



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH

Where We Discover We Were Made for More

Sunday, May 1, 2022

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

No Grace Notes: Inside the Music, returns May 8

PRELUDE Sonata No. 2 in C Minor Felix Mendelssohn
Grave – Adagio – Allegro – Fugue

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT The Winter Is Past. Lloyd Webber
The winter is past, the Spring's at the birth, the flow'rs appear upon the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, let none that hath voice be silent and dumb. Rejoice and sing of Easter and Spring, of life and light and of glory bright. Rejoice and sing! But more than the Spring is the joy we sing, for Jesus is risen, our Lord and King! Rejoicing in this, all sorrow dismiss, for Jesus hath brought us eternal bliss! Rejoice and sing of Easter and Spring, of life and light and the glory bright, of an empty tomb and the end of gloom! Now Christ is arisen, your praises bring; All Hail to our Living Lord and King! Rejoice! – *Bryn Rees*

HYMN He Lives (I Serve a Risen Savior) Alfred H. Ackley
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on back page of bulletin.

INVOCATION

ANTHEM *Easter from Five Mystical Songs*. Ralph Vaughan Williams
Max Parsons, *baritone*
Rise, heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing His praise without delays, who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise with Him may'st rise. That, as His death calcined thee to dust, His life may make thee gold, and much more, just. Awake, my lute, and struggle for thy part with all thy art. The cross taught all wood to resound His name who bore the same, His stretched sinews taught all strings what key is best to celebrate this most high day. Consort both heart and lute, and twist a song pleasant and long. Or since all music is but three parts vied, and multiplied: O let Thy blessed Spirit bear a part, and make up our defects with His sweet art. – *George Herbert*

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 370 Fairest Lord Jesus *St. Elizabeth*
Please refer to hymnal or on-screen lyrics.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Acts 9:1-20
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "UNDERSTANDING THE ASSIGNMENT" Rev. Susanah Wade

HYMN **Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts and Voices Heavenward Raise**Hyfrydol
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 3 of bulletin.

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.

ANTHEM Wonderful Is Your Name.Melvin Crispell, Jr.
Marble Community Gospel Choir, Rashad McPherson, *director*
David Farrell Melton, *keyboard*; Paul Johnson, *bass*
AJ Jagganath, *guitar*; Eric Lewis, *drums*

DOXOLOGY *Lasst uns erfreuen (The tune is that of Hymn 4.)*
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!

BLESSING OF OUR RENOVATED SPACES

HYMN **We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection** *Londonderry Air*
1. We shall go out with hope of resurrection; we shall go out, from strength to strength go on; we shall go out and tell our stories boldly; tales of a love that will not let us go. We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted; we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed; we'll weave a cloth of all the world united within the vision of a Christ who sets us free.
2. We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken; we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed; we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer, vibrating love alive in every heart. We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping, raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief, we'll leap and dance the resurrection story, including all within the circles of our love.

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Dr. Michael Bos, Dr. J. Elise Brown
Barbara Sagan, *vice chair of board*
The Marble Choir, Kenneth V. Dake, *director of music*



TODAY AFTER WORSHIP!

Tour Our New Spaces

After we say a special blessing for our renovated 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors of our church building during Worship, we invite everyone to explore the spaces that will house our ministries and provide workspaces for Marble Staff. Move through at your own pace; staff and volunteers available as guides.

Congregational Forum, 12:45pm

Once you've toured the renovated spaces, meet Jake Mulder and Dr. Yulee Lee back in the Sanctuary as they continue their update on our Strategic Planning Process including findings from the Congregation-wide Survey and areas where clear focus is emerging for the strategic plan. Bring your questions. All welcome! Also live streamed.

To learn more about the process, visit MarbleChurch.org/strength-to-strength.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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



The Gathering – Midweek Worship Wednesday, May 4, live in Sanctuary

Seeing with the Heart – Dr. J. Elise Brown

For more details, please see page 5.

