



MARBLE COLLEGIATE CHURCH

Dr. Michael B. Brown, Senior Minister

Sunday, May 14, 2017

Fifth Avenue at West 29th Street, New York City

Order of Service

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PLEASE SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

After chimes are rung all are invited to observe a time of quiet preparation for worship.

PRELUDE “Songs My Mother Taught Me”Antonin Dvořák, arr. Fritz Kreisler

WELCOME AND MINISTRY SHARING

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT “Psalm 150” Louie White

HYMN 5 “**For the Beauty of the Earth**” *Dix*

INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (use “debts”)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

ANTHEM Magnificat Charles Villiers Stanford
Christina Kay, *soprano*

This “Song of Mary” is Mary’s joyful response to the news that she is to bear the Son of God, and is sung today in honor of all mothers. “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.” — Luke 1:42

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden, for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For He that is mighty hath magnified me: and Holy is His Name. And His mercy is on them that fear Him, throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with His arm, He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts; He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things and the rich He hath sent empty away. He, remembering His mercy hath holpen His servant Israel as He promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever. [Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.] — Luke 1:46-55

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

HYMN “**Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us**” *Please refer to insert.*

ANTHEM “Thank You” Paul Hennessee
Marble Cherub Choir, Karie Brown, *director*; Jason Pomerantz, *accompanist*
Thank You, God in heaven, for a day begun. Thank You for the breezes, thank You for the sun.
For this time of gladness, for our work and play, thank You, God in heaven, for another day.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE Matthew 12:46-49 (*Pew Bible, page 794*)
Following the reading, Leader: The Word of God for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “**THE FAMILY OF JESUS**” Dr. Michael B. Brown
Today’s sermon available on CD; visit MarbleVision Table at Coffee Hour.

HYMN 457 “**Jesus Loves Me**” *Jesus Loves Me*

CALL FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER

ANTHEM “Order My Steps” Glenn Burleigh
Marcus Jordan, *baritone*

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 Fugue on the Magnificat J. S. Bach

PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE
Rev. Kirsty DePree, Rev. Chad Tanaka Pack
Marble Festival of Voices; Susan Heerema, *violin*

Live stream Sunday Worship at MarbleChurch.org.

Use of photographic and tape recording equipment is not permitted during the service.
Assistive Listening System available—ask an usher.

Next Sunday

May 21

11:00am Worship, “**Behavior Counts**” — Dr. Michael B. Brown

Today

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is administered today to **Jaylyn Daphne Santiago**, daughter of Jason Daniel Santiago and JanetLee Wyche Santiago.

FLOWERS ARE PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY — In loving memory of **Dorothy Allen** by Susie Allen.



CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES MINISTRY

Sunday School — **Toddlers - 3rd Grade, 276 5th Ave, Room 303**, 10:00am-12:00pm; **4th - 12th Grade, 276 5th Ave, Room 300**, 10:00am-12:00pm. (See page 5 for Nursery information.)

BEFORE WORSHIP

Prayer Circle — 10:00am, Chapel. A time of prayer, Scripture reading and hymn singing. Led by Rev. Gregory Johnson. *Meets weekly*. Holy Communion most Sundays. Last Sunday of month, connect from around the world via video conference. For details and to sign up for special link, contact Siobhan Tull, STull@Marblechurch.org.

Bible Study with Sister Carol Perry: Living the Word — 10:00am, Labyrinth Room. Paul was transformed by Jesus' message that all of us are one. Do we hear it the same way? What could it mean if each of us was a student as open to Christ as was Paul? It might be a new way to live. Shall we investigate the possibilities? *Through May 28*.

Grace Notes: Inside the Music with Kenneth Dake — 10:50am, Sanctuary. Join our online worshippers as Ken shares historic and theological background on the day's choral selections, hymns, preludes and postludes. If you miss it live, watch online when you get home. *Most Sundays*.

AFTER WORSHIP

Live Sermon Talk Back with Dr. Brown — Immediately after Worship, Sanctuary. Join Dr. Brown and Marble's online community for a conversation about today's sermon. Submit questions on Talk Back card in pews or email: Connect@MarbleChurch.org.

Coffee Hour — 12:15pm, Marble Loft (274 5th Ave). All invited. Make new friends, greet old ones. Visit Welcome and Action Tables, learn about ministries and outreach.

Small Groups Sign Up — 12:15pm, Marble Loft. Sign up for new groups on **The Book of Joy** by The Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Began Wednesday, May 10: online, 1:00-2:00pm, contact Siobhan Tull for link, STull@MarbleChurch.org; or in-person 7:20-8:30pm. Visit Small Group Table during Coffee Hour or contact Baleta McKenzie, BMckenzie@MarbleChurch.org.

Women's Ministry Baby Shower — 12:15pm, Labyrinth Room. A time of fellowship and service for Hour Children. Bring unwrapped items for 2-4 year olds. \$10.

Prayer Room Open — 12:15pm, next to Reception/29th St Lobby. Pray with a member of Marble Prayer Team or speak to a Stephen Minister.

