



Welcome to East Lumberton

We gather today as children of our heavenly Creator. Please know that whoever you are and wherever you are from, you are welcome in God's house. May every heart be warmed by God's presence. Let us show love and kindness towards one another. If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the welcome center 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

<u>VAN DRIVERS</u>	
12/11: Dale Davis (734-1255)	12/18: Howard Reaves, Jr. (316-2819)
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>	
<i>Children's Church is provided for children ages 3 thru kindergarten</i>	
12/11: Haley Smith, Rebecca Lamb, Crystal Martin	12/18: Willie & Carol Britt, Kay Taylor
<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>	
12/11: Claudia Cooke, Cindy Horne, Elisha Parker	12/18: Claudia Cooke, Haley Smith, Alana Taylor
<u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u>	
Jay Willoughby (734-8208) & Jerry Allen (739-0934)	
<u>INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY</u>	
12/11: Nancy Dudney	12/18: Howard Reaves, Jr.
<u>FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM</u>	
12/11: Peggy Mercer, Cathy Lamb, Debby Bledsoe	12/18: Heather Owens, Margaret Ramirez, Debby Bledsoe

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

Online Giving Building Fund

We have added a *Building Fund* option to our current online giving platform. Please feel free to utilize this method of giving.

SUNDAY MORNING

"Rest In Peace?"
Isaiah 48:2

Theme: "The Peace That Comes With Knowing Christ"

- I. The Peace That Is Absent On Earth
- II. The Peace That Is Abolished In Eternity
 - A. The Removal Of Christ
 - B. The Reason It's Created (Matthew 25:41)
 - C. The Rest That Ceases (Revelation 14:11)
 - D. The Remorse That's Constant (Matthew 8:12)
- III. The Peace That Is Available For Everyone
 - A. It's A Peace That Is Undeniable (Romans 5:1)
 - B. It's A Peace That Is Unexplainable (Philippians 4:6-7)

SUNDAY EVENING

"Testimony"

Makaila Locklear Wright
Oregon Mission

Birthday Celebrations Dec. 11th-Dec. 17th

12 th	Chris Lane	Elisha Parker
13 th	Shelby Hodge	16 th Janice Eddy
14 th	Reba Britt	Austin Smith
	Stephanie Ward	Jean Bozeman
15 th	Thomas Walters	

Menu for December 14th No Wednesday Night Supper

Christmas Card Mailbox

WMU is hosting the Christmas Card Mailbox from Nov. 27th to Dec. 18th. The cards are for active church members and the cost for each card is 25 cents per card. All proceeds go to our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



Year-End Closing

Due to end of the year billing, **NO** church credit cards are available for charges until after Jan. 1st. In case of emergency, please contact Carolyn Hedgpeth, Treasurer, at (910) 316-9766.



Children and Youth Trip

The Youth (Grades 7-12) will be going to the "Festival of Lights" at Lu Mill Vineyard in Elizabethtown, NC for the light show and dinner, on Friday, Dec. 16th, at 5:00 PM. Also, the Children (Grades 1-6) will be going to the "Great Christmas Light Show" in N. Myrtle Beach, SC for the light show and dinner on Saturday, Dec. 17th, at 5:00 PM. There is no cost for either of these trips but you must have a signed permission slip. If you have any questions, please contact Roger Smith.



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December 11, 2022

Church Theme for 2022:
 Mighty Men of God ~ 1 Corinthians 11:3

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

Staff Directory

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Worship Team
Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth

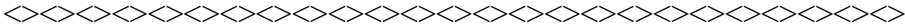
Custodian
Mr. Jeff Pait

8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Third Sunday of Advent

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
Invocation & Welcome	Deacon of the Week
The Candle of Joy	Jeremy & Kristie Gerald
Offertory Hymn	“What Child Is This”
Message in Song	Joyce Cribb
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“Rest In Peace?” Isaiah 48:2
*Hymn of Commitment	“Have You Been to Calvary”

Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

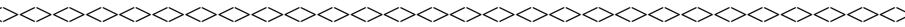


11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Third Sunday of Advent

Prelude	Pianist
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	“You’ll Be Rejoicing Too” Solo: Nick Stone
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
The Candle of Joy	John & Joyce Locklear
Offertory Hymn	“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”
Congregational Song	“What Child Is This”
Message in Song	Abby Britt
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Born In Bethlehem”
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“Rest In Peace?” Isaiah 48:2
*Hymn of Commitment	“Have You Been to Calvary”

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.

