

**MISSION TRIP 2011**  
**Presbytery of Central Nebraska**  
**October 22- 30, 2011**

HURRICANE IKE HURRICANE RECOVERY  
Housing Rehabilitation, Texas City, Texas  
\$100 per participant

**Registration Deadline is September 15, 2011**

Registration should include the \$100 and be sent to the Presbytery Office  
4111 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Ste 28, Kearney, NE 68845

Team Leaders and Contact Persons: Rodger and Kay Payne [randkpayne@gmail.com](mailto:randkpayne@gmail.com)

Minimum age for participants is 16.

Texas City is between Houston and Galveston, off I-45, about 45 minutes from Houston Hobby airport and is 15 minutes from historic Galveston Island.

About the village:

There is sleeping for 50 in two bunk trailers. The bunk trailers are heated and air conditioned. There is a bathroom in each bunk trailer. There is a bathroom trailer with hot water showers. Bring an extra towel, shower mat.

The Church has a full kitchen and dining room facilities. The Church also has an air conditioned gymnasium and TV fellowship lounge for groups to relax, plan, and reflect. Both cable TV and wireless internet are provided

Reflections and Devotions:

An important part of the Texas City Village is experiencing the Holy Spirit at work within each team. A morning devotional and evening reflection will be held each day.

A full orientation will be held Sunday night including safety, village life, and construction project planning.

There is a full service grocery store within a five minute walk from the village.

A flashlight might be handy to use at night.

What to bring:

Participants will need to bring their own bedding and bathroom necessities, including towels and washcloths. Bring an extra towel, shower mat. Participants can bring their own tools as long as space permits. Information about helpful or necessary tools will come as more arrangements are made with the local leaders.

Please bring money to cover the cost of your meals while in transit to and from Texas City. Housing for the entire trip and meals while onsite will be covered by the \$100 registration fee.

world. Amen.

*Welcome!*

*First Presbyterian Church Kearney commits to living forward with God through passion and excellence by nurturing the gifts of our members and reaching out to each other, the community, and the world.*

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September 4, 2011      **WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY**      10:30 A.M.  
**23<sup>RD</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

All hymns numbered 2000 or higher may be found in the "Sing the Faith" hymnal.

**\*Those who are able please stand**

**Words of Preparation**

*"I don't care to belong to a club that accepts people like me as members."*

– Groucho Marx.

PRELUDE      "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"      arr. Benjamin Culli

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND A TIME FOR GREETING      Stephen Price-Gibson

Please sign the friendship pad, then pass it to your neighbor.

After the last person in the pew has signed the pad, pass it back down the row,

look at the names and greet those sitting near you.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP      2 Thessalonians 3:18; Psalm 149      Richard Elliott, Liturgist

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song;

**Sing praise to God in the congregation of the faithful.**

Let Israel rejoice in their Maker:

**Let the children of Zion be joyful in their sovereign.**

Search for the Lord and the strength of the Lord;

**continually seek the face of God.**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE      Psalm 149: "Give Praise to the Lord"      No. 257

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, you are generous to all who call on you. You love without condition or distinction, inviting everyone to know you. Yet we are biased and self-serving, stingy with our affections. We pick favorites, harbor jealousies, and lash out at those who anger us. Forgive us, O God, for our smallness of heart. Assure us of your love for us and enlarge our sympathies for others, that in word and deed we may proclaim your salvation to the**



## **DINNERS FOR EIGHT**

**If you are interested in participating in Dinners for Eight, please sign up now!**

**Dinners for Eight** is organizing for the coming year! **Dinners for Eight** is a fellowship opportunity for adults. The primary goal is to help people get to know others in the church family in a casual, relaxed setting. Couples and individuals are encouraged to participate. Participants will be randomly placed in groups of eight (or so) who will meet for dinner four times throughout the year. Peggi Jenkins is coordinating Dinners for Eight. Contact Peggi at 234-3774 if you have questions. A sign-up sheet is located on the table in the Narthex.

### **“A WING AND A PRAYER” PROJECT**

The Worship & Music Committee is now assembling the folded cranes to “fly” in our sanctuary in September; those who have taken a bag of cranes, please return them to the church as soon as possible. Our “A Wing and A Prayer” Project will be suspended in mid-September to coincide with International Peace Day. Thus we need all cranes gather together now. Please return any that you have, whether they are still in their bags, folded or not, and we will see that they are all ‘flying’ together!

## **FREE SEMINAR**

The S.A.F.E. Center is conducting a *Family & Sexual Violence in Our Community* Seminar Series. The series is scheduled for Monday and Thursday evenings beginning September 1st through October 13<sup>th</sup>, excluding September 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The last session will be for those who desire to volunteer for the agency. Each class will be held at 3710 Central Avenue from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The series will cover the dynamics of dating, domestic and sexual violence including the effects of domestic violence on children, stalking, child abuse, law enforcement response, and much more. It is an excellent opportunity to learn more about social issues affecting our communities. This seminar series is required for those individuals wishing to volunteer for The S.A.F.E. Center.

