

Inviting *all* pastors in the Presbytery... to a luncheon and



(free)

workshop

on the communal practice of Bible study in the congregation.

Reflect on and share the experience of your church,

Develop and deepen this practice for the renewal of your congregation.

IN GOOD COMPANY: BECOMING FAITHFUL READERS AND DOERS OF SCRIPTURE Presbytery of Elizabeth, 525 East Front St. Plainfield

MARCH 16, 2012, Lunch at Noon, Workshop 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Mark your calendar NOW!

For churches seeking to participate more faithfully in God's mission and to become a people whose identity, common life, and shared ministry is shaped by the biblical witness to God's "wonderful deeds" (1 Peter 2:9).

Themes:

- God's drama of salvation – keeping the landmark events in sight
- Making sense of our lives within the Bible's story
- Communal hearing and reading – a diverse people discerning one mind together
- A community that will startle the world!

Receive:

- Help in developing your church's practice of Bible study.
- Specific helps for utilizing a 4-part study, "The People Called by God."
- Practical ideas for building broad participation in Scripture study.
- A new perspective on the formative role of Scripture study

The practice of Bible study in communion is a foundational component of a compelling witness before a watching world!

To begin the conversation, we suggest that you discuss these questions with others in your congregation in preparation for this workshop:

- Where and why do you read the Bible?
- Where and why do the people in your congregation read the Bible?
- What has been most formative in shaping the way you read the Bible?

