

All Are Welcome



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH
Where We Discover We Were Made for More

Sunday, August 8, 2021

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

PRELUDE Partita in E MajorJohann Sebastian Bach
II. Loure III. Gavotte en Randeau
Mari Lee, violin

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT Zion's Walls from Old American SongsAaron Copland
Laura Strickling, soprano

HYMN 62 We Praise Thee, O God, Our RedeemerKremser
Please refer to hymnal (in pew/online) or on-screen lyrics.

INVOCATION

SOLO If God Be for Us from MessiahGeorge Frideric Handel
Laura Strickling, soprano; Mari Lee, violin
If God be for us, who can be against us? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, ye rather, that is risen again, who is at the right hand of God, who makes intercession for us.
- Romans 8:31, 33-34

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 408 Blest Be the Tie That BindsDennis
Please refer to hymnal (in pew/online) or on-screen lyrics.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE1 John 3:14-18
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **What Makes Us Happier?:**
RELATIONSHIPS Dr. Michael Bos
Part 2 of Sermon Series

HYMN **Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers** *Pleading Savior*
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 the card in the pews, to take you to a secure website, Realm, to give. Donation boxes also placed around the Sanctuary. You may also mail a check; keep in mind processing takes longer. We are grateful for your faithful support.

SOLO **Hear Ye, Israel! from Elijah** Felix Mendelssohn
Laura Strickling, soprano
Hear ye, Israel! Hear what the Lord speaketh: "Oh, had'st thou heeded my commandments!" Who hath believed our report? To whom is the arm of the Lord revealed? Thus saith the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to him oppressed by Tyrants; thus saith the Lord: "I, I am He that comforteth; be not afraid, for I am thy God, I will strengthen thee! Say, who art thou, that thou art afraid of a man that shall die, and forgettest the Lord thy Maker, who hath stretched forth the heavens and laid the earth's foundations? I, I am He that comforteth; be not afraid for I, I am thy God. I, thy God will strengthen thee."
— Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 41:10; Isaiah 48:1, 18; Isaiah 51:12-13; Isaiah 53:1

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!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE **Wir Danken Dir, Gott (We Thank Thee, God)** J. S. Bach

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Dr. Michael Bos, Rev. Anthony Livolsi
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, let us know you are there.



FLOWERS ARE PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY
In loving memory of her son, **Scott Creedon**, by Valerie Doll

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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



Sunday Worship, August 15 – 11:00am

What Makes Us Happier?: Purpose

Dr. Michael Bos. *Part 3 of Series*

Holy Communion. For those at home, please have ordinary elements of bread and juice nearby.

Registration for in-person Worship required; opens each Monday 9:00am. Whether one is vaccinated or not, usage of masks and social distancing required. For more details including updated safety protocols, visit MarbleChurch.org.

IF YOU NEED HELP – REACH OUT

Call the Marble Care Line, 800-531-1913, Wednesdays through Sundays, 12:00-8:00pm (available to adults 18 years and older). A trained volunteer will be there to listen.

Marble's Stephen Ministers may be able to help you with spiritual/emotional support in difficult times. Email: StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org

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



THANK OUR GOD FOR SISTERS, BROTHERS

Text by Roger Powell, 1948; Tune: *Pleading Savior*, American folk hymn



1. Thank our_ God for_ sis - ters, brothers, one by_ grace, in_
 2. Praise to_ God for_ con - gre - ga - tions, keep - ing_ faith with
 3. Ho - ly_ is Your name for - ev - er! Heal di - vis - ions_



har - mo - ny, join - ing_ heart to_ heart with oth - ers,
 Christ as guide; Man - y_ tongues of_ man - y na - tions,
 that re - main; Bless the_ church - 's_ new en - deav - ors;



mak - ing_ strong com - mu - ni - ty. With the_ cross of
 song and_ ser - vice_ u - ni - fied. Sweet the_ psalm and
 make our_ wit - ness, - one a - gain. One in_ Christ and



Christ our_ stand - ard, let us_ sing as with one_ voice,
 sweet the_ car - ol, when our_ song is raised as_ one.
 in Christ's gos - pel, make us_ one we now im - plore.



Glo - ry, glo - ry, Yours the prom - ise, we who are the church re - joice.
 Glo - ry, glo - ry, Yours the pow - er, as in heav'n Your will be done.
 Glo - ry, glo - ry, Yours the glo - ry, then and now and ev - er - more.

Life at Marble

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

BEFORE WORSHIP



Prayer Circle – 10:00am, Zoom. Weekly time of prayer and music. All you need is a willing heart, an internet connection or telephone. *Every week.*

Summer Spirituality Series: What's Next? – 10:00am, online. Please see page 5. *Sunday Morning Bible Study* returns after Labor Day. If you missed a session or want to see again, view archive at MarbleChurch.org/Watch.

CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



Online Sunday School – We are taking a “screen break” in August for families to enjoy more time together. Stay tuned for information about Fall 2021 programming.

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 – take that step and journey forward with us! For more information, please contact Kim Sebastian-Ryan, KRyan@MarbleChurch.org.