The public is encouraged to attend one or all of the sessions. Continuing Education Units are available. Interested individuals should call The S.A.F.E. Center at 237-2599 to register.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY LUNCH

Our church will be serving the lunch the Habitat for Humanity work site (Avenue B and 8<sup>th</sup> Street) on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up for bringing food. Bev Pickens or Emily State will be at a table out in the hallway after worship service on August 28<sup>th</sup> and September 4<sup>th</sup>. We will also need workers from our church on September 10<sup>th</sup>, so plan to come and work for Habitat that day. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks!

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES POTLUCK

Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m.

Family Life Center

Please bring your favorite dish to share. All women of the congregation are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES

BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES meet once a month from September to May. Please consider joining any circle that best fits into your schedule. All women of the church are welcome! The Bible Study's book, *Confessing the Beatitudes*, is available for pick up in the church office; the book's cost is \$8 each.

### Hannah Circle

3rd Monday evening  
7:00 p.m.

Bev Gustafson's home

### Tuesday Afternoon Circle

3rd Tuesday afternoon  
1:30 p.m.

Church Family Life Center

### B.A.G. Ladies Circle

3rd Wednesday afternoon  
5:30 p.m.

Church library

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Morning Bible Study meets every Monday morning at 7:00 a.m. After a light breakfast, we study and discuss the Bible passages and the study questions listed in the study guide. We try to finish by 8:00 a.m. so that those who are still working may join us as well. All men of the church are welcome to attend!!

## NURSERY HELP NEEDED

First Presbyterian Church is seeking to employ another Nursery Coordinator for Sunday mornings and possible other times during the week. Application forms are available in the church office. This is a paid position. We are also in need of volunteers to help the Nursery Coordinator in the nursery on Sunday mornings. If you would be able to help as a volunteer, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex and by the nursery door. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Tarvestad at 237-9513. Thank you so much!

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

"Largo"

Gilbert Martin

"Doxology"

Tune: "Lasst Uns Erfreuen"

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God the source of all our gifts!*

*Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts!*

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**In the name and in the spirit of Jesus, we bring our gifts to you, O God.**

**Help us to give them with a ready mind, a willing spirit, and a joyful heart.**

**Amen.**

"In the Singing"

No. 2255

All who are baptized and put their trust in Christ as Savior and Lord, whether from this church or another Christian communion, are invited and encouraged to share in the Lord's Supper.

*Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available.*

*Please request from your server.*

### Invitation to the Table

#### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...  
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

...  
Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**  
...

**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, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Bread:	Partake of the bread when you receive it in personal communion with Christ.
Cup:	Hold the cup until all have been served, showing our oneness in Christ.

Prayer after Communion

**God of grace,  
you renew us at your table with the bread of life.  
May this food strengthen us in love  
and help us to serve you in each other.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN                    “In Christ There Is No East or West”                    No. 439

\*BLESSING

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION                    “Go With Us, Lord”                    No. 535

*Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
Through this and every coming day,  
That in Your Spirit strong and true  
Our lives may be our gift to You.*

\*POSTLUDE                    “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”                    arr. Wilbur Held

We cordially invite you to join us for refreshments and fellowship every Sunday morning following the Worship Service in the Family Life Center.

Next week’s lectionary readings are Exodus 14:19-31; Psalm 114; Romans 14:1-12; and

**Liturgist:** Richard Elliott

**Acolyte:**

**Communion Servers:** Steve Case, Pat Hild, Peggi Jenkins, John McCammond, Shirley

**Greeters:** Kent and JoAnn Lilly

**Ushers:** Rodger and Kay Payne, Clayton and Orlena Moyer, and Scott and Staci Kratzer

**Coffee Host:** Suzzie Bresley and Carol Smith

**Organist:** Sandy McKirahan

**Nursery Attendant:** Alexis Elliott

The flowers this morning are given by Earl and JoAnn Rademacher in memory of our parents.

McCammond, Judy Rothenberger, Steve Rothenberger, and Tiffany Tarvestad

**August 28, 2011**  
**Church School Attendance: 48 – Youth 17, Teacher 11, Adult 20**  
**Church Attendance: 156**  
**Dimes for Mission: 190**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**WNL PLANNING MEETING**  
**Wednesday, September 7, 2011**  
**5:30 p.m. – Library**  
***Bring a Brown Bag supper!*** Wednesday Night Live (WNL) final preparation details will be discussed.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE**

**Wednesday, September 14 through Wednesday, November 16**

Framework of the WNL program for Fall 2011

<b>WNL</b>	Adults/ Kids (PreK-2 <sup>nd</sup> Grades)	Youth Groups
Time	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	(Middle/High School)
<b>Cost</b>	5:30-7:30 p.m.	7:00-8:30 p.m.
	<b>Freewill Donation</b>	<b>Freewill Donation</b>

Make plans now to participate with the Wednesday Night Live program and enjoy

Dinner

Music

Bible study

Table games

Bridge your week together and come to worship God with your church family!