



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

YAN DRIVERS

5/3: Hugh Bledsoe
(910-874-1961)

5/10: Matthew Stephens
(910-234-5817)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten

2 & 3 years old

5/3: Haley Smith, Jeff Bass,
Chelsea Stone

5/10: Debby Bledsoe,
Melissa Evers, Lisa Blanton

4 & 5 years old

5/3: Sharon Locklear, Cynthia
Woodell, Cassie Martin-West

5/10: Roger Smith, Angel
Thomas, Susan Tyner

NURSERY WORKERS

newborn to 2 years old

5/3: Claudia Cooke, Kristy Gerald,
Cindy Horne, Robyn Morgan

5/10: Claudia Cooke, Cindy & Rex
Caulder, Margaret Ramirez,
Leighann Martin

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Jay Britt (910-977-7169) & Bobby Cox (910-734-4539)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

5/3: Nancy Dudney

5/10: Molly Horne

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

5/3: Lisa Smith, Suzette Taylor,
Susan Tyner

5/10: Doris Britt, Kathy Buffkin,
Kenan Chance

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

SUNDAY MORNING

"Portrait of a Forgiving Heart"
2 Samuel 19:16-23

- I. The Attack David Suffers
- II. The Admission David Secures
- III. The Amnesty David Supplies

SUNDAY EVENING

Testimonies

Benny Gerald
Ricky Tyner

Menu for May 6th

Menu: Pork chops, potatoes, string beans, 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



Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes

We are collecting plastic water bottles. There is a box outside the sanctuary in the hallway for these items. Also, a special offering will be taken on Sunday, May 31st, during the morning worship service, for the Samaritan Purse Shoebox ministry. Please join us as we spread the gospel!



Monday, May 4th

Deacons Meeting – 7:00 PM

Friday, May 8th

Denim and Pearls – 6:30 PM

Saturday, May 9th

Collin Hewitt

Eagle Scout Court of Honor – 12:00 PM (Noon)

Children's and Youth Crafts

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Tuesday, May 12th

Joy Bells Cook-out at Princess Ann State Park

Bus leaving church at 10:30 AM

Ladies bring desserts

Outreach (postcards prospects)

7:00 PM

Saturday, May 16th

VolleyBall Showdown – 10:00 AM

Sunday, May 17th

WMU – 4:00 PM

Monday, May 18th

Baptist Men – 7:00 PM



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May 3, 2026

Church Theme for 2026:

Keep On Keeping On - Genesis 26:12-22



Staff Directory

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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

Senior Adult Sunday

Thomas Walters, Song Leader

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Jeff Bass
Call to Worship	Senior Adult Choir
	"When We All Get to Heaven"
Offertory Hymn	
	"Everyday with Jesus"
Congregational	
	"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"
Message in Song	Jennifer Davis
Message in Song	Senior Adult Choir
	"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"
Message	Rev. Ricky Donaldson
	"Portrait of a Forgiving Heart" 2 Samuel 19:16-23
*Hymn of Commitment	
	"Grace Greater than Our Sin"
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 May 3rd - May 9th

3 rd Abby Britt	4 th Megan Freeman
Jocelyn Bryant	7 th Ashton Hardee

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.

VBS Adult Crafts

We will be collecting paper towel rolls, toilet paper rolls and any type of wide craft ribbon for VBS adult crafts. There is a container for these items in the hallway. If you have any questions, please contact Sabrina Sanderson-Floyd.

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Jeff Bass
Call to Worship	Senior Adult Choir
	"I'll Fly Away"
Offertory Hymn	
	"Standing on the Promises"
Congregational	
	"Trusting Jesus"
Message in Song	Joyce Cribb
Message in Song	Senior Adult Choir
	"Mansion on the Hilltop"
Testimonies	
	Benny Gerald & Ricky Tyner
*Hymn of Commitment	
	"Just As I Am"
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)
	4:30 PM	Handbells
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Wednesday	5:45 PM	Family Night Supper
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	6:30 PM	Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
	7:00 PM	Children/Youth Classes
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting will be held on Monday, May 4th, at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Randy Graham.

Denim and Pearls

Denim and Pearls will hold a special meeting on Friday, May 8st, at 6:30 PM, Circle of Sisters Class, in the basement. This will be extra special as we honor and remember our mothers. We will be making corsages for Mother's Day! Bring you Mothers, daughters and sons and let's celebrate what our moms mean to us. A meal will be provided! If you have questions, please contact Lisa Blanton or Michelle Lewis.



Eagle Scout Court of Honor: Colin Hewitt

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the Eagle Scout Court ceremony for Colin Hewitt on Saturday, May 9th, 12:00 PM (noon), in the Fellowship Hall. Reception to follow ceremony. Congratulations to Colin on earning the highest rank in scouting!



Senior Adult Cook-out



The annual senior adult Hamburger and Hot Dog Cook-out, will be held on Tuesday, May 12th, at Lumber River State Park. The van will depart from the church at 10:30 AM. Please sign the sheet in the hallway by Wednesday, May 6th. We need to know how much food to prepare. Please bring your favorite dessert to share. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson or Donna Holden.

VolleyBall Showdown

There will be a VolleyBall Showdown on Saturday, May 16th, at 10:00 AM. This is for kids and adults or you can come and support the teams playing. Please sign-up on the sheet, in the youth dept. or beside the stairs at the youth department, so you can be placed on a team. **FREE** food and drinks will be provided. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Bowen or 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.

Bus/Van Drivers Needed

We are in need of Bus/Van Drivers to assist with the pick-up and return of our riders. This is done on a rotation bases and you are required to drive Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday evening on your designated week. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Matthew Stephens or the church office.



CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach meetings for May will be held on Tuesday, May 12th, May 19th and May 26th, at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Pastor Mike or Pastor Roger.



Reminder!

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

