



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.

MINISTER ON-CALL

Monday-Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515
 Wednesday-Dr. Tom Martin (910) 876-3462
 Tuesday & Thursday-Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170
 Friday & Saturday-Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170

EMERGENCY PRAYER REQUEST

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312
 If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Melissa Humphrey.

Weekly Willing Workers

<u>VAN DRIVERS</u>	
3/12: Donald White (258-2435)	3/19: Dale Davis (734-1255)
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>	
Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten	
2 & 3 years old	
3/12: Tonya Baxley, Lauren Locklear	3/19: Austin & Whitney Hester
4 & 5 years old	
3/12: Brooke Willoughby, Sharon Locklear	3/19: Heather Owens & Karen Schwanger
<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>	
3/12: Jeff & Jerri-Kelly McLamb	3/19: Claudia Cooke, Kristy Gerald, Robyn Morgan
<u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u>	
Mitch Lassiter (827-5249) & Danny Leggett (740-9565)	
<u>INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY</u>	
3/12: Heather Owens	3/19: Howard Reaves, Jr.
<u>FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM</u>	
3/12: Debby Bledsoe	3/19: Heather Owens, Margaret Ramirez, Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

"Read The Fine Print"

Luke 14:25-33

Theme: "The Cost Of Being A Disciple"

- I. The Crowd That Needs To Be Committed (v. 25)
 - A. The Majority Was Impressed With Him
 - B. The Minority Was Interested In Him
- II. The Criteria That Needs To Be Considered (v. 26-27)
 - A. The Crowd We Must Forsake (v. 26a)
 - B. The Carnality We Must Flee (v. 26b)
 - C. The Cross We Must Fetch (v. 27a)
 1. The Cross Depicts Suffering
 2. The Cross Depicts Shame
 3. The Cross Depicts Solitude
 4. The Cross Depicts Surrender
 - D. The Christ We Must Follow (v. 27b)
- III. The Cost That Needs To Be Counted (v. 28-32)
 - A. The Illustration Of A Building (v. 28-30)
 1. The Expenses That Should Be Added (v. 28)
 2. The Embarrassment That Should Be Avoided (v. 29-30)
 - B. The Illustration Of A Battle (v. 31-32)
 1. The War That Should Be Anticipated (v. 31)
 2. The Win That Should Be Accomplished (v. 32)
- IV. The Calling That Need To Be Comprehended (v. 33)
 - A. It Is A Massive Challenge (v. 33a)
 - B. It Is A Mandatory Challenge (v. 33b)

SUNDAY EVENING

"Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gift, Part 3"

Ephesians 4:13-16

Theme: "Understanding Spiritual Gifts"

- I. *The Awareness Of Spiritual Gifts* (v. 7)
- II. *The Assurance Of Spiritual Gifts* (v. 8-10)
- III. *The Assignment Of Spiritual Gifts* (v. 11-12)
 - A. *The Gifts For The Christian*
 - B. *The Gifts For The Church* (v. 11-12)
 1. *The Presentation Of The Gifts For The Church* (v. 11)
 2. *The Purpose Of The Gifts For The Church* (v. 12)
 3. The Plan For The Gifts Of The Church (v. 13)
 - a. For Correct Doctrine (v. 13a-13b)
 - i. To Establish What You Believe In (v. 13a)
 - ii. To Establish Who You Believe In (v. 13b)
 - b. For Christ-Like Development (v. 13c)
 4. The Profit Of The Gifts For The Church (v. 14-16)
 - a. We Are No Longer Babes In Christ (v. 14)
 - i. Babes Are Not Stable In Their Faith (v. 14a)
 - ii. Babes Are Not Strong In Their Faith (v. 14b-14e)
 - (1) Notice Their Doctrine (v. 14b)
 - (2) Notice Their Deceivers (v. 14c-14e)
 - (a) False Teachers Are Prepared (v. 14c)
 - (b) False Teachers Are Persuasive (v. 14b)
 - (c) False Teachers Are Predatory (v. 14c)
 - b. We Are Now Built Up In Christ (v. 15-16)
 - i. The Growth Of The Christian (v. 15a-15b)
 - (1) Notice Their Message (v. 15a)
 - (2) Notice Their Maturity (v. 15b)
 - ii. The Governing Of Christ (v. 15c-16c)
 - (1) He Supplies Our Gifts (v. 15c-16a)
 - (2) He Strengthens Our Gifts (v. 16b)
 - iii. The Growth Of The Church (v. 16c)



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March 12, 2023

Church Theme for 2023:

The Blessing of Kids in Church ~ Matthew 19:13-15

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

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 Dr. Tom Martin (910) 876-3462	Worship Team Leader Mr. Matthew Horne (910) 734-4356
Ministry Assistant Ms. Janet Taylor	Worship Team Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson
Treasurer Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth	Custodian Mr. Jeff Pait

