



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

VAN DRIVERS

4/2: Howard Reaves, Jr. (316-2819) 4/9: Robert Mishue (827-9096)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

2 & 3 years old

4/2: Alana Taylor, Christy Locklear 4/9: Cassie Martin-West, Kimberly Baker

4 & 5 years old

4/2: Kayla Lee, Margaret Ramirez 4/9: Debby Bledsoe, Angie Hardee

NURSERY WORKERS

4/2: Austin & Whitney Hester, Brooke Willoughby 4/9: Terri Gerald, Lisa Hendren, Gail Lassiter

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

David Baxley (734-0613) & Bobby Cox (734-4539)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

4/2: Buddy Cribb, Robert Mishue 4/9: Danny Johnson, Danny Leggett

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

4/2: Allison & Maranda Collins, Cindy Horne, Cathy Lamb 4/9: Terri Gerald, Melissa Humphrey, Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

"A Tale Of Two Trees"
Genesis 2:9

Theme: "Understanding The Two Trees In The Garden Of Eden"

- I. The Tree Of Good & Bad Knowledge (v. Gen 2:9a)
 - A. It Was A Tree That Was Forbidden (Gen 3:2-3a)
 - B. It Was A Tree That Was Favorable (Gen 3:4-5)
 - C. It Was A Tree That Was Fascinating (Gen 3:6)
 - D. It Was A Tree That Was Fatal (Gen 3:3b)
- II. The Tree Of Life (Gen 2:9b)
 - A. It Was A Tree That Was Forever (Gen 3:22)
 - B. It Was A Tree That Was Forbidden (Gen 3:23-24)
 - C. It Was A Tree That Was Fruitful (Rev 22:2)
 - D. It Was A Tree That Was Figurative

SUNDAY EVENING

"Out With The Old And In With The New, Part 1"
Ephesians 4:17-19

Theme: "The Change In A Christian's Life"

- I. The Condition Of The Sinner (v. 17-19)
 - A. Notice Their Depravity (v. 17)
 - B. Notice Their Darkness (v. 18a)
 - C. Notice Their Distance (v. 18b)
 - D. Notice Their Disability (v. 18c)
 - E. Notice Their Disobedience (v. 19)
 1. We See It in Their Apathy (v. 19a)
 2. We See It In Their Actions (v. 19b)
 3. We See It In Their Activity (v. 19c)

Menu for March 29th

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER
DUE TO GOOD FRIDAY



Birthday Celebrations

April 2nd - 8th



3rd Meagan Hendren
Shyanne Dabbs
Morgan Prather
Ava Schneider
5th James Scott

6th Larry Walton
Ronaldo Ramirez
7th Betty Georges
Brenda Smith
Blair Stephens

Mission Trip to Letcher, Kentucky

We have a mission trip planned to Letcher, Kentucky to assist those effected by the flooding. This will be a week-long mission trip beginning on Sunday, July 2nd returning on Friday, July 7th. There is something for everyone to do! The cost of this trip will be \$200 per person which includes travel, food, and lodging. There is no charge for children/youth. A \$50.00 per person non-refundable deposit is due to the church office no later than Sunday, April 23rd. If you would like to be a part of this trip but are not able to attend physically, donations will be accepted for materials. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Jerry Russ (910) 734-0611 or Pastor Roger Smith.



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April 2, 2023

Church Theme for 2023:

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

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Worship Team
Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Hedgpath

Custodian
Mr. Jeff Pait

8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Palm Sunday

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	
	“The Lily of the Valley”
Invocation & Welcome	Deacon of the Week
Offertory Hymn	
	“The Old Rugged Cross”
Message in Song	Tre’ Smith
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“A Tale Of Two Trees” Genesis 2:9
*Hymn of Commitment	
	“Jesus Paid It All”

Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	“Let The Rocks Keep Silent”
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Offertory Hymn	
	“He Set Me Free”
Congregational Song	
	“Send the Light”
Message in Song	LeAnn Shooter
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Jesus Messiah”
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“A Tale Of Two Trees” Genesis 2:9
*Hymn of Commitment	
	“Jesus Paid It All”

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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.

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Message In Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Death Was Arrested”
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Tom Martin
Offertory Hymn	
	“The Unclouded Day”
Annie Armstrong Video	
Congregational Song	
	“I Love to Tell the Story”
Message in Song	Ryley Floyd
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Say Amen” Soloist: Dale Johnson


Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“Out With The Old And In With The New, Part 1” Ephesians 4:17-19
*Hymn of Commitment	
	“Only Trust Him”

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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	NO Family Night Supper	
	NO Children and Youth Choir (Grades 1-12)	
	NO Prayer Meeting	
	NO Nursery thru Grade 12	
Friday	7:00 PM	Good Friday Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS





Easter Egg Hunt

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

Grief Share Support Group


GRIEF SHARE! We meet on Monday’s, 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. Rev. Tom and Kay Martin






“Silver Stars” Meeting

The monthly meeting of “Silver Stars” will be held on Tuesday, April 4th, at 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. All seniors are invited to attend. Please sign-up on the sheet in the hallway.



Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting will be held on Monday, April 3rd, at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Thomas Walters.




NO Wednesday Service, Good Friday

There will be **NO** evening worship service on Wednesday, April 5th. However, please join us on Friday, April 7th, for Good Friday, at 7:00 PM. Good Friday is part of the Christian celebration of Easter.

Children’s Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8, 2023 * 10:00 AM-12:00 (noon)


There will be an Easter Egg hunt for Children (birth to Grade 6) with food, games, etc. The Egg Hunt will be held at the church. Youth will be assisting with hiding the eggs and helping with the younger children. If you would like to help, we could use as many chaperones as possible at the Easter Egg Hunt. Most of all, please **PRAY** for this event.



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 5 (House), at 5:00 PM
- TODAY**, Scene 6 (Bar), at 5:00 PM, 4 & 5 year-old class
- TODAY**, Scene 9 (Hell), at 4:30 PM
- TODAY**, Scene 10 (Heaven), at 4:30 PM



OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, April 3rd in observance of Easter.






Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering church goal this year is **\$5,000.00**. The candles in the windows represent the receiving of the offering. There are ten candles, each candle represents \$500.00 and will be lit as the offering is received. Annie Armstrong envelopes are conveniently placed around the church. Please pray for our missionaries.

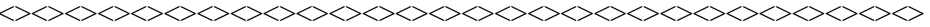
Intercessory Prayer Team

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.



Baby Shower: Chelsea and Nick Stone

Everyone is cordially invited to participate in a Drop-Off Baby Shower for Chelsea, Nick and Avonlea Stone. We are asking you to drop off your gift or gift card at the table in the preschool area no later than Sunday, April 9, 2023. They are registered at Babylist.com.





Holy Week Worship Service

Good Friday * Friday, April 7th * 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday * Sunday, April 9th

7:00 AM Sunrise (outside)

8:00 AM Family Breakfast

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Joint Easter Celebration Service

6:00 PM Easter Communion Service