



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

<b><u>VAN DRIVERS</u></b>	
<b>4/6:</b> Howard Reaves, Jr. (910-316-2819)	<b>4/13:</b> Robert Mishue (910-827-9096)
<b><u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u></b>	
<i>Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten</i>	
<b><i>2 &amp; 3 years old</i></b>	
<b>4/6:</b> Alana Taylor, Chelsea Stone	<b>4/13:</b> Rebacca & Hailey, Lamb, Jeff Bass
<b><i>4 &amp; 5 years old</i></b>	
<b>4/6:</b> Sharon Locklear, Cynthia Woodell, Akeria West	<b>4/13:</b> Marsha & Lucky McKenna, Sophia McLamb
<b><u>NURSERY WORKERS</u></b>	
<b><i>newborn to 2 years old</i></b>	
<b>4/6:</b> Claudia Cooke, Cindy Horne, Gail Lassiter, Susan Tyner	<b>4/13:</b> Claudia Cooke, Whitney Hester, Haley Smith, Alana Taylor
<b><u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u></b>	
Randy Graham (910-374-8399) & Matthew Horne (910-374-4356)	
<b><u>INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY</u></b>	
<b>4/6:</b> Brenda Hester	<b>4/13:</b> Buddy Cribb
<b><u>FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM</u></b>	
<b>4/6:</b> Kenan Chance, Linda Galacci, Debby Bledsoe	<b>4/13:</b> Donna Holden, Cindy Horne, Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

“Leaning On A Broken Staff”

Isaiah 36:6

Theme: “What Do You Put Your Trust In”

- I. The Condition Of The Staff (v. 6a-6c)
  - A. It Was Damaged (v. 6a)
  - B. It Was Deceptive (v. 6b)
  - C. It Was Destructive (v. 6c)
- II. The Comparison Of The Staff (v. 6d)
  - A. What We Shouldn't Trust In (v. 6d)
    - 1. You Can't Trust In Your Prosperity
    - 2. You Can't Trust In Your Possessions
    - 3. You Can't Trust In Your Performance
    - 4. You Can't Trust In Your Profession
    - 5. You Can't Trust In Other People
  - B. What We Should Trust In (Proverbs 3:5-6)

SUNDAY EVENING

“The State Of The Church Address”

Philippians 4:1-5

Theme: “Keeping God's Church On Track”

- I. Paul Addressed The Congregation In Philippi (v. 1)
  - A. His Compassion For The Philippians (v. 1a-1b)
    - 1. He Had A True Love For Them (v. 1a)
    - 2. He Had A True Longing For Them (v. 1b)
  - B. His Comfort In The Philippians (v. 1c-1d)
    - 1. They Were His Joy (v. 1c)
    - 2. They Were His Jewel (v. 1d)
  - C. His Challenge For The Philippians (v. 1e)
- II. Paul Addressed The Conflict In Philippi (v. 2)
  - A. The People Revealed (v. 2a)
  - B. The Problem Resolved (v. 2b)
- III. Paul Addressed The Co-Laborers In Philippi (v. 3)
  - A. His Comments About Their Service (v. 3a)
  - B. His Confidence In Their Salvation (v. 3b)
- IV. Paul Addressed The Christians In Philippi (v. 4-5)
  - A. Rejoice In Christ (v. 4)
    - 1. The Regularity Of Rejoicing (v. 4a)
    - 2. The Repetition Of Rejoicing (v. 4b)
  - B. Refrain From Conflict (v. 5a)
  - C. Realize He's Coming (v. 5b)



Menu for April 9<sup>th</sup>



Fried chicken, rice and gravy, green beans, rolls, 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



Workshop: “The Living Your Best Life”

There will be a workshop on Thursday, May 22, 2025, entitled “Living Your Best Life”. Guest speaker will be Dennis Nunn, Founder and President of Every Believers a Witness Ministry in Greensboro, NC. Lunch will be provided along with some special music. Additional information will be forthcoming but make plans to attend. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Ricky Donaldson.



