

MARQUAND READER

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THIS WEEK IN MARQUAND

Services begin at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome!

Monday:	“God Makes All Things New.” Preacher: The Rev. William Goettler
Tuesday:	A Service of Word and Song
Wednesday:	Sung Morning Prayer – a new setting by Jeremiah Wright-Haynes
Thursday:	A Service of the Word. Preacher: graduating student Angel Collie
Friday:	Community Eucharist. Reflection by dancer Andrew Nemr. Presider: John MacIver Gage, Senior Minister, United Church on the Green

Monday: “God Makes all Things New”

Today we celebrate God's timelessness in a service of the Word. We have been formed by our traditions. We have been molded by what we were taught. Yet God is not done with us. God is continuing to shape us, mold us, teach us, and make us new as we continue old traditions and develop new ones. And today, we will explore this way in which God is constantly enriching and gracing our lives. The Rev. Bill Goettler, Assistant Dean for Assessment and Ministerial Studies will preach.

Tuesday: A Service of Word and Song

How can we be joyful when we don't feel good? Much in the Christian tradition suggests that joy is something we practice, rather than a feeling that may or may not come to us. The practice of joy is associated with gratitude and praise, and this service gives an opportunity to give thanks and practice joy. We will also draw this into a five-point prayer. Many Christian traditions use a five-point prayer to guide their intercessions, praying for the church, the world, those in need, and close friends and family, before finally praying for ourselves. The idea is that only when we have prayed for the wider world are we able to see ourselves in perspective, and thus our prayers for ourselves emanate from gratitude and joy.

Wednesday: Sung Morning Prayer

We will begin a new cycle of Sung Morning Prayer this week. Constructed by Jeremiah Wright-Haynes, the service will include some of our favorite songs, such as Richard Smallwood's "Total Praise" and "I Love the Lord," and Mark Miller's setting of "The Lord's Prayer". Jeremiah will also lead us in learning some new songs as Hammond, Organ, Piano, and a variety of instrumentalists and vocalists help us raise our prayers to God through music.

Thursday: “I Need You to Survive”: A Service of the Word

Please join us for a service of the word from graduating student Angel Collie. We will sing songs of praise and reflect on the idea of how we need each other to survive. We also invite you to stand in solidarity to those individuals who have been persecuted in the transgender community.

Friday: Community Eucharist: Praise God with Timbrel and Dance

We are used to praising God with words. But can God speak with other voices? Renowned dancer Andrew Nemr will be joining us to offer homiletic inspiration, and our presider will be the Rev. John Gage, Senior Minister, United Church on the Green.

Andrew Nemr

Mentored by [Gregory Hines](#), Andrew Nemr is considered one of the most diverse tap dance artists today. Andrew has garnered a reputation for impeccable musicianship and sensitivity, and respect for the craft that he loves. A 2012 TED Global Fellow and the artist in residence for the Quarterly Arts Soiree (QAS) at Webster Hall, Andrew received an NEA Masterpieces: Dance Initiative Grant to reconstruct the works of classic tap dance soloists, garnering critical and popular acclaim upon their presentation in *Echoes In Time*. Collectively, Andrew's choreography and solo work has been described as "a welcome return to the elegance of simplicity and the tap dancer as maker of aural magic" ([exploredance.com](#)) and "deeply touching" (Daily Gazette).



The Marquand Chapel Team, 2013-14

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