



Welcome to East Lumberton

As Senior Pastor of ELBC, I want to welcome you to our church. We are a diverse church of believers whose goal is to lift up the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome all races, ages and walks of life to come be a part of our church family. We are glad you came and we hope you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, please see one of our greeters in the vestibule to get a visitor's packet, so that we can get to know you better.

MINISTERS ON-CALL

Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170
Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

EMERGENCY PRAYER REQUEST

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312
Donna Holden (910) 534-0616

If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Donna Holden or the church office. Melissa Humphrey may be unavailable for a brief period of time.

Weekly Willing Workers

| <u>YAN DRIVERS</u> | |
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| 4/12: Matthew Stephens (910-234-5817) | 4/19: Donald White (910-258-2435) |
| <u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u> <i>Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten</i> | |
| 2 & 3 years old | |
| 4/12: Alana Taylor, Brittlyn Stubbs, Megan Freeman | 4/19: Madison & John Reaves, Margaret Ramirez |
| 4 & 5 years old | |
| 4/12: Janice & Brian Bullock, Michelle Smith | 4/19: Austin & Whitney Hester, Sophia McLamb |
| <u>NURSERY WORKERS</u> <i>newborn to 2 years old</i> | |
| 4/12: Whitney & Austin Hester, Chelsea Stone, Gail Lassiter | 4/19: Claudia Cooke, Donna Holden, Phelma Locklear, Lisa Reaves |
| <u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u> | |
| Matthew Horner (910-734-4356) & Josh Locklear (910-374-1142) | |
| <u>INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY</u> | |
| 4/12: Buddy Cribb | 4/19: Robert Mishue |
| <u>FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM</u> | |
| 4/12: Donna Holden, Cindy Horne, Melissa Humphrey | 4/19: Carrie Mae Jacobs, Gail Lassiter, Cynthia Martin |

For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.

SUNDAY MORNING

"Over My Dead Body"
Matthew 8:12

Theme: "The Only Way To Escape Hell"

- I. The Place Called Hell (v. 12a-12b)
 - A. It's A Place Of Departure (v. 12a)
 - B. It's A Place Of Darkness (v. 12b)
- II. The People In Hell (v. 12c-12d)
 - A. Those Who Are Filled With Anguish (v. 12c)
 1. Because Of Their Regret (Luke 16:24a)
 2. Because Of Their Retribution (Luke 16:24b)
 3. Because Of Their Remembrance (Luke 16:25)
 4. Because Of Their Realization (Luke 16:26)
 5. Because Of Their Relatives (Luke 16:27-28)
 - B. Those Who Are Filled With Anger (v. 12d)
 1. Because Of Their Arrogance
 2. Because Of Their Apathy
- III. The Pathway Out Of Hell (Hebrews 10:29)

SUNDAY EVENING

"The Family Of God"
Galatians 4:6-7

Theme: "What It Means To Be A Child Of God"

- I. The Birth Of A Child Of God (v. 6a)
- II. The Blessing Of A Child Of God (v. 6b-6c)
 - A. The Closeness Of Abba Father (v. 6b)
 - B. The Connotation Of Abba Father (v. 6c)
 1. He Gives Us Provisions (Matthew 7:11)
 2. He Gives Us Protection (Psalms 91:1)
 3. He Gives Us Punishment (Hebrews 12:7-8)
 4. He Gives Us Passion (Psalms 103:13)
 5. He Gives Us Pardon (Matthew 6:14)
- III. The Benefits Of A Child Of God (v. 7a-7b)
 - A. The Freedom We Have In Christ (v. 7a)
 - B. The Future We Have In Christ (v. 7b)
- IV. The Behavior Of A Child Of God (v. 7c)
 - A. We Should Look Like Our Father
 - B. We Should Live Like Our Father



Menu for April 15th

Menu: Fried chicken, mac-n-cheese, corn, dessert and drink.
\$5.00 donation per person; Free for Children under 6
Maximum donation of \$20.00 per family.
Please sign up in the hallway

Reserving Church Van/Bus

Friendly reminder! If you plan on using the church bus or van, you must complete a request form through the church office. If a form is **NOT** completed, we cannot guarantee a vehicle will be available for you. Planning has to be done in order for vehicles to be gassed up and serviced for them to be ready for trips. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Matthew Stephens or the church office.



