



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH ...Here for You

Sunday, January 28, 2024

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

PRELUDE I. Prélude, from Le Tombeau de Couperin Maurice Ravel,
trans. Michael Hey

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT All the Way My Saviour Leads Music: Robert Lowry
Text: Fanny Crosby
All the way my Saviour leads me. What have I to ask beside? Can I doubt His tender mercy
who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in
Him to dwell! For I know, whate'er befall me, Jesus doeth all things well.

HYMN **How Great Thou Art** *Swedish melody*
**O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
consider all the works Thy hands hath made;
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.**
**Refrain: Then sings my soul, my savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my savior God to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!**
**And when I think, God's only Son not sparing;
was sent to die, I scarce can take it in;
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.**
**When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
and then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"**

INVOCATION

ANTHEM Do Not Be Afraid. Philip Stopford
Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name; you are mine.
When you walk through the waters, I'll be with you; you will never sink beneath the waves.
When the fire is burning all around you, you will never be consumed by the flames. When
the fear of loneliness is looming, then remember I am at your side. When you dwell in the
exile of a stranger, remember you are precious in my eyes. You are mine, O my child, I am
your Father, and I love you with a perfect love.

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.**

HYMN Lead Me, Lord John D. Becker
Please refer to back page of bulletin.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Proverbs 3:1-6
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Ready to Face New Challenges
OVERCOMING FEAR OF THE FUTURE Dr. Michael Bos
Part 4 of Sermon Series

Following sermon, all invited into a moment of prayerful reflection with music.

CALL FOR OFFERING

Please click "GIVE" 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.

ANTHEM Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Mack Wilberg
Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love! Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Prone to wander Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above. O to grace how great a debtor daily in constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above. — *Robert Robinson*

SPOTLIGHT ON LIFE AT MARBLE

HYMN 50 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah. *Cwm Rhondda*

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE VI. Toccata, from Le Tombeau de Couperin Maurice Ravel,
trans. Michael Hey

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Rev. Susanah Wade, Charles Mathison, *lay reader*
The Marble Choir, Michael T. C. Hey, *director of music*



AFTER WORSHIP TODAY



CONGREGATIONAL FORUM
Stay in the Sanctuary & Online

Please join the Ministers and Board as we focus on two primary topics to ensure that our community is meaningfully informed about Marble's past, present, and future:

- 1) Our finances, including information on both Marble and our "parent organization," The Collegiate Church Corporation. Rev. Stan Sloan, Managing Director of the Collegiate Church Corporation, addresses questions specific to Collegiate.
- 2) A look at what we've achieved since returning to in-person Worship (*Fall of 2021-2023*), as well as ministry plans for 2024 in light of Marble's new financial reality.

Thank you for all the questions submitted in advance to ensure we are speaking directly to your real concerns and learn from past forums.

Childcare available during the Forum.

CYF Build a Bagged Lunch. See page 4 for details.

UPCOMING WORSHIP

If you can't join us live, view archives at MarbleChurch.org/Watch



Sunday, February 4 – 11:00am

Open Minds, Open Hearts

Dr. Michael Bos



Ash Wednesday, February 14

12:00pm – Dr. Michael Bos

Holy Communion

6:30pm – **Beginnings & Endings**

Dr. Michael Bos

Music by Michael Hey with the Marble Choir. Holy Communion.

NYC Street Closings: Please plan ahead for your time at Marble. For details, visit www1.nyc.gov/events/ or call 311.



MARBLE EASTER OFFERING SURVEY

Please go to MarbleChurch.org/calendar and help us evaluate this long-standing Marble tradition

Since 1968, Marble has used its annual Easter Offering to raise funds which are awarded as grants to nonprofit organizations answering Jesus' call to feed the hungry, give shelter to the homeless, welcome the stranger, and care for the needy among us. In the past few years, we have received feedback from the congregation offering different perspectives on this outreach effort. Before changes are made, we would like to hear from more people to determine how to best move forward.