6:30 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“King Jesus Is His Name”
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Tom Martin
Offertory Hymn	
	“O Come, All Ye Faithful”
Congregational	
	“It Came upon the Midnight Clear”
Message in Song	Jay Willoughby
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Heaven and Nature Sing”
Testimony	
	Makaila Locklear Wright Oregon Mission
*Hymn of Commitment	“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”

Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist



Third Sunday of Advent; Sunday, December 11th
8:30 AM Traditional Service;
11:00 AM Blended Service
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service
Wednesday, December 14th
No Family Night Supper
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting, Church Conference, KIDS I and II, Youth,
Fourth Sunday of Advent; Sunday, December 18th
8:30 AM Traditional Service; 11:00 AM Blended Service
6:00 PM “The Story of Hope”
Presented by the Sanctuary Choir
Wednesday, December 21st
5:45 PM-6:30 PM Soup, Sandwiches, Desserts and Drinks
6:30 PM-8:00 PM Church-wide Christmas Caroling
8:00 PM Cookies and Hot Cocoa
Saturday, December 24th
5:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service and Lord’s Supper
Sunday, December 25th
Merry Christmas
10:00 AM Joint Worship Service
No Evening Worship Service

Plan now to make the Birth of Christ the center of your Christmas activities.



REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

Today	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Blended Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Wednesday	NO Family	Night Supper
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 PM	Nursery thru Grade 12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Floating Baby Shower



Please join us in honoring Makaila and Jacob Wright as they prepare for the arrival of their new little bundle of joy. There will be a floating baby shower **TODAY**, from 2:00 PM-4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Gift Cards are preferred due to travel or purchase an item on the gift registry and send directly to them. They are registered at Amazon.

Grief Share Support Group



We have begun a new session on Monday evenings, at 5:30 PM. Past participants are welcome to return and new participants are encouraged to attend. If you know someone that is hurting from a loss, please encourage them to attend. They do **NOT** have to be a church member, all are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Tom Martin.



CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 13th, at 7:00 PM. We will make **CONTACT** with our church prospects through visits and postcards.

Attention Sanctuary and Children/Youth Choir Members



There will be an extra rehearsal for the Sanctuary and Children/Youth Choir on Tuesday, Dec. 13th, at 6:30 PM, in the sanctuary. Please make every effort to make this practice. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Horne or Shon Anderson.

Senior Adult Meeting “Silver Stars”



The regular monthly senior meeting “Silver Stars” has been cancelled for Tuesday, Dec, 13th, and rescheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 27th, at 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. You **MUST** sign up on the sheet in the hallway, no later than Sunday, Dec. 25th.

Children and Youth Choir (Grades 1-12)



Children and Youth Choir (Grades 1-12) will meet on **WEDNESDAYS** at 6:30 PM, in the Youth Department. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



Proposed Budget for 2023

The proposed budget for 2023 has been placed at all entrances for your review. The budget will be discussed at church conference on Dec. 14th and will be presented for a vote on Dec. 25th during the joint worship services, at 10:00 AM, with no discussion.

Church-wide Christmas Caroling
Wednesday, December 21st



5:45 PM Supper-Soup, sandwiches, dessert and drinks
6:30 PM-8:00 PM-Church-wide Caroling
8:00 PM–Hot Cocoa and cookies, Fellowship Hall

There will be a hay truck going throughout the community and the bus will be going to Harborview Rest Home (formerly Golden Living) to sing to the residents there.



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

The offering is for International Missionaries and their work to spread the Gospel. Be a part of the Great Commission this season of giving and help others have the blessing of hearing the Gospel! Our church goal this year is \$5,000.00. **Special offering envelopes have been placed at all entrances or you may use a regular offering envelope and designate to Lottie Moon.** May God multiply our gifts!