Sunday Worship, May 8 – 11:00am

Something to Celebrate

People – Dr. Michael Bos

Part 1 of Sermon Series

In-Person Worship – Since New York City's "Key to NYC" COVID protocols ended, Marble updated its protocols and no longer requires proof of vaccination. **Wearing masks is still required for everyone's safety, especially since we sing when we worship.** For details including updated safety protocols, visit MarbleChurch.org.

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

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts and Voices Heavenward Raise

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1872; Tune: *Hyfrydol*



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voi - ces
2. Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to
3. Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! shed up - on us



heav'n-ward raise; Sing to God_ a hymn of glad-ness, sing to
life_ is born, Glo-rious life,_ and life im - mor - tal, on His
heav'n - ly grace, Rain and dew_ and gleams of glo - ry from the



God a hymn of praise. He, Who on_ the cross a vic - tim,
res - ur - rec - tion morn. Christ has tri-umphed, and we con - quer
bright-ness of_ Thy face. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



for the world's sal - va - tion bled, Je - sus Christ, the
by His might - y en - ter - prise, We_ with Him_ to
Glo - ry be_ to God_ on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



King_ of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
life_ e - ter - nal by His res - ur - rec - tion rise.
to_ the Sa - vior Who has won_ the vic - to - ry.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY

In loving memory of my niece, **Dr. Lillian M. Lowery**
by Carrie Lowery

Life at Marble

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

BEFORE WORSHIP



No Prayer Circle Today – Please join us for 10:00 O’Clock Hour. Prayer Circle returns next Sunday, 10:00am, in person and on Zoom.

10:00 O’Clock Hour: Marble from Strength to Strength – Labyrinth Room (downstairs) or live stream. Our consultants from Fuller Church Leadership Institute, Jake Mulder and Dr. Yulee Lee, return in person to give us another update about our Strategic Planning Process.

CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



Sunday School & Youth Group – Pre-K – 6th Grade Classes: 10:00am. Children’s Choir: 11:00am. Youth Choir: 10:00am. 7th-12th Grade attend 11:00am Worship, followed by Youth Group at 12:00pm. No infant or toddler childcare.

Sunday School is now hybrid, in person and online, so you can choose what works best for your family. Questions? Please contact Brian Hampton,

BHampton@MarbleChurch.org or Rev. Brittany, 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! For information or to sign up for our June Orientations, please contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch.org, or visit MarbleChurch.org/engage/join/become-a-member.

UPCOMING



New Hope Virtual Art Exhibit / through May 19 – View original works, including poetry and music, celebrating the hope of Easter and Spring. At MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry.

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.

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

PrimeTime (55+) Online Gathering / Wednesday, May 11, 1:00pm – We welcome Stacy Simon, MS RDN CSG CDN, Board Certified Specialist in Gerontological Nutrition. For more details, contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

Film Night: Eating You Alive / Thursday, May 12, 6:30-8:30pm – Gather on Zoom to watch and discuss this informative and motivating film featuring medical experts, researchers and inspiring stories of people who transformed their health by changing their diet. Open to all. Hosted by Marble Women’s Ministry. Register at MarbleChurch.org by May 11.

Online Tea Time with Kim & Siobhan / Wednesday, May 18, 1:00-2:00pm – Pull up a comfy chair, grab a beverage and enjoy this time of fellowship on Zoom. Register by May 17.

New Small Groups: Tell Us Your Story, We Will Listen / Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays, May 10 - June 2 – By sharing our story and listening to others’, we may see how we are all limbs of the great “tree of life”. For details and to sign up, visit MarbleChurch.org.

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. Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

Separation & Divorce Support Group / Beginning Early May – If you are in need of emotional support and guidance as you navigate the difficult transition of separation or divorce, you are invited to join this group led by Dr. Bill Lutz. Meets weekly; day/time tba. To participate, please email Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

HELP OTHERS



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, May 2, 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). 1st & 3rd Mondays.

