



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH

Where We Discover We Were Made for More

Sunday, September 19, 2021

PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Grace Notes: Inside the Music, 10:50am

PRELUDE March and Scherzetto *from Richard III* William Walton
 Romanza from Christopher Columbus William Walton

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT Woke Up This Mornin' *African American Spiritual*

HYMN 146 **Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above** (*Verses 1-4*) . . . *Mit Freuden Zart*
Please refer to hymnal (in pew/online) or on-screen lyrics.

INVOCATION

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Teanna Marie Libby

McKenna Grey Libby, daughter of
Samantha and Teanna Libby

ANTHEM Prayer Egil Hovland
Now I bow my heart in silence, in this still and quiet hour. Sorrow's hold on me is fading,
clamoring voices lose their power. Take this day which lies before me, guide me safe
until tomorrow, for I know that you can finish what I find of joy or sorrow. All my harmful
thoughts and actions, heal and make them new and wholesome. Take my days and
make them over. Come, transform their dust to diamond. Lift them up and bear them
from me, I will leave them in your keeping. Lead me, guide me, walk beside me, let me
rest within Thy keeping. – *Karin Boye, trans Gracia Grindal; Alt text by Kenneth Dake*

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 **I Do Not Know Tomorrow's Way** *O Waly Waly*
Please refer to on-screen lyrics or music on page 3 of bulletin.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Exodus 13:17-22
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **Life: Under Construction**
DEALING WITH LIFE'S DETOURS Dr. Michael Bos
Part 2 of Sermon Series

HYMN 50 **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah** *Cwm Rhondda*
Please refer to hymnal (in pew/online) or on-screen lyrics.

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.

ANTHEM Let All the World in Every Corner Sing Kenneth Dake
Let all the world in every corner sing: my God and King! The heavens are not too high, God's praise may thither fly. The earth is not too low, God's praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing: my God and King! The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing: my God and King! – *George Herbert*


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 AND CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *March from Prelude to Richard III* William Walton

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Rev. Anthony Livolsi, Rev. Susanah Wade, Rhonda Musak, *lay reader*
The Marble Choir, Kenneth V. Dake, *director of music*





TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Back-to-School Online Coffee Hour – As we head back to church and our kids head back to school, stay connected for fellowship and an opportunity to learn about how we can give back beyond the walls of our church.

Use this QR Code to join us online whether you're in the Sanctuary or at home. Point and focus your smartphone camera app on the QR code, tap the banner that appears on screen, then follow instructions.

Today's GIFTS: LGBTQ Fellowship Welcome Back Coffee Hour has been postponed. Please join us at the All-Church Coffee Hour.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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



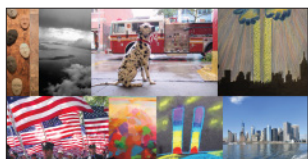
Sunday Worship, September 26 – 11:00am

When God Seems Silent – Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D.

In-Person Worship – Registration is not required to attend as long as we remain under our 250 limit. Whether one is vaccinated or not, usage of masks and social distancing required. We continue to encourage everyone to get a vaccine to help prevent the spread of the virus. For details including updated safety protocols, visit MarbleChurch.org.

Call-In Worship – 866-893-5381

Those without internet can call on Sunday afternoons and during the following week to listen to full service or sermon & scripture only.



SACRED REMEMBRANCE – A 9/11 TRIBUTE Virtual Art Exhibit through September

Visual artists present artwork marking the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy. View at MarbleChurch.org/engage/arts-ministry.



I DO NOT KNOW TOMORROW'S WAY

Text: Margaret Clarkson; Tune: *O Waly Waly*, English traditional



1. & 4. I do not know to - mor - row's way, If dark or
2. I do not know what may be - fall Of grief or
3. I do not know when eve - ning falls, if soon or



bright its hours may be; But I know Christ, and come what
glad - ness, peace or__ pain; But I know Christ, and through it__
late earth's day grows dim; But I know Christ, and when He__



may, I know that He a - bides with__ me.
all I know His pres - ence will sus - tain.
calls I know He'll call me home to__ Him.

(Repeat Verse 1)

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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. **Please note: in October, Prayer Circle meets at 9:30am.***

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Caring for Creation – 10:00am, Marble Loft. Attend in person (limited-capacity), or stream at MarbleChurch.org. If you miss a session or want to see again, view archive at MarbleChurch.org/Watch.

