PRELUDE  Prière, from Four Pieces, Op. 37  .................... Joseph Jongen

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN 502  Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty  .................... Unser Herrscher

INVOCATION

SOLO  Tend  ......................................................... Bethel Music
Kate Bullock, soprano
Congregation welcome to sing along on the refrain.
In the landscape of my life, You don’t rush through any season. You always take Your time.
A careful hand, a gentle guide. You take what’s dead away and You prune what’s running wild. Refrain: So, be the gardener of my heart. Tend the soil of my soul. Break up the fallow ground. Cut back the overgrown. And I won’t shy away. I will let the branches fall. So, what You want can stay, and what You love can grow. Through the winter, I’m still alive. What You’ve planted in the dirt is ever reaching to the Light. You prepared me for darkened times. You’ll sustain what You have started and You’ll teach me to abide. Refrain. I’ll remain in You. You’ll remain in me. And I will trust Your timing. I’ll remain in You. You’ll remain in me. From the start until the ending. ‘Cause You know better. Refrain.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (remaining seated, all invited to sing)  ............... Mark Miller
Please refer to page 3 of bulletin.

HYMN  Speak, O Lord  ......................... Keith Getty & Stuart Townend
Please refer to back page of bulletin.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE  ......................... Matthew 18:21-35
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON  HOW MANY TIMES SHOULD I FORGIVE?  .............. Dr. Elise Brown
Following sermon, all invited into a moment of prayerful reflection with music.
HYMN 445  Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart. Morecambe

CALL FOR OFFERING
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SOLO  Bridge Over Troubled Water. Paul Simon & Art Garfunkel
Kate Bullock, soprano
Congregation welcome to sing along on the refrain.
When you’re weary, feeling small, when tears are in your eyes, I’ll dry them all; I’m on your side. When times get rough and friends just can’t be found. Reftain: Like a Bridge Over Troubled Water, I will lay me down. When you’re down and out, when you’re on the street, when evening falls so hard I will comfort you. I’ll take your part. When darkness comes and pain is all around, Reftain. Sail on silver girl, sail on by. Your time has come to shine. All your dreams are on their way. See how they shine. If you need a friend I’m sailing right behind, Reftain: Like a Bridge Over Troubled Water, I will ease your mind.

SPOTLIGHT ON LIFE AT MARBLE

HYMN 598  Ye Servants of God Lyons

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE  Fantasia and Fugue
in B-flat major, Op. 18. Alexandre Pierre François Boëly

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Dr. Elise Brown
Baleta McKenzie, director of primetime & small group ministries
Dr. G. Gregory Lozier, elder
Dr. Alcee Chriss III, guest organist

WE WELCOME TO MARBLE CONCERT ORGANIST DR. ALCEE CHRISS III who can be heard on national and international concert stages. He is professor of music at Wesleyan College and serves as assistant organist at Trinity Church Wall Street.
concertorganists.com/artists/alcee-chriss/

AFTER WORSHIP TODAY

COFFEE HOUR
Join us in the 307 Assembly Room (access via elevator/stairs off 29th St Lobby) to make new friends and greet old friends.

INURNMENT SERVICE
For more information, visit MarbleChurch.org/life-events/upcoming-memorial-services/
Carol Davies-Gross & Abie Gross – TODAY, 12:15pm Columbarium (downstairs)
WORSHIP NEXT WEEK
If you can't join us live, view archives at MarbleChurch.org/Watch

Sunday Worship, July 23 – 11:00am
Turbulence Is Coming – Rev. John Pavlovitz
Please see page 5.

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER
Text adapted by Mark Miller & Laurie Zelman; Music by Mark Miller

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

BEFORE WORSHIP

Prayer Circle is on hiatus in July.

10:00 O’Clock Hour – Chapel (downstairs). Please see page 5.

CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY

Childcare & Summer Programming for Kids – Infant/Toddler childcare: 10:45am-12:30pm (when possible, please contact Brian Hampton a week in advance). Pre-K through 6th Grades: Summer programming during Worship: drop-off starts at 10:45am. 7th-12th Grade attend 11:00am Worship. Register online or contact CYF Director Brian Hampton, BHampton@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/engage/join/become-a-member.

ENGAGE

Arts Ministry Exhibit Archives – View work by Marble artists at MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry.

Tuesday Afternoon Prayer is on hiatus in July.