Encouraging Word

To Hear an Uplifting Message
Call anytime (212) 686-2774

AN ENCOURAGING WORD

When you need a bit of inspiration, call 212-686-2774 to hear Marble's **Encouraging Word**, a brief recorded uplifting message. They change periodically and are available to listen to day or night.

IF YOU NEED HELP – PLEASE REACH OUT

Marble's Stephen Ministers may be able to help you with spiritual/emotional support in difficult times. **Speak to a Stephen Minister after Worship in the Children's Chapel (2nd flr)** or contact Rev. Susanah Wade, SWade@MarbleChurch.org. For more information, visit MarbleChurch.org/stephen-ministry.

The Marble Prayer Ministry Team is here to pray for you. Submit requests on bottom of any page at MarbleChurch.org.

Blanton-Peale Counseling Center – 212-725-7850, blantonpeale.org

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – 988, call or text, available 24 hours



UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICE

For more information, visit MarbleChurch.org/life-events/upcoming-memorial-services/

Rev. Roberta Arden – Sunday, February 4, 1:15pm

Life at Marble

Visit MarbleChurch.org for more events, details, and up-to-date information.

BEFORE WORSHIP



Prayer Circle – 10:00am, Children’s Chapel (2nd floor, access via elevator/stairs off 29th St lobby) & **Zoom**. Weekly time of prayer and music. The Circle is always open – all you need is a willing heart!

10:00 O’Clock Hour: Intro to Islam, Part 1 – Labyrinth Room (downstairs) & live streamed. Led by **Dr. Michael Bos**. View archive at MarbleChurch.org/Watch.

CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



Sunday School, Youth Group & Childcare – Infant/Toddler childcare: 10:00am–12:30pm, (when possible, for staffing purposes, please contact Brian a week in advance). Pre-K – 6th Grade: Early Drop-Off, 10:00am; Classes, 11:00am. 7th–12th Grade attend 11:00am Worship, followed by *Build a Bagged Lunch*. **All children and youth welcome to join us any time!** Register at MarbleChurch.org/cyf or contact CYF Director Brian Hampton, BHampton@MarbleChurch.org.

Build a Bagged Lunch / TODAY! after Worship – All CYF invited to join the Marble Youth in Room 307 (3rd flr, access via elevator/stairs off 29th St lobby) to help reduce food insecurity in NYC by building bagged lunches for The Bowery Mission. If you are not in the CYF Ministry or cannot attend the event, we welcome your monetary contributions. Contact Youth Director Sarah Sanou, SSanou@MarbleChurch.org.



JOIN US!

Are you searching for a place to belong, to connect with others, and to grow in your faith? We welcome you for who you are, wherever you are on your faith journey. We’d love to have you join us! To learn more, contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch.org, talk to someone wearing a red carnation or visit MarbleChurch.org/become-a-member.

ENGAGE



Arts Ministry New Year’s Joy & Reflection Exhibit / thru February 9 – View work by Marble artists in our online gallery at MarbleChurch.org/arts (archives of previous exhibits also available). *Note, this exhibit is online only.*

Afternoon Prayer / Tuesdays, 4:00–4:20pm – Wind down your day with a brief time of sharing and prayer via Zoom or phone. Link available at MarbleChurch.org/calendar.

Chair Yoga / Thursdays, 10:00–10:45am – Center yourself physically and spiritually with this time of gentle movement via Zoom. Link available at MarbleChurch.org/calendar.

Caregivers Support Group / First Saturday of Month, 1:00–3:00pm – Learn how to balance your life and be a Caregiver with new strength and vitality. Led by Rev. Marion Gambardella on Zoom. Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

PrimeTime (55+) Lent Is for Lovers / Ash Wednesday, February 14 – Worship together in the Sanctuary at 12:00pm, led by Dr. Bos, with Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. At 1:00pm, gather for lunch (\$20; please register in advance online) and program with **Sr. Carol Perry** on Zoom. So many of us see Lent as a bit of a downer: penance, sin, winter’s woes. However, this year isn’t the starting date, Valentine’s Day, a wonderful reminder of what it could be: a time of loving awe and grace? Let’s examine that together. Contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

If you need assistance registering online for an event, please don’t hesitate to ask.
On Sundays, visit the Welcome Table during Coffee Hour, or call/visit our receptionist.

