



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

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.

Weekly Willing Workers

VAN DRIVERS	
8/9: Jeff Bass (910-316-2570)	8/16: Hugh Bledsoe (910-874-1961)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	
Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten	
2 & 3 years old	
8/9: Alana Taylor, Brittlyn Stubbs, Megan Freeman	8/16: Cindy Horne,
4 & 5 years old	
8/9: Janice & Brian Bullock, Michelle Smith	8/16: Donna Holden, Kathy Buffkin
NURSERY WORKERS	
newborn to 2 years old	
8/9: Claudia Cooke, Donna Holden, Phelma Locklear, Lisa Reaves	8/16: Claudia Cooke, Jeff, Jerri-Kelly & Sofia McLamb
DEACONS OF THE WEEK	
Josh Locklear (910-374-1142) & Noah Reaves (910-618-1469)	
INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY	
8/9: Robert Mishue	8/16: Danny Johnson
FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM	
8/9: Linda Galacci, Terri Gerald, JoAnn Hayes	8/16: Donna Holden, Cindy Horne, Melissa Humphrey

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

SUNDAY MORNING

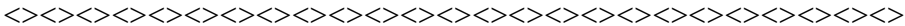
“What Do You Have To Offer?”
1 Corinthians 16:1-2
Theme: “The Blessing Of Giving”

- I. The Commandment Concerning Giving (v. 1a)
- II. The Correctness Concerning Giving (v. 1b-2e)
 - A. Who Should Give (v. 2a)
 - B. What We Give (v. 2b)
 - C. When We Give (v. 2c)
 - D. Where We Give (v. 2d)
 - E. Why We Give (v. 1b-1c)
 - 1. It Takes Care Of The Saints (v. 1b)
 - 2. It Takes Care Of The Sanctuary (v. 1c)
 - 3. It Takes Care Of The Servants (1 Timothy 5:17-18)
 - 4. It Takes Care Of The Sinners
 - 5. It Takes Care Of The Suffering (Romans 15:26)
 - F. How We Give (v. 2e)
- III. The Collection Concerning Giving (v. 2f)
- IV. The Cheerfulness Concerning Giving (2 Corinthians 9:7)

SUNDAY EVENING

“The Gospel Still Saves”
Galatians 5:11-15
Theme: “The Preaching Of The Gospel

- I. Paul’s Defense Of The Gospel (v. 11-12)
 - A. The Power It Contains (v. 11)
 - 1. The Gospel Invites Insults (v. 11a)
 - 2. The Gospel Ignites Indignation (v. 11b)
 - B. The People It Condemns (v. 12)
- II. Paul’s Definition Of The Gospel 9v. 13-15)
 - A. It’s A Gospel Of Liberty (v. 13)
 - 1. The Definition Of Liberty (v. 13a)
 - 2. The Danger Of Liberty (v. 13b)
 - 3. The Demands Of Liberty (v. 13c)
 - B. It’s A Gospel Of Love (v. 14-15)
 - 1. The Power Of Love (v. 14a)
 - 2. The Proportion Of Love (v. 14b)
 - 3. The Purpose Of Love (v. 15)





Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes

We are collecting plastic water bottles. Also, we are collecting small baby dolls which can be purchased from Dollar Tree. There is a box outside the sanctuary in the hallway for these items. Please join us as we spread the gospel!



“Praise God for the great things He has done! We have packed 1200 shoeboxes out of our 1500 shoebox goal!! Please continue to pray and support us as we only have 300 more shoeboxes to pack. **Our next shoebox offering will be Sunday, August 30th, the morning worship service!”**



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August 9, 2026

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



Staff Directory

Senior Pastor Rev. Michael S. Bowen (910) 736-6170	Associate Pastor for Families Rev. Roger D. Smith (423) 557-5515
Minister of Senior Adults Rev. Ricky Donaldson (910) 499-5218	Worship Team Director/Church Pianist Mr. Matthew Horne (910) 734-4356
Ministry Assistant Ms. Janet Taylor	Worship Leader/Choir Leader Mr. Shon Anderson
Treasurer Ms. Kenan Chance	Custodian Mr. Jeff Pait

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

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Offertory Hymn	
Congregational	
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“What Do You Have To Offer?” 1 Corinthians 16:1-2	
*Hymn of Commitment	
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
Aug 9th- Aug. 15th

9 th	Kevin Bullard	12 th	Tonya Baxley
12 th	David Baxley	13 th	Debby Bledsoe

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.



HANDICAP PARKING

Please DO NOT park in Handicap parking unless you or a passenger is handicap. We have members and guests who are truly handicapped and are in need of those spaces. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

SMOKE FREE CAMPUS

**Reminder, this is a Smoke Free Campus.
Thanks!**



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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Offertory Hymn	
Congregational	
Message in Song	
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*Hymn of Commitment

Benediction Layman

Postlude Pianist

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Haitian Ministry
	2:00 PM	Nursing Home Ministry (Harborview)
	NO Handbells for the summer	
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
	NO Family Night Supper for the summer	
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	NO Children’s Choir (Grades 1-6) for the summer	
	7:00 PM	Children/Youth Classes
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, August 10th, at 7:00 PM. If you have questions, please contact Randy Graham.

CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, August 11th, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the CONTACT of church prospects through visits and postcards.



Church-wide Trip to Israel

There will be a church-wide trip to Israel and possibly Egypt. The dates will be March 2-11, 2027. People outside of the church are invited to attend this trip as well. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Bowen.

Food Pantry

With school being out for the summer, we are in need of cookies. Food pantry families are asking for cookies for their children. Please drop cookies off at church office. If you have questions, please contact Joyce Cribb.



Wednesday Cook Teams



There will be a meeting on Wednesday, August 19th, for all Cook Teams, at 6:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone interested in being a captain or joining a team, please attend this important meeting. The more the merrier, as we work together to prepare, and serve meals. Wednesday night suppers will resume September 2nd. We are looking forward to a great year ahead! If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Kenan Chance. Thank you!

Choir Concert

The Sanctuary will be hosting a Choir Concert on Sunday, August 30th, during the evening worship service. Please come out and support the sanctuary choir and hear some of their favorite songs. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Matt Horne.



Joy Bells Trip



Joy Bells will be going to Fort Mills, SC for dinner and a show “The Gospel According to Tennessee” on Saturday, August 15th has been changed to Saturday, August 22nd. This is for those individuals who have already paid for tickets. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Donna Holden or Rev. Ricky Donaldson.



**SAVE THE DATE:
FINAL JUDGMENT
November 6th-8th
November 13th-15th
Additional information forthcoming.**



Final Judgement
Upcoming Meetings

Sunday, August 16th * 4:00 PM – Cast & Crew Meeting, Sanctuary (Giving out of parts)

Sunday, August 23rd * 4:00 PM – Scene Captains Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, August 30th * 4:00 PM – Construction & Decorating Team, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 6th* 4:00 PM – Tour Guides & Door Knockers Meeting, Fellowship Hall



A special thank you to all VBS workers, teachers, volunteers and parents. This year’s VBS has the largest enrollment of recent years. It was a great week with many souls saved. God is good!