

# New Market Presbyterian Church

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Sunday School – 10:00 A.M., Fellowship Hall  
Fellowship – 10:45 A.M., Fellowship Hall  
Worship – 11:00 A.M., Sanctuary  
Song Leader: Jerry Tignor  
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Youth Celebrant: Susan Faulk

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Dear Members, Family, and Friends of New Market  
Presbyterian Church,

Welcome to our new newsletter! As part of our church transition, this newsletter has been designed to keep you informed of church happenings and upcoming events. Many thanks to Brad Hall for providing content and newsletter tips for this edition. As this is a work in progress, please let us know if there is anything we can do to improve the newsletter.

Grace and Peace,

Beverly Watson  
Newsletter Editor and Ruling Elder  
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## PRAYER REQUESTS

Brad Hall, as he moves forward in this next phase of his career.

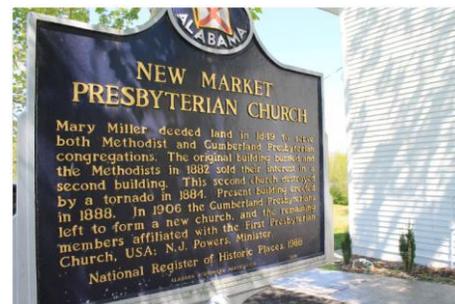
Eli Miller is not doing so well. Please remember him and his daughter, Debbie Miller in your prayers.

Hesta Farrow continues to do well but can use your prayers.

Susan Faulk and other graduates for the next phase in their lives.

Please join us in our prayer for new members, new ways of serving

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## Upcoming Events

### May 25

Susan Faulk's  
Commencement Exercises at  
The Von Braun Center, 3 PM

### May 29

Bible in 90 Days, 3 PM

### June 5

Session Meeting after worship

Bible in 90 Days, 3 PM

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## Sunday School Hostesses

### MAY

29 Marie Marlin

### JUNE

05 To be determined

12 Nell/Laura

19 Devon Reynolds

26 Velma Crumrine

Thanks to Joyce Mallory for  
our Hostess List, and thanks to  
all who serve in this important  
ministry of hospitality.

## Thank You!

Thanks to Devon Reynolds for  
supplying today's sermon!

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our neighbors, and new ways of bringing Christ's joy to one another.

## May 22 is Trinity Sunday

On Trinity Sunday we proclaim the mystery of our faith in the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, One-in-Three and Three-in-One.

The celebration of Trinity Sunday began among Western Christians in the 10th century and developed slowly until it was formally established on the Sunday after Pentecost by Pope John XXII (1316-1334).

### UNFATHOMABLE MYSTERY

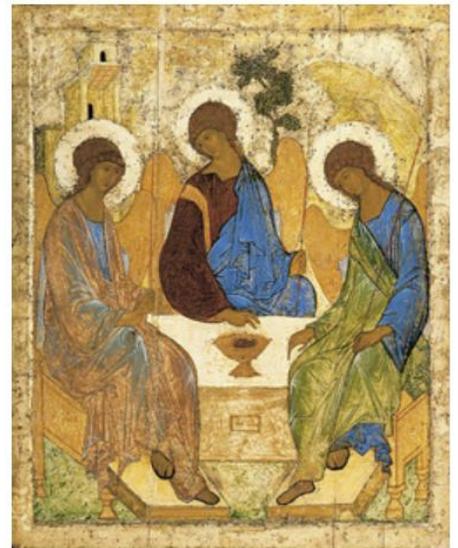
An excerpt from the Companion to the Book of Common Worship (Geneva Press, 2003, 149-150)

Unlike other festivals in the church's liturgical calendar, Trinity Sunday centers on a doctrine of the church, rather than an event. It celebrates the unfathomable mystery of God's being as Holy Trinity. It is a day of adoration and praise of the one, eternal, incomprehensible God.

Trinity Sunday, in a sense, synthesizes all we have celebrated over the past months which have centered on God's mighty acts: Christmas-Epiphany celebrating God's taking flesh and dwelling among us in Jesus Christ; Easter celebrating Christ's death and resurrection for us; Pentecost celebrating God the Holy Spirit becoming our Sanctifier, Guide, and Teacher. It is, therefore, a fitting transition to that part of the year when Sunday by Sunday the work of God among us is unfolded in a more general way.

The triune God is the basis of all we are and do as Christians. In the name of this triune God we are baptized. As the baptized ones we bear the name of the triune God in our being. We are of the family of the triune God. We affirm this parentage when, in reciting the creeds, we say what we believe. Our discipleship is rooted in the mighty acts of this triune God who is active in redeeming the world. The triune God is the basis of all our prayers — we pray to God the Father, *through* Jesus Christ, *by* the Holy Spirit. The Trinity holds central place in our faith.

In celebrating Trinity Sunday, remember that every Lord's Day is consecrated to the triune God. On the first day of the week, God



Russian icon by Andrei Rublev (1360-1430) depicting the three visitors to Abraham and Sarah (Genesis 18).

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## 2016 Session Members

Please let a session member know of any special needs or ministry opportunities in our extended church family or in the community.

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began creation. On the first day of the week, God raised Jesus from the grave. On the first day of the week, the Holy Spirit descended on the newly born church. Every Sunday is special. Every Sunday is a day of the Holy Trinity.

Article Source: <http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/trinity-sunday/>

## Community Outreach

**BIBLE IN 90 DAYS.** Thanks to DEVON REYNOLDS for her leadership over the last few weeks. Today our usual facilitator, NAP Executive Presbyterian TAMMY GREGORY BROWN, is spending time with her daughter, who is graduating from college.

