



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
Tuesday, Wednesday & 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

VAN DRIVERS

4/14: Matthew Stephens (234-5817) 4/21: Donald White (258-2435)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

2 & 3 years old

4/14: Alana Taylor, Kayla Lee 4/21: Gail Lassiter,
Katelyn Lassiter, Elisha Parker

4 & 5 years old

4/14: Heather Williamson, 4/21: Rebecca Lamb,
Karen Schwanger Haley Smith

NURSERY WORKERS

newborn to 2 years old

4/14: Shannon Blackwell, 4/21: Claudia Cooke,
Cindy Caulder, Claudia Cooke Vickie Hendren, Becky Willoughby

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

John Locklear (738-2663) & Robert Mishue (827-9096)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

4/14: Danny Johnson 4/21: Nancy Dudney

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

4/14: Cindy Horne, 4/21: Allison & Maranda Collins,
Melissa Humphrey, Debby Bledsoe Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

"I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

Joshua 24:15

Theme: "Being Sold Out To The Lord"

- I. The Challenge Joshua Mentioned (v. 15a-15c)
 - A. The Decision We All Have To Make (v. 15a)
 - 1. Does God Deserve Our Allegiance
 - 2. Does God Demand Our Allegiance
 - B. The Deities We All Have To Forsake (v. 15b-15c)
 - 1. Forsake Our Past Gods (v. 15b)
 - 2. Forsake Our Present Gods (v. 15c)
- II. The Choice Joshua Made (v. 15d-15f)
 - A. I Can't Speak For The Others (v. 15d)
 - B. I Can Speak For My Own (v. 15e-15f)
 - 1. My Heart Is Going To Serve The Lord (v. 15e)
 - 2. My House Is Going To Serve The Lord (v. 15f)

SUNDAY EVENING

"The Invisible War, Part 2"

Ephesians 6:14-17

Theme: "Spiritual Warfare"

- I. The Power Behind The Armor Of God (v. 10-13)
- II. The Pieces Behind The Armor Of God (v. 14-17)
 - A. The Belt Of Truth (v. 14a)
 - B. The Breastplate Of Righteousness (v. 14b)
 - C. The Shoes Of The Gospel (v. 15)
 - D. The Shield Of Faith (v. 16)
 - E. The Helmet Of Salvation (v. 17a)
 - F. The Sword Of The Spirit (v. 17b)

The Final Judgment: Practice Schedule

The following scenes will practice for Final Judgment:

- TODAY, Scene 1 (The Hospital), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY, Scene 2 (The Home), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY, Scene 3 (The Foster Home), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY, Scene 4 (The Bus Stop), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY, Scene 5 (The Ice Cream Shop), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY, Scene 8 (Hell), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY, Scene 9 (Heaven), at 4:30 PM

All children who will be participating in the Heaven scene, MUST come to practice.

- Tuesday, April 16th, Dress Rehearsal, at 6:30 PM
- Thursday, April 18th, Dress Rehearsal, at 6:30 PM

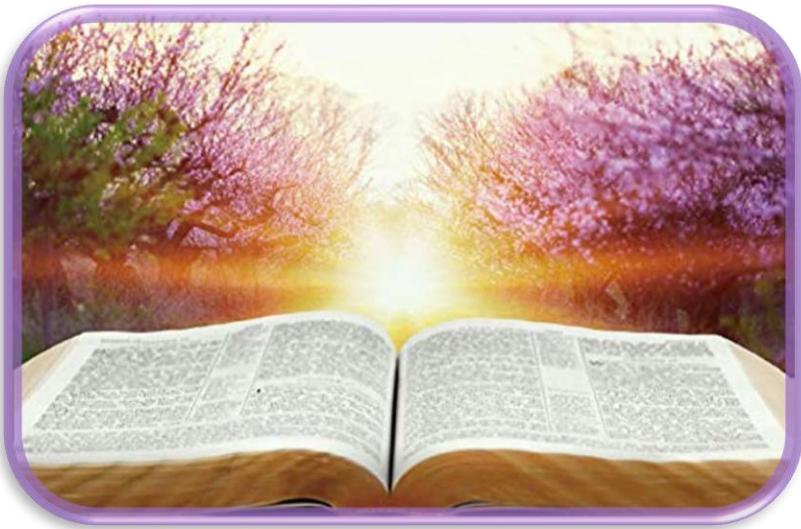
Food will be provided nightly for the cast and crew only during Final Judgment.

There will be NO food during dress rehearsal.

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

We will continue to collect money for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering during the month of April. The church goal this year is \$5,000.00. Annie Armstrong envelopes are conveniently placed around the church. Please pray for our missionaries.