Ecclesia Ministry — Help host and transport lunches and altar for open-air worship for the homeless in Madison Square Park starting at 2:00pm. Meet in front of 276 5th Ave at 1:30pm.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR HELPING OTHERS

To sign-up or for more information, please visit Action Volunteer Table after Worship during Coffee Hour, contact Tom Schneider, TSchneider@MarbleChurch.org, ext. 258, or check MarbleChurch.org.

P. S. 30 Summer Activity Backpacks / Through June 25 — Please donate school supplies for students in our P.S. 30 Tutorial Enrichment Program. We will give them backpacks that include age appropriate readers and other activity items. Monetary donations also welcome; make checks payable to Marble, write "P.S. 30 Summer Backpacks" in memo, mail to attention of Tom Schneider or place in offering plate.

Bowery Mission Dinner / Saturday, May 27 — Help serve dinner to the homeless, 5:30-7:30pm. See Tom Schneider for details.

Habitat for Humanity Partnership Builds / June 17 — Help build four houses over the next four years! To sign up, visit MarbleChurch.org/Give/Habitatforhumanity or visit Action Table.

Congregational Care Prayer Shawl Ministry / 1st & 3rd Mondays, 4:30-5:30pm — Knit/crochet prayer shawls for ill/homebound. Materials provided; *all levels*. In Peale Parlor. Contact Judy Tulin.



By entering the Sanctuary, you grant to Marble Collegiate Church unrestricted right to use and publish, transmit or telecast photographs or likenesses that might be taken of you this day for use in communications related to the church. If you are uncomfortable in the Sanctuary you are welcome to worship downstairs in the Chapel.

Upcoming

MEMORIAL SERVICE — Ms. June LeBell Alley. Saturday, May 20, 3:00pm. Sanctuary.

WEWO: WEDNESDAY WORSHIP Every Week in the Marble Loft, 6:15pm



May 17, Dr. Michael B. Brown preaching

May 24, Rev. Chad Tanaka Pack preaching

A blend of traditional and contemporary worship styles, creating an informal and Spirit-filled mix. Music by praise ensemble. Holy Communion first Wednesday of month. *Sermon audio posted online. Childcare available, 276 5th Ave, Room 303.*

TUESDAY, MAY 16 and THURSDAY, MAY 18 | Sister Carol Perry's *Spirituality in the Workplace Bible Studies* — At Marble, Tuesday Noon. At St. Bartholomew's Welcome Ctr, 325 Park Ave (at 51st St), Thursday Noon. **These are Sr. Carol's last weekday classes.** Join her Sundays at 10:00am through May 28.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 11:00am-12:00pm | Wednesday Morning Prayers — Rev. Gregory Johnson leads a time of prayer in Chapel, most Wednesdays. All welcome! Meet Rev. Johnson for individual prayer/family caregiving issues, 12:00-1:00pm; contact Judy Tulin to schedule.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 12:00pm | 60+ Fellowship — Soup & salad, \$7, followed by program at 1:00pm: ***The People of the Past Program*** from The Mount Vernon Hotel Museum transport us back to early 19th-century NYC. Marble Loft.

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 6:30-8:30pm | SAGE Table — Believe Out Loud and Marble's GIFTS Fellowship host potluck dinner for the LGBTQ community and allies to talk about aging. RSVP required, online at <http://bit.ly/BOLGIFTS> or contact Stan Williams, swilliams@sageusa.org. Sign up to bring a dish. At Intersections International, 145 W. 28th St.

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 12:15pm | GIFTS: LGBTQ Fellowship Coffee Hour — Join us for this time of fellowship. We welcome Sister Carol Perry as our special guest. Labyrinth Room.

For more details, to register, or for full listing of all our programming, please visit MarbleChurch.org or stop by Welcome Center after Worship during Coffee Hour.

Information



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PRACTICAL FAITH PODCAST WITH DR. MICHAEL BROWN — Dr. Brown offers a steady, inspiring voice on how Faith can help us with the deeper questions and real life struggles we encounter every day. Listen or download at MarbleChurch.org/connect/ podcast or subscribe at iTunes.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE RIBBONS ON FENCE — Please join us as we continue to pray for an end to all conflict and violence. Visit website for meaning of each ribbon color.

WALK THE LABYRINTH — Available most Wednesdays before WeWo, 5:00-6:00pm, and first Sunday of each month, 1:00-3:00pm. *Schedule could vary, call to confirm.*

MARIANNE WILLIAMSON'S WEEKLY TALKS — Tuesdays, 7:30pm, Marble Sanctuary. \$20, but no one turned away if unable to pay. Also live streamed. Details at Marianne.com.

WHEN YOU NEED HELP

To ask for prayer, or share feedback, use Prayer Request card in pews or visit Prayer Room after Worship (off 29th St lobby). Members of Marble Prayer Ministry Team spend at least two weeks in prayer over each request.

Marble's Stephen Ministers may be able to help you with spiritual/emotional support in difficult times. Visit Prayer Room after Worship or email: StephenMinistry@MarbleChurch.org.