Chair Yoga is on hiatus in July & August.

Caregivers Support Group / Saturday, August 5, 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.

HELP OTHERS

Prayer Shawl Ministry is on hiatus in July. Questions? Contact Judy Tulin, JTulin@MarbleChurch.org.

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.

TOUCHPOINT: THE MARBLE MAGAZINE CHANGES

As we work diligently to ensure financial stability for Marble in our new economic reality, Touchpoint: The Marble Magazine will be reduced to three issues a year and available online only. The schedule will be as follows: Fall; Sept/Oct/Nov; Winter: Dec/Jan/Feb & Spring: Mar/Apr/May/June.

We appreciate your understanding as we move through this difficult time and look forward to returning to printed copies if our situation improves. To help, please donate online at onrealm.org/marblechurch/-/form/give/now.

For previous issues, visit MarbleChurch.org/media/touchpointmagazine/.
10:00 O’Clock Hour

Please note, today’s session in Chapel, in person only due to work being done in the Labyrinth Room. Returns to Labyrinth Room and live streaming July 23.

TODAY
Exploring Forgiveness — Going Deeper into the Scriptures
Dr. Elise Brown

SMALL GROUP: Recognizing & Embracing the Holy Spirit’s Influence in Our Daily Lives
concludes Tuesday, July 18, 6:00pm

Through Bible Study, conversation and reflection, Dr. Elise Brown helps us examine how each of us can more fully understand and experience the Spirit’s presence at work. 307 Assembly Room. Register online. All welcome, even if you missed previous sessions, this stands alone.

Sunday, July 23
JOHN PAVLOVITZ

Join us for a special day with author and pastor John Pavlovitz. He leads 10:00 O’Clock Hour, Peace Makers, Least Lovers, and Table Flip-pers, preaches at 11:00am Worship, Turbulence Is Coming, followed by a Q&A and Book Signing.

A 25-year veteran in the trenches of local church ministry, John is committed to equality, diversity, and justice — both inside and outside faith communities. He is the author of If God Is Love Don’t Be a Jerk, A Bigger Table, Hope and Other Superpowers, Low, Rise, and Stuff That Needs to Be Said. johnpavlovitz.com

Sunday, July 30
DR. JULIE FAITH PARKER

Dr. Julie Faith Parker returns to Marble for 10:00 O’Clock Hour and preaches at 11:00am Worship. This fall she begins as our new Bible Scholar in Residence.

10:00 O’Clock Hour – Embracing the Bible’s Children
Most of us tend to think of the biblical world as inhabited by adults, but the Bible contains wonderful and surprising stories of little-known children who are integral to the history of sal-vation. This session introduces childist biblical interpretation—a new development in biblical scholarship—which explores the value and vulnerability of children in the biblical world. Come and discover a whole new dimension to the Bible that brims with possibilities, much like children themselves.

YOUR GIFT AS YOUR LEGACY

For many years, members and friends have included Marble Collegiate Church in their financial and estate plans. These generous gifts have made the ministries of Marble Church much stronger. All gifts to Marble are deeply appreciated. Some people have begun making legacy gifts to Marble while they are still alive to be able to see the benefit of their generosity in action.

Unrestricted gifts are always the most valuable because they provide the Church with the flexibility to meet whatever needs are most urgent at the time. If, however, you prefer to designate your bequest to benefit a particular program or to honor a loved one, please contact Dr. Elise Brown, EliseBrown@MarbleChurch.org, or Clay Hale, CHale@MarbleChurch.org, to assist you with the language and ensure your intentions are honored. All inquiries to Marble about planned giving will be kept in the strictest confidence.
SPEAK, O LORD
Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You, to receive the food of Your
ho·ly word. Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and
mil·i·ty. Test our thoughts and our at·ti·tudes in the
fash·ion us in Your like·ness, that the light of Christ might be
ra·di·ance of Your pu·ri·ty. Cause our faith to rise; cause our
e·cho down through e·ter·ni·ty. And by grace we’ll stand on Your
seen to·day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
eyes to see Your ma·jes·tic love and au·thor·i·ty.
prom·is·es and by faith we’ll walk as You walk with us.

Speak, O Lord, and ful·fill in us all Your
Words of pow’r that can nev·er fail; Let their
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the

pur·pos·es for Your glo·ry.
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earth is filled with Your glo·ry.

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