

New here?

Sunday large gatherings: 8, 9:15, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
(livestream info: npberean.org/live)

Bibles: available at information center

Sound levels: assisted listening devices and earplugs available at sound booth

Office hours: Mon.-Thu. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (closed)
Tue. 1:30-2:30 p.m. for staff meeting)

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For families

Mother's Room: A private place to care for your baby and still connect to the gathering via livestream – follow signs north of auditorium.

Kids Connect (infant-grade 6): Available at 9:15 and 11 a.m. – check-in east of Commons or upstairs from foyer. Kids also welcome in large gatherings.

Sola (grades 6-12): Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Meet in 252 Room/Commons.

Today's songs

- *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* – Kim Walker-Smith
- *How Many Kings* – Downhere
- *Faithful Now* – Vertical Worship
- *Living Hope* – Phil Wickham
- *Peace Has Come (O Come All Ye Faithful)* – Hillsong

Giving

Sunday: use wooden boxes by auditorium doors

Online: npberean.org/give

Text: text any amount to 84321

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

Coming up

Baptisms – Today, during 9:15 a.m. gathering

Baptism is a public witness of an internal reality – that the person has passed from death to life by trusting in Jesus alone for salvation. Today we're baptizing:

- Koby Simants, by Greyson Kautz (friend) and Jodi Simants (mom)

Lost and Found – Mon. 12/5, Foyer

Between the coatrack and restrooms, we have a few cubbies for our main lost and found. We'll be donating or discarding any unclaimed items on Monday, 12/5. Please stop by today to check for any items that belong to you.

Advent 2022

As we approach Christmas, we enter a season called Advent ("Coming"). It's a time to celebrate God coming in human flesh – Jesus, the Savior! Of course, before *coming* is *waiting*...just as God's people long ago waited for Christ's first coming, we await His return.

What can their waiting teach us about ours? This Advent, we'll look back with gratitude and look ahead with anticipation, worshipping the Lord for what He *has done* and *will do*.

Visit npberean.org/christmas for an Advent calendar and other resources to support you in waiting and worshipping well this holiday season.



BEREAN CHURCH

Leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

11.27.22

Welcome!

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

If you're new, bring your ConnectCard to the information center for a welcome gift.

Go paperless

Interactive bulletin: npberean.org/sunday

PDF bulletin: npberean.org/sundayprint

Next week's sermon: Matthew 2:1-11

Genesis 3:15 ESV

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

Isaiah 7:14 ESV

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Matthew 1:18-23 ESV

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet:

²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us).

Micah 5:2 ESV

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

Matthew 2:1 ESV

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem...

Hosea 11:1 ESV

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.

Jeremiah 31:15 ESV

Thus says the LORD: “A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping. Rachel is weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they are no more.”

Matthew 2:13-18 ESV

¹³ Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.” ¹⁴ And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt ¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

¹⁶ Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. ¹⁷ Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

¹⁸ “A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be comforted, because they are no more.”

First Advent Fulfillments

Waiting Well • John Stone

_____ of a _____ (Gen. 3:15, Matt. 1:18-20, Luke 1:42-43)

The _____ would be a _____ (Isa. 7:14, Matt. 1:22-23, Luke 1:35)

_____ with _____ (Isa 7:14, Matt. 1:21-23)

_____ in _____ (Mic. 5:2, Matt. 2:1)

_____ out of _____ (Hosea 11:1, Matt. 2:13-15)

_____ around the _____ (Jer. 31:15, Matt. 2:16-18)

Talk it over

Visit npberean.org/grow-groups to find a group, start a group, or get more resources.

- What was one thing from this week’s message that impacted/challenged me?
- *Treasuring God*: How do these fulfillments impact my view of God?
- *Being Transformed*: In what ways do I need the Lord to change how I anticipate His coming?
- *Loving Others*: How can God’s faithfulness, seen in these passages, reflect onto how I care for and serve others this Christmas season?
- *Pursuing Unity*: What are some practical ways we can encourage one another as we prepare for Christmas this year?