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April 12, 2026

Church Theme for 2026:

Keep On Keeping On - Genesis 26:12-22

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

Staff Directory

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Custodian
Mr. Jeff Pait

Theme for 2026: "Keep On Keeping On"
Genesis 26:12-22

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

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| Prelude | | Pianist |
| Invocation & Welcome | | Rev. Roger Smith |
| Call to Worship | | Sanctuary Choir |
| | "Walking With Jesus" | |
| | Soloists: Nick Stone and Jennifer Davis | |
| Offertory Hymn | | |
| | "Soon and Very Soon" | |
| Congregational | | |
| | "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder" | |
| Message in Song | | Alana Taylor |
| Message in Song | | Sanctuary Choir |
| | "Made For More" | |
| Message | | Rev. Michael S. Bowen |
| | "Over My Dead Body" | |
| | Matthew 8:12 | |
| *Hymn of Commitment | | |
| | "Jesus Paid It All" | |
| Benediction | | Layman |
| Postlude | | Pianist |

Hymn of Commitment
During the Hymn of Commitment if you would like to talk with someone about salvation, join the church or become a candidate for baptism, our Pastors will be available at the front during this time.



Birthday Celebrations
April 12th - April 18th

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| 12 th Joyce Cribb | 17 th Ally Fleming |
| Kinsley Flowers | 18 th Janice Bullock |
| 15 th Ann Graham | |

Please know if your name or a family members name was omitted from the Birthday list, it was not intentional and we apologize for the oversight. Contact the church office with your correct information.



Reminder!
Don't forget the tracts in the hallway. Please feel free to pick one up and share a tract with a friend.

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

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| Prelude | | Pianist |
| Invocation & Welcome | | Rev. Roger Smith |
| Call to Worship | | Sanctuary Choir |
| | "The Old Country Church" | |
| Offertory Hymn | | |
| | "The Family of God" | |
| Congregational | | |
| | "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" | |
| Message in Song | | Larry Cooke |
| Message in Song | | Sanctuary Choir |
| | "Every Step" | |
| | Soloist: Lauren Locklear | |
| Message | | Rev. Michael S. Bowen |
| | "The Family Of God" | |
| | Galatians 4:6-7 | |
| *Hymn of Commitment | | |
| | "I Surrender All" | |

Benediction Layman
Postlude Pianist

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

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| Today | 9:45 AM | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 AM | Morning Worship Service |
| | 11:00 AM | Haitian Ministry |
| | 2:00 PM | Nursing Home Ministry (Harborview) |
| | 4:30 PM | Handbells |
| | 6:00 PM | Evening Worship Service |
| Wednesday | 5:45 PM | Family Night Supper |
| | 7:00 PM | Prayer Meeting/Church Conference |
| | 6:30 PM | Children's Choir (Grades 1-6) |
| | 7:00 PM | Children/Youth Classes |
| | 7:45 PM | Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal |

ANNOUNCEMENTS



CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)
The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, April 14th, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the CONTACT of church prospects through visits and postcards.



Free Christian Business Guide
We will be collecting information from church members who have an established business. This updated business guide will include information about your business and the services you provide. The purpose in this guide is to inform our church members of the different businesses or services they can use within our church. Last day to submit information for the Christian Business Guide is Sunday, April 26th. If you would like more information about this opportunity or would like to participate, please contact the church office.



Parent & Child Dedication Service

If you would like to participate in the Parent & Child Dedication on Sunday, May 10th, please contact the pastor or the church office by Sunday, April 26th.

Joy Bells Meeting: Trip to Calabash

The Joy Bells will be hosting a trip to Calabash on Tuesday, April 21st. The trip will include a time of fellowship, shopping and dutch treat lunch. This is for anyone who would like to participate. Please sign the sign-up in the hallway, if you would like to attend this trip, no later than Wednesday, April 15th. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson or Donna Holden.



Preschool, Children (grades 1-6) and Youth (grades 7-12): Skating Trip

The Preschool, Children (grades 1-6) and Youth (grades 7-12) will be going to Mr. P's Skating, in Lumberton, on Saturday, April 25th, from 4:30 PM until 6:30 PM. There will be no cost for this trip. Everyone will meet at the skating rink. Please sign the sign-up sheet, in the hallway, if you plan to attend. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Roger.

Tour Branson, Missouri

There is a trip planned for anyone who would like to go to the "Live Music Show Capital of the World" Branson, Missouri. This is a 9-day 8-night trip, scheduled for June 20th thru 28th. This trip will include a guided tour of Branson, shows Spirit of America Show, Doug Gabriel Morning Show, Beach Boys: California Dreamin', the Haygood show and "David" at the Sight and Sound Theatre, along with some shopping. If you are interested in going, please contact Gail Lassiter.



Sunday, April 19th
4:30 PM WMU

Monday, April 20th
7:00 PM Baptist Men

Tuesday, April 21st
7:00 PM Outreach (prayer at the altar)
Departure Time TBA-"Joy Bells" trip to Calabash

Wednesday, April 22nd
7:00 PM Youth Night

Saturday, April 25th
Preschool, Children (Grades 1-6) & Youth (Grades 7-12)
4:30 PM-6:30 PM
Mr. P's Shating



Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes

Items for April: toiletry items such as hair brushes, hair ties, toothbrushes and washcloths. **NO SOAP OR TOOTHPASTE OF ANYKIND IS ALLOWED**
There is box outside the sanctuary in the hallway for these items.