Baptism

If you're interested in exploring Baptism for yourself or your children, please contact Rev. Brittany Hanlin, BHAnlin@MarbleChurch.org. Currently, Baptisms scheduled during Sunday Worship on September 19 and October 17.

UPCOMING



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 / On hiatus for the remainder of summer – Please check back this fall for updated schedule.

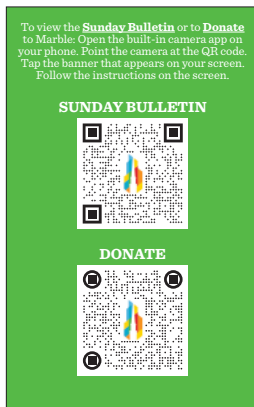
ANTI-RACISM RESOURCES



Marble is dedicated to sharing the best resources we have found on learning and growing in our shared commitment to racial justice and anti-racism. Please visit MarbleChurch.org/anti-racism-resource-guide for a list of books, articles, podcasts and films so you can learn and help us in the on-going conversation.

Visit MarbleChurch.org/monthly-racial-justice-series if you missed our **Racial Justice Series** sessions or want to watch again. Fall 2021 we continue our conversations.

Spotlight



A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WORSHIPING WITH US IN THE SANCTUARY!

QR Codes Available to Donate & Access Sunday Bulletin

When you Worship with us in the Sanctuary, you'll find these new cards in the pew racks to help you contribute to the Offering (*donation boxes also available*) and to see a digital version of the bulletin.

Point and focus the camera app on your smartphone to the QR code, tap the banner that appears on your screen, then follow instructions.

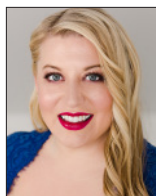
We want to be good stewards of the earth God created, so although a small quantity of printed bulletins are available in the Sanctuary, we encourage you to use the digital bulletin so we can limit the amount of paper we use.

The digital Sunday bulletin can also be accessed at MarbleChurch.org. It pops up in a box directly below the streaming window on the homepage or Watch page, and, as early as Friday, you can also find it on the calendar page for a particular date. Follow along during Worship or download it for easy reference during the week.

SUMMER VOCAL ARTISTS' SERIES

Sundays during Worship, through August 22

We are blessed to have the extraordinary artistry of solo vocal artists singing sacred gems in Worship live from the Sanctuary. Hear music from Handel to Bernstein to contemporary songs that are sure to stir your heart. Be inspired and moved by their talent and ministry!



Today, August 8

LAURA STRICKLING (soprano) was praised by The New York Times for her, "flexible voice, crystalline diction, and warm presence." She created the role of Fanni Radnóti in the World Premiere of Tom Cipullo's opera *The Parting*, curated The New Music Shelf Anthology for Soprano, and received critical acclaim for her 2020 CD, *Confessions*: "Strickling is a soprano of consummate artistry..." (*Classical Singer Magazine*). She recently announced The 40@40 Project to commission 40 art songs by 40 composers in 2021. A Chicago native, Laura has lived in Fez (Morocco), Kabul (Afghanistan), and currently makes her home in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. More at www.laurastrickling.com.

Next Sunday, August 15 – Lauren-Rose King

with special guest **Marcus Jefferson**



Summer Spirituality Series WHAT'S NEXT?

Sundays through August 29, 10:00am

In these days of continuing uncertainty, Marble ministers help us ponder What's Next. Please join us online. If you can't watch live, view later at MarbleChurch.org/Watch.

August 8 – Dr. Michael Bos
How Our Past Informs Our Future

August 15 – Rev. Barbara Crafton
The Life Beyond this One - Part 2

August 22 – Rev. Susanah Wade
Letting Our Guards Down

August 29 – Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin
Good Grief: The Mourning After - Part 2



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Keep the conversation going – Marble on Social Media   

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



ARTS POP-UP GALLERY Summer Joy! Virtual Reality Art Exhibit through Labor Day

Visual artists present artwork that expresses scenes and experiences of a vibrant summer in full swing. View at MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry.



ENCOURAGING WORD

Call 212-686-2774 – Hear an uplifting recorded message from one of Marble’s ministers 24/7 (*messages change periodically*).

Be encouraged and pass it on.



FORUM 2021: SACRED FOOD ~ BLESSED EARTH Thursday, September 9, 10:00am-1:30pm

Marble is partnering again with the Temple of Understanding for this virtual global forum on the environment – a call to all spiritual and religious leaders and activists for a return to local, biodiverse organic food systems which regenerate soil, water and biodiversity while providing healthy sustenance for all.

We'll explore:

- The Indigenous heritage of sacred food and reclaiming ancient wisdom to protect our future
- Scientists on the impact of industrialized agriculture
- Sacred food from an Interfaith perspective
- Working farmers and organizers on International perspectives on regenerative farming and faith-based farming in the United States
- International Interfaith prayers and sacred music

For details, visit templeofunderstanding.org/save-the-date-forum2021-sacred-food-blessed-earth/.



Use of photographic and recording devices is not permitted during the service. Assistive Listening System, Large print and Braille copies of bulletin available—ask an usher. The south central pews of our Sanctuary are equipped with an Induction Hearing Loop. If your hearing aid has a T-coil, please toggle to that setting to receive our audio signal directly without any headset needed.

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