Each Sunday afternoon we gather at 3:00 P.M. to discuss our weekly readings, and hit the high spots of what we have read. The program will continue through July 17th.

"B90" is "a group-oriented Bible reading curriculum, which helps people attentively read the entire Bible - from cover to cover - in 90 days. Churches across denominations, prisons, drug rehabilitation missions, corporate Bible studies and neighborhood small groups have all used the curriculum successfully to help people read the entire Bible. Small towns have even invited their citizens to do this curriculum. Groups have ranged from 2 people to 1,000 people spanning 49 states and 20 countries." You can find out more about this program at the B90 website: <http://scriptureawakening.com/b90/>.

**HELP FEED OUR HUNGRY NEIGHBORS!** Velma Crumrine reports that our food offerings have been good, and that the food bank has been proud to receive them. Times are hard and needs are great. We receive items year-round in the box near the entrance to the fellowship hall. Our special food collection day is the third Sunday of every month, in conjunction with Family Luncheon. The food pantry's most needed items are canned soups and canned tomatoes. Other items often requested are boxed macaroni and macaroni and cheese dinners, rice, peanut butter, instant pancake mix (the kind that requires only water), and Bisquick or similar products. There is a box for pantry items in the fellowship hall. Velma Crumrine is faithful in carrying the collections to the Community Food Pantry at the Methodist church.

PLEASE LET US KNOW of good works being done in and for our church. We don't want them to go unnoticed.

Remember that we contribute to **HOPE PLACE**, a shelter for abused women and their children. They can especially use women's clothing and toiletries. Old cell phones are valuable too, as these can be given to at-risk clients so that they may call 911 in an emergency.

## For Next Week

### Revised Common Lectionary Readings for Sunday, May 29, 2016, the Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

First Reading 1 Kings 18:20-21 (22-29) 30-39

Psalm Psalm 96:1-13

Second Reading Galatians 1:1-12

Gospel Luke 7:1-10

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#### First Reading 1 Kings 18:20-21 (22-29) 30-39

20So Ahab sent to all the Israelites, and assembled the prophets at Mount Carmel. 21Elijah then came near to all the people, and said, "How long will you go limping with two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him." The people did not answer him a word. 22Then Elijah said to the people, "I, even I only, am left a prophet of the Lord; but Baal's prophets number four hundred and fifty. 23Let two bulls be given to us; let them choose one bull for themselves, cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it; I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. 24Then you call on the name of your god and I will call on the name of the Lord; the god who answers by fire is indeed God." All the people answered, "Well spoken!" 25Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose for yourselves one bull and prepare it first, for you are many; then call on the name of your god, but put no fire to it." 26So they took the bull that was given them, prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning until noon, crying, "O Baal, answer us!" But there was no voice, and no answer. They limped about the altar that they had made. 27At noon Elijah mocked them, saying, "Cry aloud! Surely he is a god; either he is meditating, or he has wandered away, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is asleep and must be awakened." 28Then they cried aloud and, as was their custom, they cut themselves with swords and lances until the blood gushed out over them. 29As midday passed, they raved on until the time of the offering of the oblation, but there was no voice, no answer, and no response.

30Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come closer to me"; and all the people came closer to him. First he repaired the altar of the Lord that had been thrown down; 31Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord came, saying, "Israel shall be your name"; 32with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord. Then he made a trench around the altar, large enough to contain two measures of seed. 33Next he put the wood in order, cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood. He said, "Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood." 34Then he said, "Do it a second time"; and they did it a second time. Again he said, "Do it a third time"; and they did it a third time, 35so that the water ran all round the altar, and filled the trench also with water.

36At the time of the offering of the oblation, the prophet Elijah came near and said, "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your bidding. 37Answer me, O Lord, answer me, so that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." 38Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering, the wood, the stones, and the dust, and even licked up the water that was in the trench. 39When all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord indeed is God; the Lord indeed is God."

## Psalm Psalm 96:1-13

- 1 O sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
he is to be revered above all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the peoples are idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.
- 6 Honor and majesty are before him;  
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in holy splendor;  
tremble before him, all the earth.
- 10 Say among the nations, "The LORD is king!  
The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.  
He will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- 12 let the field exult, and everything in it.  
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- 13 before the LORD; for he is coming,  
for he is coming to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world with righteousness,  
and the peoples with his truth.

## Second Reading Galatians 1:1-12

1 Paul an apostle — sent neither by human commission nor from human authorities, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead — 2 and all the members of God's family who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, 4 who gave himself for our sins to set us free from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, 5 to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

10 Am I now seeking human approval, or God's approval? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still pleasing people, I would not be a servant of Christ. 11 For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; 12 for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

## Gospel Luke 7:1-10

1 After Jesus had finished all his sayings in the hearing of the people, he entered Capernaum. 2 A centurion there had a slave whom he valued highly, and who was ill and close to death. 3 When he heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to him, asking him to come and heal his slave. 4 When they came to Jesus, they appealed to him earnestly, saying, "He is worthy of having you do this for him, 5 for he loves our people, and it is he who built our synagogue for us." 6 And Jesus went with them, but when he was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to say to him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; 7 therefore I did not presume to come to you. But only speak the word, and let my servant be healed. 8 For I also am a man set under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and the slave does it." 9 When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him, and turning to the crowd that followed him, he said, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." 10 When those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.