



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	
10/11: Donald White (910-258-2435)	10/18: Jeff Bass (910-316-2570)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	
Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten	
2 & 3 years old	
10/11: Chelsea Stone, Melissa Evers, Jeff Bass	10/18: Roger Smith, Susan Tyner, Margaret Ramirez
4 & 5 years old	
10/11: Alana Taylor, Brittlyn Stubbs, Megan Freeman	10/18: Brian & Janice Bullock, Michelle Smith
NURSERY WORKERS	
newborn to 2 years old	
10/11: Claudia Cooke, Jeff, Jerri-Kelly, Sofia McLamb	10/18: Claudia Cooke, Kristy Gerald, Cindy Horne, Robyn Morgan
DEACONS OF THE WEEK	
Perry Dudley (910-258-4952) & Benny Gerald (910-740-5939)	
INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY	
10/11: Danny Johnson	10/18: Nancy Dudley
FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM	
10/11: Julia Martin, Margaret Rameriz, Joyce Simmons	10/18: Lisa Smith, Suzette Taylor, Susan Tyner

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

SUNDAY MORNING

Brody Broadway, Speaker

"Closing Chapters"
Philippians 3:13-14

- I. What Can Chapters Be? (v. 13-14)
 - A. Change Yourself (2 Corinthians 5:17)
 - B. Change Your Friends (Proverbs 13:20, 1 Corinthians 15:33)
 - C. Change Your Relationships (2 Corinthians 6:14)
 - D. God can take what you want for your life and shift it into something for Him and you (Matthew 6:33)
- II. Why Are Chapters Closed? (v.13-14)
 - A. There's an Earthly Reason (Romans 12:2, Genesis 7:16, 2 Samuel 12: 20-24)
 - B. There's an Heavenly Reason (Proverbs 3:5-6)

SUNDAY EVENING

Daniel Lee, Speaker

"Where the Timbers Cross"
Galatians 6:14

- I. Where the Timbers Cross, We See the Love of God
- II. Where the Timbers Cross, We See the Weight of Sin
- III. Where the Timbers Cross, Mercy and Justice Meet
- IV. Where the Timbers Cross, Forgiveness is Offered
- V. Where the Timbers Cross, Old Life Must Die
- VI. Where the Timbers Cross, Hope Begins



Final Judgement Practice Schedule

TODAY – 4:30 PM – Scene 2, The Home
Upstairs in the Children's Dept., (Marsha Jo Mckenna)

TODAY – 4:30 PM – Scene 3, Grocery Store
Upstairs in Children's Dept. (Jerry Russ)

TODAY – 5:00 PM – Scene 6, Hospital
Truth Seekers Class in Basement
(Sabrinia Sanderson-Floyd)

TODAY – 4:30 PM – Scene 8, Downstairs Basement
(Duane Stubbs)

TODAY – 4:00 PM – Scene 9, Heaven,
In the sanctuary (Johnny Hursey)

SAVE THE DATE: FINAL JUDGMENT
November 6th-8th and November 13th-15th

On-line registration is open or call the church office e.



Encouragement Card

If you would like to send a word of encouragement or a simple hello from home to Ethan Hunt, while he is serving in the U. S. Navy. This is Gary and Debbie Allen's grandson. His address is listed below:

Ethan Hunt, STGSA
33050 Nixie Way
Box 1
San Diego, CA 92147



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October 11, 2026

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

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

Staff Directory

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Mr. Shon Anderson

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Ms. Kenan Chance

Custodian
Mr. Jeff Pait

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Genesis 26:12-22

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
Offertory Hymn	
Congregational	
Message in Song	
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
Message	Brody Broadway
“Closing Chapters” Philippians 3:13-14	
*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
Oct. 11th- Oct. 17th

12 th	Matthew Smith	Dawn Brown
13 th	Mona Reaves	Billy Evers
	Randy Graham	16 th Iris Bruce
	Emily Cox	17 th Leighann Martin
14 th	Mike Sluder	

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.

The arrangement in the church today is in memory of
Dr. Jamie Lee Sutton on his birthday.
From his: Mom, Kathy S. Allen,
Step Father, Bill Allen and Brother, Daniel Britt



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 sancutary in the hallway for these items. Please join us as we spread the gospel!



6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
Offertory Hymn	
Congregational	
Message in Song	
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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)
Wednesday	NO Handbells (Oct. 11 th , 18 th or 25 th)	
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
	5:45 PM	Family Night Supper
	6:30 PM	Children’s Choir (Grades 1-6)
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Children/Youth Classes
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nominating Committee Survey



The nominating committee has provided surveys to determine where you would like to be considered to serve in the new church year. Forms are located at all the entrances and in the Sunday School classes. Also, if you currently hold a non-rotational position and would like to continue in that position, you need to fill out a form. Please check all areas of interest and turn into the church office or place in the offering plate no later than **TODAY**.

CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)



The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 13th, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the **CONTACT** of church prospects through visits and postcards.

Food Pantry



The monthly food pantry will be open on Thursday, Oct. 15th, 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM. If you are in need of food or if know someone who is in need, please stop by the Food Pantry. You must have a valid id. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Joyce Cribb, Dale Johnson or Patsy White.



Pastors’ Appreciation Luncheon

Pastors’ Appreciation will be held on Sunday, October 18th, immediately following the 11:00 AM morning worship service. Please bring a covered lunch to share. Also, there will be a basket designated for gifts and cards for our Pastors and their families. Thanks, Deacons and Events Committee



Tables and Chairs-Multi-Purpose Building

We are in the process of securing tables and chairs for the Multi-Purpose Building. A 60-inch round table with 6 matching chairs, will cost \$300.00, this includes taxes. These are the same tables that are currently in the Fellowship Hall. Our goal is to purchase at least 50 sets at this time. If you would like to purchase a set or make a donation to this project, please make checks payable to East Lumberton Baptist Church and in the memo field note tables and chairs. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact the church office, a deacon or a member of the building committee. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Singles Movie Night



We will be hosting a Singles Movie Night on Friday, Oct. 16th, at 6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. There is no cost for the movie. Also, popcorn and drinks will be provided. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway. If you have any question and/or concerns, please contact Sabrina Sanderson-Floyd.

Van Drivers Needed



We are seeking additional van drivers to drive, to pick-up individuals on Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday nights. This will be on a rotating schedule. If you would like to participate in the ministry, please contact Matthew Stephens or the church office.



Menu for Oct. 14th

Menu: Homemade vegetable soup, assorted sandwiches, dessert and drink.
\$5.00 donation per person; Free for Children under 6
Maximum donation of \$20.00 per family.

Due to the increase in the price of food, we do NOT want to waste food. Therefore, **you MUST sign-up each week**. We will no longer count people on cook-teams or those who usually are in attendance. It is extremely important that you sign-up. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Tuesday, October 13th, 20th and 27th

Outreach * 7:00 PM

Thursday, October 15th

Food Pantry * 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Friday, October 16th

Singles Movie Night * 6:30 PM * Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 18th

Pastor Appreciation * Fellowship Hall *
covered dish lunch immediately following morning worship service
WMU * 4:30 PM * Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 19th

Baptist Men * 7:00 PM * Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 21st

Prayer Meeting/Church Conference

Reminder!



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