CYF CORNER – CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY



Sunday School & Youth Group – Pre-K – 6th Grades Classes: 10:00am. *Children's Choir:* 11:15am. *Youth Choir:* 10:00am. *7th-12th Grade* attend 11:00am Worship, followed by *Youth Group* at 12:00pm. *Please note, no infant or toddler childcare this fall.*

For details, please contact Brian Hampton, BHampton@MarbleChurch.org or Rev. Brittany, BRyan@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, BRyan@MarbleChurch.org. Currently, Baptisms scheduled during Sunday Worship on **October 17**.

UPCOMING



Season of Prayer for the RCA / through October 19 – Join other congregations surrounding the upcoming General Assembly with prayer as some important decisions will be made for the denomination. Sign up at rca.org/season-of-prayer/ to join a weekly Friday Zoom call or receive a daily prayer email.

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.

Women's Ministry Virtual Coffee Hour / Monday, September 20, 6:30pm – We kick off this year's theme, **Together We Rise: Resilience Through Faith**.

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.

PrimeTime (55+) / Wednesday, September 22, 1:00pm – We gather on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays via Zoom. For details, contact Baleta McKenzie, BMcKenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

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

Arts Ministry Open House via Zoom / Monday, October 4, 6:30-8:00pm – As the Arts Ministry approaches its 41st year, see what this dynamic group is all about. Register online.

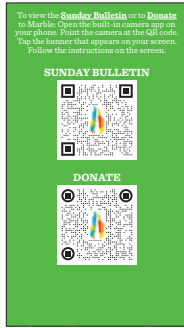
HELP OTHERS



Donate School Supplies – Leave at Marble Sunday, September 19. For those who join us online only, there are ways for you to make a positive difference in a child's life that includes volunteering to help a 2nd to 5th grader in Math and English Language Arts. Training provided. Learn more at Coffee Hour September 19.

Prayer Shawl Ministry / Monday, September 20, 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



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

QR Codes Available to Donate & Access Sunday Bulletin

When you Worship in the Sanctuary, you'll find 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 your smartphone camera app on the QR code, tap the banner that appears on 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, 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.



BIBLE STUDY FALL 2021

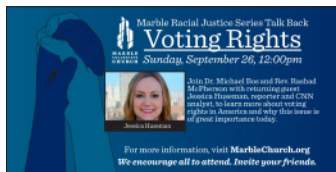
Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10:00-10:45am

Join Rev. Anthony Livolsi and special guest presenters for a series exploring the Bible's call to be good and wise stewards of the earth. Limited-capacity, in-person attendance or stream at MarbleChurch.org. Weekly through October 17.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Starting date now October 12, 6:30pm

A yearlong read-through of the Gospel of Matthew. Led by Rev. Anthony Livolsi via Zoom. Link at MarbleChurch.org.



MARBLE RACIAL JUSTICE SERIES

In May 2020, not long after video footage of George Floyd's murder went viral, actions against racial injustice sprang up around the country. At Marble we recognized spiritual and moral imperatives to take up the work of anti-racism from a faith perspective in meaningful ways. Join us as we deepen our commitments to **do** anti-racism, and to **be** a place of refuge and love for all of God's people.

Voting Rights Talk Back

Sunday, September 26, immediately after Worship in the Sanctuary

Join Dr. Michael Bos and Rev. Rashad McPherson with returning guest **Jessica Huseman**, reporter and CNN analyst, to learn more about voting rights in America and why this issue is of great importance today.



NEW ONLINE SMALL GROUPS

Begin in October

We're excited to have our ministers leading Small Groups this fall exploring areas like *What do I believe?*, *How do I grow in my faith?*, & *Who am I?* Learn more and sign up at MarbleChurch.org.

The Messy Business of Belief

Dr. Michael Bos, Wednesdays, 7:00pm

Life of the Beloved

Rev. Brittany Hanlin, Tuesdays, 6:30pm

Practical Ways to Know God's Presence

Rev. J. Elise Brown, Ph.D., Thursdays, 12:00pm

Let Your Life Speak

Rev. Anthony Livolsi, Mondays, 6:30pm



A TIME OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION:

PRAYERS OF HOMECOMING

Saturday, October 2, 10:00-10:30am

Join The Marble Prayer Ministry Team and Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin for this time of prayer via Zoom. Link at MarbleChurch.org.



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



MARBLEGIFTSHOP.COM

After months of planning, we're happy to announce the unveiling of MARBLEGIFTSHOP.com! There you'll find favorite reads, apparel, masks, jewelry, posters, home goods and more. Proceeds go toward furthering the mission of Marble. **For the month of September, get 10% off by using the coupon code, Marble10.**

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

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/racial-justice-series if you missed our **Racial Justice Series** sessions or want to watch again. Fall 2021 we continue our conversations, see page 5.



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.



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