Pastoral Counseling with Dr. Ken Ruge — Please call Judy Tulin to schedule.

Blanton-Peale Counseling Ctr — Individual, group, family. 212-725-7850, blantonpeale.org.

MARBLE'S MEDIA MINISTRY — Visit website or MarbleVision Table at Coffee Hour. **CDs, DVDs, books,** featuring Dr. Brown, Sr. Carol, Dr. Caliandro, Dr. Peale, and others. Subscribe to sermon Podcasts.

PARKING DISCOUNT — 7-11 W. 28 St, \$20, Sundays (7 hours) Marble Receptionist validates.

Welcome!

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY! Please stop by **Welcome Center** in **Marble Loft** (274 5th Ave) during Coffee Hour to learn more about our faith community. **New to Marble?** Pick up a welcome bag before Worship at Newcomers Table in Fifth Ave Narthex, or after Worship at Welcome Center. **Children's activity bags** available in Fifth Ave Narthex or from an usher. **Nursery available (infant-2yrs old), 2nd flr, 1 W 29th St, 9:30am-1:00pm.**

BECOME A MEMBER. Faith is a journey and we warmly invite you to join with us as you travel along. For information on New Member Orientations **come to Deacons' Pew (right of Chancel)** after Worship and talk with one of our Membership Team (wearing red carnations). Or call Kim Sebastian-Ryan, ext 221. We'd love to have you join us!

Spotlight



THISTLE FARMS SALES — Supporting a Ministry that Heals and Empowers Women Survivors

TODAY! 12:15pm, Marble Loft

If you are looking for Mother's Day or graduation gifts that "give back", come

to the Marble Loft after Worship to support the work of Thistle Farms by purchasing natural home and body products handmade by women survivors of trafficking, prostitution, and addiction. Thistle Farms was started in 1997 by CNN 2016 Top Ten Hero, Rev. Becca Stevens, under the name Magdalene, to HEAL, EMPOWER, AND EMPLOY women survivors.



FAMILY WORSHIP

Moving Up Celebration

Sunday, May 21, 10:00am

All invited to join the Children, Youth, and Families Ministry for their annual "Moving Up" Celebration. Led by Rev. Kirsty DePree and Jessica Scovel. Marble Loft.



SACRED SITES TOUR

Sunday, May 21, 1:00-3:30pm

We open our doors again as part of Landmarks Conservancy's Annual Sacred Sites Tour. Explore Marble's architecture and rich history. Docent led and self-guided tours. Free.



SISTER CAROL PERRY'S FAREWELL RECEPTION

Sunday, May 28, 12:30-2:30pm

Hear Sister Carol preach during 11:00am Worship, then join us at The Midtown Loft & Terrace, 267 5th Ave, 10th flr, for a farewell open house.

Please RSVP

Call: 212-686-2770, ext. 263

Email: reception@MarbleChurch.org

MARBLE SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL — Last week of June

Fine artists, playwrights, writers, poets, musicians, dancers and fashion designers invited to submit work for the first Marble Summer Arts Festival. Visit MarbleChurch.org/connect/ministries/arts for guidelines. **Submission deadline: Monday, May 15.** Questions? Contact Mario Sprouse, MSprouse@Marblechurch.org.

Hymn

LIKE A MOTHER WHO HAS BORNE US

Text: Daniel Bechtel, 1986 (V.5 by Kenneth Dake); Tune: William Rowan, 1992



1. Like a moth - er who has borne us, held us
2. Like a fa - ther who has taught us, grasped our
3. Though as chil - dren we have wan - dered, placed our
4. When we of - fer food and com - fort, grasp our
5. Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, heav'n - ly Moth - er, hold my



close in her de - light, fed us free - ly from her
hand and been our guide, lift - ed us and healed our
trust in power and might, left be - hind our broth - ers,
neigh - bor's hand in love, tread the path of peace and
life with - in Your own, in Your prom - ise is my



bod - y, God has called us in - to life. _____
sor - rows, God has walked with us in life. _____
sis - ters, God still calls us in - to life. _____
jus - tice, God still walks with us in life. _____
com - fort, in Your pres - ence I am home. _____

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Thank you to each of you who have given to the Easter Offering!

Thanks to your generosity, we have raised \$201,000. We are still \$19,000 away from our goal of \$220,000 so encourage you to give if you have not done so already. Here are ways to make your gift: 1) **Give online:** MarbleChurch.org/Give/Easter-Offering; 2) **Text** any dollar amount to **917-935-4491**; 3) Swipe your credit/debit card using the **Marble Loft Giving Kiosk**; 4) Use **Easter envelopes** still found around Marble.

100% of your gifts (no over-head) will be given to carefully vetted non-profits that feed the hungry, house the homeless, provide safety and new beginnings for vulnerable women and children, and promote peace and reconciliation.

Last year, with your support, we were able to help more than 50 organizations in our city and the world, which work every day to assist those in need and to be the voice of the marginalized and oppressed. We have been engaging in efforts to make a positive difference in our city and around the world for many years, and this year is no exception!

Thank you again and let's continue on this journey together to make a positive difference and give back.