Spotlight



THE GATHERING: MIDWEEK WORSHIP *Be Thou My Vision - A Celtic Service* **Wednesday, May 4, 6:15pm, In Person**

Join us in the Sanctuary for this special edition of The Gathering. Message by Dr. J. Elise Brown, *Seeing with the Heart*. Celtic music provided by Kenneth Dake and special guests. Holy Communion. Also streamed live.

After Worship Dinner – All welcome to join one of the dinner groups hosted by Marble Ministers and Staff at neighborhood restaurants: **John Doe** – with Dr. Michael Bos; **Crooked Knife** – with Rev. Susanah Wade; **Spritz** – with Dr. Elise Brown and Baleta McKenzie; **Mexicue** – with Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin. Register at MarbleChurch.org. *Please note: select only one of the restaurants and be prepared to pay cash for your dinner.*



10:00 O'CLOCK HOUR **Even Silence Is Praise – Continues Sunday, May 8**

Longtime *Guideposts* editor and writer Rick Hamlin explores ways meditation can become an essential part of your prayer practice. Join us in the Labyrinth Room (*downstairs; limited capacity*) and online.

Faith in the Workplace – Sundays, May 15 & 22

Hear Marble members and friends explore how their faith “shows up” in their work. How do we live as people of faith in challenging work environments? How do we seek God’s guidance so our work reflects spiritual integrity? **May 15 – Hope Knight**, newly appointed Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and President and CEO of Empire State Development (ESD); **May 22 – Dan Nigro**, recently retired Commissioner of the New York City Fire Department.



ANNUAL SPRING PRAYER RETREAT **Reflecting On the Psalms** **Saturday, May 14, 10:00-11:30am**

We reflect and meditate on the Psalms, create our own Psalms, and walk the Labyrinth. Led by Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin and the Marble Prayer Ministry Team in person at Marble and online. Materials provided. Register at MarbleChurch.org. Questions? Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.



MARBLE'S EASTER OFFERING 2022

The 2022 Marble Easter Offering can do more. More to help kids to learn to read at **Books for Kids**. More to feed families whose resources are inadequate to feed their children at the **Greenpoint Hunger Project**. More to help adolescents find the mental health services they need.

“Easter is over, but the needs of the many children and their families continue unabated for services, educational support, food and housing,” says Jerry Link, a member of the Benevolence Committee. “Help, from all of us, is still required to meet our goal.”

“In a trying year when families desperately needed additional and intensified support, your funding helped enable Promise to reach more children than ever before to get them the services they needed to learn properly,” writes Zach Phillis, program director of **Project Promise**.

The Marble Easter Offering can do more to build bridges of hope and joy in the world. More to promote peace. But doing more requires more of us to give more this year. From the communities around us to countries we have never visited, the needs are too obvious to mention. The Marble Community can do more to reach our 2022 goal of \$220,000. As Paul wrote in Romans 12:13: “Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.”

We have celebrated Easter, but are still collecting for the Marble Easter Offering. Please give at MarbleChurch.org/give/easter-offering or by check, payable to Marble Collegiate Church, memo: Easter Offering.



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HE LIVES

Words & Music by Alfred H. Ackley, 1933



1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, he's in the world to - day;—
2. In all the world a - round me I see his lov - ing care,—
3. Re - joice, re - joice, O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing—



I know that he is liv - ing, what - ev - er oth - ers say;—
and though my heart grows wea - ry, I nev - er will de - spair.—
e - ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ the King!—



I see his hand of mer - cy, I hear his voice of cheer,—
I know that he is lead - ing through all the storm - y blast;—
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;—



and just the time I need him, he's al - ways near.—
the day of his ap - pear - ing will come at last.—
none oth - er is so lov - ing, so good and kind.—

Refrain



He lives, he lives, Christ Je - sus lives to - day!—



He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's nar - row way.—



He lives, he lives, sal - va - tion to im - part!—



You ask me how I know he lives? He lives with - in my heart.—



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