a difference.

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