8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Pianist
 Call to Worship "Footsteps of Jesus"
 Invocation & Welcome Deacon of the Week
 Offertory Hymn "Sunshine in My Soul"
 Message in Song Thomas Walters
 Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen
 *Hymn of Commitment "All to Thee"
 Benediction Layman
 Postlude Pianist

11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Pianist
 Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir
 "Calling"
 Invocation & Welcome Rev. Roger Smith
 Offertory Hymn "Footsteps of Jesus"
 Congregational Song "Sunshine in My Soul"
 Message in Song Nick Stone
 Message in Song Sanctuary Choir
 "Living Hope"
 Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen
 "Read The Fine Print"
 Luke 14:25-33
 *Hymn of Commitment "All to Thee"
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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.



The flowers on the communion table are given in loving memory of Doris Faulk. Given by: Burnie, Karen, Betty, Jerry, Ronnie, Mary and Mark, her children

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Pianist
 Message In Song Sanctuary Choir
 "I'll Put On A Crown"
 Soloist: Jay Willoughby
 Invocation & Welcome Rev. Tom Martin
 Offertory Hymn "How Great Thou Art"
 Congregational Song "Where Could I Go?"
 Message in Song Noah Reaves
 Message in Song Sanctuary Choir
 "Evidence"
 Soloist: Shon Anderson
 Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen
 "Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gift, Part 3"
 Ephesians 4:13-16
 *Hymn of Commitment "I Surrender All"

Benediction Layman
 Postlude Pianist

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

Today 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Blended Worship Service
 4:30 PM Handbell Choir
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service
Wednesday 5:45 PM Family Night Supper
 6:30 PM Children and Youth Choir (Grades 1-12)
 7:00 PM Prayer Meeting/Church Conference
 7:00 PM Nursery thru Grade 12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Council Meeting
 There will be a Church Council Meeting **TODAY**, at 5:00 PM, in the Choir Room. All Department Heads and Committee Chairpersons please be sure you or a representative are at this meeting. Please bring your calendar as we plan for the next quarter.

Baby Shower: Brooke Leggett Willoughby
 Everyone is cordially invited to participate in a Drop-Off Baby Shower for Dustin, Brooke and Weston Willoughby. We are asking you to drop off your gift or gift card at the table in the preschool area no later than **TODAY**. They are registered at Amazon.

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

The Final Judgment: Practice Schedule

The following scenes will practice for Final Judgment (Judgment House):



- **TODAY**, Scene 1 (Family Home), at 5:00 PM, in the Children's Dept. Front Room
- **TODAY**, Scene 9 (Hell), at 4:30 PM
- **TODAY**, Scene 10 (Heaven), at 4:30 PM
- Scene 7 (Revival), will meet on Wednesday, March 22nd, immediately following the evening worship service, in the Basement

Grief Share Support Group

GRIEF SHARE! We will start another session on Monday, March 20th, at 5:30 PM. Grief Share is a wonderful ministry of coping with loss through prayer, scripture, videos and group interaction. Please share this opportunity with others that have experienced a loss so they can join us. Tom and Kay Martin



Assistance Needed Parents and Adults

There should be **no students** outside of the classroom during class time. If you see students outside of the class, please ask them to return to class. If they do not, please contact a staff member or a deacon. There are restrooms upstairs in both the youth and children's department.

Graduates

If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by Sunday, March 26th. We would like to acknowledge you on Graduation Sunday.

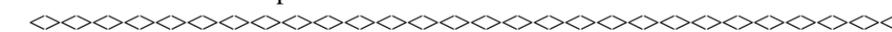


Easter Egg Hunt: Volunteers and Parents

There will be a brief meeting of anyone interested in assisting with the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 2nd, at 5:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

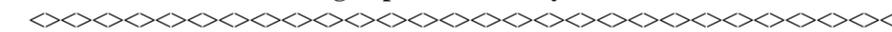
Reminder!

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



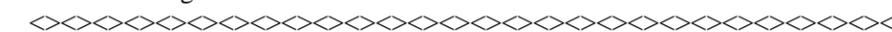
Menu for March 15th

Grilled BBQ chicken, sides, dessert and drink.
 \$4.00 per person; Free for Children under 6
 Maximum of \$20.00 per family
Please sign up in the hallway



Birthday Celebrations
 March 12th-March 18th

12 th Wanda McLean	18 th Jerry Smith
Doris Britt	Brenda Taylor
14 th Chad Nealy	Jean Jacobs
17 th Margaret Nance	



Intercessory Prayer Team

The Intercessory Prayer Team members pray for the Pastor and congregation during the morning worship service. If you would like to join the prayer team, please contact Molly Horne.

