# Sunday Worship January 22, 2023 10:00 am in the Worship Center

Bulletins and an offering receptacle are available under the carport for those remaining in their cars for worship. The service is broadcast on FM 101.1 and Facebook Live, then later posted to the church website, www.BroadusChurch.org.

**Prelude** Ellis Dunton

Welcome & Prayer Phil Peacock

Praise Songs "Sing Wherever I Go" Jamie Cosley & "This Joy I Have" Praise Team

Parent-Child Dedication The Vogts and The Houcks

Children's Message Karen Tucker

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13 Ed & Gwendy Clingman

Solo "God's Been Good" Mary Colgin

Message The Prodigal God: Phil Peacock

The Lost Elder Brother

Hymn #320 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Abby Carter

**Benediction** 

Childcare for infants - 5 year olds is provided from 9:50-11:00 am in rooms 108-111. Worship bulletins with activities for older children are available at the back of the worship center. It's great to see children worshipping with their families!

If you don't have a Bible at home, please feel free to take one from a worship center chair pocket.

### SERMON NOTES

# The Prodigal God: The Lost Elder Brother Luke 15:25-32

Jesus told a parable about two lost sons, not just one. There is more than one kind of lostness. Though the elder brother prided himself in his goodness—as compared to his younger brother who had been openly rebellious—he actually shared some of the same bad attitudes and motivations.

- He questions the ways of his father and his authority.
- He is not above being openly disrespectful of his father.
- He loved his father's stuff more than he loved his father.
- He is willing to fracture the unity of his family.

We see signs of lostness in the heart of the elder brother:

- ⇒ He held a deep anger.
- ⇒ His obedience was joyless and mechanical.
- ⇒ He felt disdain toward his younger brother.
- ⇒ He did not understand his father's love.
- ⇒ He was judgmental and unforgiving.

If we identify these same signs within ourselves, we need to seek a change of heart through Jesus Christ. Only through him do we learn to truly love, forgive and sacrifice. Even lost elder brothers can be found!

# **BROADUS 101**

Next Sunday, January 29th 9:00 am (during Sunday School)

Are you interested in learning more about Broadus Church and what it means to be a member here? Pastor Phil will lead this informative question and answer session designed for guests and new members. It's a great way to meet others new to the church, and to top it off, snacks are provided! We will meet in Room and 208. If you would like to attend, email phil@broadusmbc.org or call 779-2700.

# Committee Orientation Meeting Next Sunday, Jan 29th 5:00 pm in Community Bldg

Our church has ten standing (regularly elected) committees that help give guidance to our ministries. All committee members for 2023 are asked to attend as we focus on God's Vision and Values for our church. This will provide our direction for the coming year. It will be the first meeting of the year for many teams.

Pray for our high school youth and leaders who are on their way home from a ski retreat.

# **Wednesday Nights**

# 5:15 Fellowship Dinner

The cost is \$4 for adults, \$3 for kids (5th grade and under), with a family maximum of \$15. Please make reservations or cancellations by noon Monday. The menu for this week is hotdogs, mac & cheese, carrots & cucumbers with dip, applesauce and cheesecake.

# 6:00 Programs

- Children 3 years through 5th grade will enjoy this time of mission projects, music & Bible study.
- Youth grades 6-12 meet in the Community Building for games, Bible study and worship.
- Adult study groups are meeting to discuss "The Prodigal God."

7:15 Choir Practice

# Grief Support Group Tomorrow at 6:30 pm Room 107

Our group meets on 2nd & 4th Mondays and is open for new participants. Contact Carl at cdmonfalcone@comcast.net or 804-334-9203 for more info.

# January MCEF Donation Pancake Mix & Syrup

# Office Hours

Our church office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:30-12:30.

# DOID Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next Sunday, Jan 29 at 3pm Broadus Worship Center

Invite your friends, and come pick some of your favorite hymns to sing together! Talk to Paul Rush if you have any questions.

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Deacon/Deaconess Breakfast This Saturday, January 28 8:00 AM in Community Bldg

## **Ladies Book Club**

On Monday, Jan 23, we will meet in the Community Building to discuss "The Glass Castle" by Jeanette Walls.

⇒ February 27 "Full of Grace" by Dorothea Benton Frank.

Contact Cathy Tignor for more info.

# Worship Attendance

Jan 1— 142 Jan 8— 184 Jan 15— 205

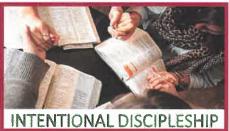
# CHURCH STAFF

Phil Peacock, Pastor
Jeff Poythress, Hebron Site Pastor
Karen Tucker, Minister of Children & Families
Tyson Banks, Minister of Youth
Jamie Cosley, Worship Minister
Abby Carter, Worship Minister
Carol Golden, Worship Minister (Hebron)
Geneva Bohannon, Office Manager
Ellis Dunton, Accompanist
Buddy Crawford, Custodian

# Broadus Church Belong. Believe. Become.

At Broadus Church, you can belong to a welcoming family of faith that helps people become all God means for them to be through a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ.











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### A PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION RESPONSIVE READING

LEADER: "Behold, children are a gift of the Lord; the fruit of the womb is

a reward." (Psalm 127:3)

PARENTS: We thank God for the gift of new life, and will forever cherish

our children.

PEOPLE: We rejoice with you and will love your children as our

own.

LEADER: "Then some children were brought to Jesus so that He might

lay His hands on them and pray." (Matthew 19:13)

PARENTS: We come today to dedicate our children and our family before

God and request prayer from our Christian friends.

PEOPLE: We support your commitment and offer our help and

prayers.

LEADER: "But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for

those of his household, he has denied the faith." (1 Tim. 5:8)

PARENTS: We promise to provide, to the best of our ability, the nurture

and care our children need.

PEOPLE: We commend your devotion and offer our assistance.

LEADER: "Do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in

the discipline and instruction of the Lord." (Ephesians 4:6)

PARENTS: We promise to teach the Word of God to our children.

PEOPLE: We covenant to maintain the teaching of God's Word in

our church so that all who come may hear divine

instruction.

LEADER: "See how great a love the Father has bestowed upon us, that

we should be called children of God. If God so loved us, we

also ought to love one another." (1 John 3:1,4:11)

PARENTS: We pledge ourselves to develop greater Christian love in our

home, so that our children will learn to love and accept love.

PEOPLE: As members and friends of this church, we devote

ourselves to maintaining the spirit of God's love in this place so that your children may know that happiness is

the presence of the Lord.

ALL: May God bless our children. Amen.