"And he said unto them, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15



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April 14, 2024

Church Theme for 2024:

The Call to Worship ~ John 4:23-24

EAST
LUMBERTON
Baptist Church

Staff Directory

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Ms. Janet Taylor

Worship Team

Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer

Ms. Carolyn Hedgpath

Custodian

Mr. Jeff Pait

Theme for 2024: The Call to Worship
John 4:23-24

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	Congregation
"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"	
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Congregational	
"Love Lifted Me"	
Message in Song	Tre' Smith
Offertory Hymn	
"I Stand Amazed in the Presence"	
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
"The God I Serve" Soloist: Samantha White	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"I Have Decided To Follow Jesus" Joshua 24:15	
*Hymn of Commitment	
"I Surrender 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.

Menu for April 17th
NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER
DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL



Birthday Celebrations
April 14th - April 20th

14 th	Kaitlyn Bozeman	Skylar Britt
15 th	Ann Graham	20 th Melanie Dahl
	Tim Melvin	Josie Williams
18 th	Janice Bullock	

Food Pantry for April

During the month of April, the food pantry is requesting 2-pound bags of flour or corn meal. There will be a box in the hallway for these items. If you have any questions and/or concerns, contact Joyce Cribb.



6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	Congregation
"I Am Thine, O Lord"	
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Congregational	
"How Great Thou Art"	
Message in Song	Jennifer Davis
Offertory Hymn	
"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"	
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
"Days of Elijah"	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"The Invisible War, Part 2" Ephesians 6:14-17	
Hymn of Commitment	
"Wherever He Leads I'll Go"	
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
		NO Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Wednesday		NO Family Night Supper
		NO Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Nursery thru Grade 12
	7:45 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Handbell Choir

The Handbell Choir will not meet **TODAY**. If you have questions, please contact Bob Hobby.



WMU Meeting

WMU WMU meeting will be held **TODAY**, at 4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Gwen Mishue.

Senior Adult Trip: Washington, D.C.

The Senior Adults will be going on a trip to Washington, D.C., July 22-26, 2024. There will be a brief informational meeting, **TODAY**, immediately following the evening worship service, in the Fellowship Hall. Information will be distributed at that time.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.



Baptist Men

The monthly meeting of the Baptist Men will be held on Monday, April 15th, at 7:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. A meal will be provided. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact John Reaves.

Children Choir (Grades 1-6)

The Children Choir (Grades 1-6) will not meet on Wednesday night. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

Instant Church Directory

We have created an online church directory for our members. You can download "Instant Church Directory" from your app store on your phone. Please take the time to update your information and add a photo. If you have questions, please contact Matt Horne.

Graduates

If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by Sunday, April 14th. We would like to acknowledge you on Graduation Sunday.

Student Arise 2024 Conference (Grades 7-12) -Pigeon Forge, TN

The Student Arise 2024 Conference is for students (Grades 7-12) during the week of July 15th thru July 18th. The cost of this trip is approximately \$400.00 per person, based on 4 per room. Also, a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit **MUST** be paid by Sunday, April 28th to confirm your hotel reservations. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

ELBC Window Decals

Many of you have ask for ELBC car decals so you can advertise our church. We have approximately 100 of these decals available on a first come first serve bases. The decals are available in the vestibule.

Youth Sunday

The Youth will be conducting the morning worship service on Sunday, April 21st, at 11:00 AM. All Youth are encouraged to attend. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



In the past 9 years thousands of people have come through "The Final Judgment" resulting in over 3500 salvations. We invite you to join us again this year for our presentation of the "The Final Judgment" entitled "The Boy Born Dead".

This year's story will address the issues of bullying, child molestation and special needs kids. The drama will be based on the true story of David Ring, who for 18 minutes, was dead at birth. As a result of this death, he has cerebral palsy which greatly affects his speech and his walking. Despite all odds, God saved him and called him to preach. He is now a nationally known speaker with a message of how God can work through anyone in spite of their circumstances.

On Sunday, April 28th, David Ring will be sharing his life changing testimony during the 11:00 AM service. The Final Judgment is a walk-through drama where you visit various scenes in a family's life ending at Judgment Day, Hell and then Heaven. This event is **FREE!** So, make plans to attend!

We do ask, if possible, if you could bring one canned good when you come to our Final Judgment presentation as a gift to our food pantry. It feeds many hungry people in the Robeson County area. If you cannot bring a canned good, come anyway. Reservations is open. You can pre-register on-line at www.eastlumbertonbaptist.com or call (910) 739-3358 to make reservations.