

SONGS

Unstoppable God – Elevation Worship
Mighty to Save – Shane & Shane
King of Kings – Hillsong Worship

GIVING

On Sunday: use wooden boxes at
back of auditorium

Online: npberean.org/give

Text: text any amount to 84321

Mail: 202 W. 8th St.
North Platte, NE 69101

COMING UP

- ♦ **Blood Drive – Thu. 4/1, 1-7 p.m., 252 room:** Donating blood is so important, and more blood donors are especially needed right now to help the Red Cross keep up with demand. Schedule your blood donation appointment rcblood.org/appt, or text Emmalee (308-539-2727).

- ♦ **Good Friday gathering; Fri. 4/2, 7p.m., Auditorium & 252 room:** As we prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' resurrection on Easter, we're gathering on Good Friday to remember His crucifixion. (Note: The churches we've been with for past Good Fridays decided unanimously that we'd pause gathering together again this year and resume next year, Lord willing.)

Please know this year's Good Friday gathering will have a very different flavor – more reflective, considering the suffering and sorrow of Christ and how that relates to our own. We'll have an unstaffed nursery available, and the 252 Room will be an area where families with children can allow them to move around as needed.

- ♦ **Family Dedication Orientation – Sun. 4/11, 9:30 a.m. or Sun. 4/18, 11 a.m., Garage Café:** Parents, the milestone of Family Dedication is one way we partner with you in leading your little ones to know and love Jesus. Plan now to participate by registering for Orientation, the first step in this process, at npberean.org/fd.
- ♦ **2021 Summer Camp Dates – 5/20-8/14, Maranatha Bible Camp & Retreat Center:** Camp provides time away from the chaos of daily lives – unplug and reconnect or discover Christ for the first time through teaching, worship, fellowship, and fun! Register now at maranathacamp.org. Summer Staff/ TnT Training: 5/20-30, Sr. High: 6/7-12, Middle School: 6/14-17, Family 1: 6/29-7/3, Junior: 7/5-9, Primary: 7/7-9, Family 2: 7/7-10, Connect Conference: 7/18-21, Family 3: 7/21-24, Family 4: 8/4-7, Joni & Friends Retreat: 8/8-14.

BEREAN CHURCH weekly 3.21.21

WELCOME!

Here are a few key details to help you make the most of our gathering today. For an even more complete resource, access this bulletin online: npberean.org/sunday.

We'd love to connect and be a spiritual resource for you – please fill out a ConnectCard (npberean.org/cc or paper copy in seat pocket).

NEW HERE?

- ♦ **Sunday large gatherings:** In-person at 8, 9:30, & 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; digital at 9:30 a.m. at facebook.com/npberean (replay anytime).
- ♦ **Need a Bible?** Free Bibles at information center in Commons.
- ♦ **Sound levels:** Assisted listening devices and earplugs available at sound booth in back of auditorium.
- ♦ **Office hours:** Mon.-Thu. 9-4 (closed Tue. 1:30-2:30 for staff meeting).
- ♦ **Find out more:** Text npconnect to 97000, visit npberean.org, email npberean@npberean.org, or call 308-532-7448.

FOR FAMILIES

- ♦ **Mother's Room:** A private room where you can care for your baby and still see and engage the gathering – north of auditorium (follow signs).
- ♦ **Kids Connect (infant-grade 5):** Available during 9:30 and 11 a.m. gatherings. Check-in at 252 area east of Commons or First Look area upstairs from foyer. Kids also welcome in large gatherings. At-home resources: npberean.org/kids-connect-at-home.
- ♦ **Sola (grades 6-12):** Meet at Garage Café (across Vine St.) – main gatherings Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 p.m.; middle school also meets Sundays at 11 a.m. in the Upper Rooms. (No middle school today, Sun. 3/21.)

Our mission: Leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

MARK 4:26-29 (ESV)

²⁶And he said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

IS CHRISTIANITY SHRINKING?

Surprising Expectations ♦ John Stone ♦ 3.21.21

What does the _____ tell us?

Mark 4:26-29
1 Cor. 3:6
Matt. 28:19
Col. 4:2-6
Luke 10:2

What does the _____ tell us?

Mark 4:26-28
1 Cor. 3:7
Matt. 16:18
Matt. 13:33

What does the _____ tell us?

Mark 4:29
Matt. 13:36
Phil. 1:6

TALK IT OVER

Keep growing in your relationship with Jesus through the Word, prayer, and community!

- ♦ Reach out to a few people you already know – friends, coworkers, etc. – and find a time when you can connect each week. (Note: due to the pandemic, we're recommending groups of 4-7.)
- ♦ Not sure how to start the conversation? Head to npberean.org/grow for a few simple ideas you can use to get started today!

Sermon text next Sunday: Matthew 21:1-16