HELP OTHERS



Prayer Shawl Ministry / First Mondays on Zoom, 5:00–6:00pm; third Mondays in person, 1:00–2:00pm – Gather for prayer and creating together via Zoom to knit/crochet prayer shawls for the ill or homebound. Questions? Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

Spotlight

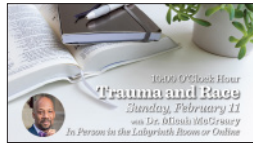
10:00 O'Clock Hour

In the Labyrinth Room (*downstairs*) or online. Visit MarbleChurch.org for more details.



Today & Sunday, February 4 INTRO TO ISLAM

Dr. Michael Bos gives an introduction to Islam, one of the most misunderstood religions in the world, based on his studies and experience of living with his family in an Islamic culture for nearly a decade.



Sunday, February 11 TRAUMA & RACE

Dr. Micah McCreary, president of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Dr. McCreary also preaches at 11:00am Worship.



SNOWFLAKES, CIDER & PSALMS Monthly Marble Meet-Up

Thursday, February 1, 6:30-8:00pm

All invited for this time of fellowship, fun, and invigorating conversation with special guest **Dr. Boon Ngeo**. Lite bites and beverages on us. At Marble. We hope to see you there!



NEW SMALL GROUPS – Register at MarbleChurch.org

Unpacking Islam

Mondays, January 29, February 5 & 12, 5:30pm

Dr. Michael Bos leads this discussion about the formation and evolution of Islam. On Zoom.

Eve Isn't Evil

Sundays, February, 4, 11 & 18, 1:15pm

Baleta McKenzie and Lucia Winston lead this exploration of Dr. Julie Faith Parker's book. Meets at Marble and on Zoom.

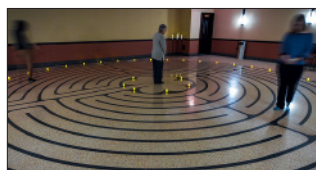


FAREWELL & THANK YOU, SIOBHAN

We express heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to Siobhan Tull for the invaluable contributions she has made to the Marble family during her seventeen years on staff. She has been such an integral part of our team – from her early days at the reception desk to serving as a point person for the hundreds of congregants who connect online, heading our social media and leading online and hybrid events like Prayer Circle, the Tuesday Prayer Call and Chair Yoga. We have all experienced her presence and creativity in All-Church Events, and most recently her involvement in GIFTS: LGBTQ+ Fellowship and the Social Justice Committee to

name a few. True to the nature of her spirit, where she has seen a need at Marble, she has filled it without hesitation. So, it is with mixed emotions that we send her with every good wish and blessings for the bright new chapter that awaits her. We know she will continue to bless those she encounters on her journey as she has blessed us.

Please join us for a Reception on Sunday, February 4, after Worship, to say thank you and farewell to Siobhan and also celebrate the Lunar New Year. Labyrinth Room.



WALK THE LABYRINTH

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2:30-4:30pm

Wednesdays, February 28, March 6 & 13

5:00-6:00pm

Feed your spirit with this walking meditation. Labyrinth Facilitators available to help guide you and answer questions, while allowing you space to walk in your own way, at your own pace. Learn more at **MarbleChurch.org/labyrinth**.



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For staff list and email addresses, please visit MarbleChurch.org/staff

LEAD ME, LORD

John D. Becker



1. Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their Lord,
2. Bless - ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be theirs,
3. Blest are they who through their life-times sow the seeds of peace;



for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs.____ Bless - ed are the
and the pure in heart shall see their God.____ Blest are they whose
all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.____ Blest are you, though



sorrowing, for they shall be con - soled, and the meek shall come to rule the world.
hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can fill, for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.
per - se - cut - ed in your ho - ly life, for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.



Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light_ of truth to



seek and to find_ the nar - row way._____ Be my way,_ be my truth,



_ be my life,_ my Lord, and lead me, Lord, to - day.

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