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April 6, 2025

Church Theme for 2025:

You Can't Out Give God - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

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Minister of Senior Adults  
Rev. Ricky Donaldson  
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Mr. Matthew Horne  
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Ministry Assistant  
Ms. Janet Taylor

Worship Team  
Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

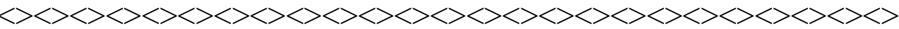
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Custodian  
Mr. Jeff Pait

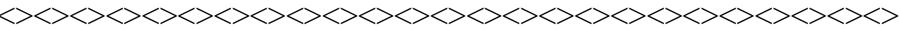
Theme for 2025: You Can’t Out Give God  
2 Corinthians 9:6-7

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	“Trusting God”
Offertory Hymn	
	“Down at the Cross”
Congregational	
	“I Am Resolved”
Message in Song	Ryley Floyd
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“God Is Doing Something Good” Soloist: Alana Taylor
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“Leaning On A Broken Staff” Isaiah 36:6
*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.*



Birthday Celebrations  
April 6<sup>th</sup> - April 12<sup>th</sup>

7 <sup>th</sup>	Betty Georges	Mickey Hunt
	Kristin West	11 <sup>th</sup> Laura Cashwell
10 <sup>th</sup>	Jarrold Hendren	12 <sup>th</sup> Joyce Cribb
	Diane Pittman	Linda McNeill
	Sabrina Sanderson-Floyd	Kinsley Flowers





**Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes**  
Items for the April: Ivory soap (bars only), washcloths, small toys and small stuffed animals

Hearing Impaired Devices

Anyone needing a hearing-impaired device, to use during the worship services, please contact Matt Horne.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	“Old Church Choir” Soloist: Nick Stone
Offertory Hymn	
	“At the Cross”
Congregational	
	“Have Faith in God”
Message in Song	Jennifer Davis
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Thank You Jesus for the Blood” Soloist: Samantha White
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“The State Of The Church Address” Philippians 4:1-5
*Hymn of Commitment	
	“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist



OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	4:30 PM	Handbell Choir
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Monday	7:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Outreach
Wednesday	5:45 PM	Family Night Supper
	6:30 PM	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
Thursday	10:00 AM	Joy Bells Meeting
Saturday	11:00 AM	Youth (Grades 7-12) Lumberton Bowling Center



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacons Meeting

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

CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the **CONTACT** of church prospects through visits and postcards.

Graduates

If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. We would like to acknowledge you on Graduation Sunday.

Parent & Child Dedication Service

If you would like to participate in the Parent & Child Dedication on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, please contact the pastor or the church office by Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday School Year: 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade

We are currently in need of a Sunday School teacher for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. If you have questions and/or would be interested in this position, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ

We will be collecting individually wrapped candy for the Easter Egg Hunt. If you would like to donate candy to the Easter Egg Hunt there will be a box in the hallway, by the office, for the candy. Please drop off candy no later than **TODAY**. Also, we could use as many chaperones as possible at the Easter Egg Hunt. Most of all, please **PRAY** for this event that souls will be saved and people drawn closer to Christ.



161 Days Until Joash Chest Offering

On Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, during the morning worship service we will be having the Joash Chest march. You will be given the opportunity to bring your sacrificial gift, above your tithes, for the new Multi-Purpose Building. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Bowen.

Joy Bells Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of “Joy Bells” will be held on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM, in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. Bernard Hakes, retired pastor form New York and former member of Northside Baptist Church in Bladenboro, NC will be providing our devotion. All senior adults are invited to attend. Lunch will be provided. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway, no later than **TODAY**, as we need a head count for the meal. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.

Drive-In Movies

We will be hosting Drive-In Movies on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 PM. You can sit in your car and watch the movie on our 25-foot outdoor screen or sit outside in a chair (bring your own chair if you desire). There is no cost for the movies and free popcorn and drinks will be provided. The public is invited to attend!

Children’s Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ

Saturday, April 19, 2025 \* 10:00 AM-12:00 (noon)



There will be an Easter Egg hunt and celebration of the resurrection of Christ. This is for Children (birth to Grade 6), with food, games, etc. This event 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. Most of all, please **PRAY** for this event.

Trip to Holy Land: October 13-22, 2025

If you would like to attend a 10-day trip, to Israel which is planned for October 13<sup>th</sup> thru 22<sup>nd</sup>, please contact Pastor Bowen, as soon as possible.



Holy Week Worship Service

Good Friday \* Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> \* 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday \* Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

7:00 AM Sunrise (outside)

8:00 AM Family Breakfast

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Easter Celebration Service

6:00 PM Easter Cantata & Communion Service