



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

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312  
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. Melissa Humphrey may be unavailable for a brief period of time.

Weekly Willing Workers  
VAN DRIVERS

1/18: Hugh Bledsoe (910-874-1961)	1/25: Robert Mishue (910-827-9096)
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten	
2 & 3 years old	
1/18: Robin Donaldson, Starla Stephens	1/25: Madison & John Reaves, Margaret Ramirez
4 & 5 years old	
1/18: Janice & Brian Bullock, Michelle Smith	1/25: Sommer & Nathan Broadaway, Jamie Foster
NURSERY WORKERS newborn to 2 years old	
1/18: Claudia Cooke, Cindy & Rex Caulder, Margaret Ramirez, Leighann Martin	1/25: Claudia Cooke, Elisha Parker, Chasity Reaves, Angel Thomas
DEACONS OF THE WEEK Benny Gerald (910-740-5939) & Randy Graham (910-374-8399)	
INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY	
1/18: Molly Horne	1/25: Howard Reaves, Jr.
FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM	
1/18: Donna Holden, Cindy Horne, Meliss Humphrey	1/25: Carrie Mae Jacobs, Gail Lassiter, Cynthia Martin

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

SUNDAY MORNING

“How Is Your Love Life”  
Deuteronomy 6:4-5  
Theme: “Do You Truly Love The Lord”

- I. The Call To Listen To God (v. 4)
  - A. Hear The Word Of God (v. 4a)
  - B. Heed The Word Of God (v. 4a)
  - C. Honor The Lord Our God (v. 4b-4d)
    - 1. He Is Close (v. 4b)
    - 2. He Is Creator (v. 4c)
    - 3. He Is Certain (v. 4d)
- II. The Command To Love (v. 5)
  - A. Love God With All Your Mind (v. 5a)
  - B. Love God With All Your Make Up (v. 5b)
  - C. Love God With All Your Might (v. 5c)

SUNDAY EVENING

“Learning How To Walk”  
Galatians 3:6-14  
Theme: “Walking By Faith”

- I. The Expectation To Walk By Faith (v. 6-9)
  - A. The Faith That Was Portrayed In Abraham (v. 6)
    - 1. He Had Faith When It Came To His Conversion
    - 2. He Had Faith When It Came To His Commission
    - 3. He Had Faith When It Came To His Child
  - B. The Faith That Was Proven Through Abraham (v. 7)
  - C. The Faith That Was Preached To Abraham (v. 8)
  - D. The Faith That Was Pleasing To Abraham (v. 9)
- II. The Enemy Of Walking By Faith (v. 10-14)
  - A. The Demands Of Keeping The Law (v. 10-12)
    - 1. Keeping The Law Is Impossible (v. 10a)
    - 2. Keeping The Law Is Innumerable (v. 10b)
    - 3. Keeping The Law Is Ineffective (v. 11-12)
  - B. The Deliverance From Keeping The Law (v. 13-14)
    - 1. The Burden Removed By Christ (v. 13)
    - 2. The Blessing Received By Christ (v. 14)



Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 PM Baptist Men  
  
Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 PM Outreach  
  
Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>  
5:45 PM Family Night Supper  
6:30 PM Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)  
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting/Church Conference  
7:45 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal



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January 18, 2026

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



Staff Directory

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Rev. Roger D. Smith  
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Minister of Senior Adults  
Rev. Ricky Donaldson  
(910) 499-5218

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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
“Nobody Like Jesus”	
Offertory Hymn	
“Love Lifted Me”	
Congregational	
“Heavenly Sunlight”	
Message in Song	Tre’ & Michelle Smith
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
“Answer Is Jesus”	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“How Is Your Love Life” Deuteronomy 6:4-5	
*Hymn of Commitment	
“Footsteps of Jesus”	
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

Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> - Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>

18 <sup>th</sup>	April Smith	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Billy Allen
20 <sup>th</sup>	Ricky Bryant		Craig Kinlaw
21 <sup>st</sup>	Dalton Hursey	24 <sup>th</sup>	Joyce Locklear



Menu for Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>

Menu: Pizza, salad, 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**



Reminder!

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

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Ordinance of Baptism	
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
“Mercy and Love”	
Offertory Hymn	
“Have Faith in God”	
Congregational	
“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”	
Message in Song	Rev. Ricky Donaldson
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
“It’s Still The Cross” Soloist: Belinda Locklear	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“Learning How To Walk” Galatians 3:6-14	
*Hymn of Commitment	
“I Surrender All”	

Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

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 Nursing)
	4:30 PM	Handbells
Wednesday	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 (Nursery thru Grade 12)
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WMU Meeting

There will be **NO** WMU meeting this month. WMU will resume in February. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Molly Horne.

Baptist Men

The monthly meeting of the Baptist Men will be held on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 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.



CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. We will have **PRAYER** at the altar. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact the church office.



Walkers in Faith

There will be **NO** “Walkers in Faith” this month due to the number of people sick. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Michelle Lewis.



Children’s Committee Meeting

The Children’s Committee will meet on Sunday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. The purpose of the meetings is to plan the 2026 calendar. Please come prepared to provide input on trips and activities. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



Reserving Church Van/Bus

Friendly reminder! If you plan on using the church bus or van, you must complete a request form through the church office. If a form is **NOT** completed, we cannot guarantee a vehicle will be available for you. Planning has to be done in order for vehicles to be gassed up and serviced for them to be ready for trips. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Matthew Stephens or the church office.



Bereavement Food Committee

As part of our ministry here at the church, the bereavement food committee provides a meal to the family during the death of a church member. If you like to assist with this ministry by providing a food item for this meal, please sign the sheet in the hallway. The church provides the fried chicken. This will be on a rotation basis. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Joyce Cribb, Patsy White or Dale Johnson.



2026 Church Committees

We need for all the 2026 Church Committees to meet and choose a chairperson, before January 31<sup>st</sup>. Once this is completed, please notify the church office, of your committee chairperson. Thank you in advance for your assistance.



Church-Wide Adult Valentine Banquet

There will be a church-wide Adult Valentine Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Also, carriage rides will be provided prior to dinner, free of charge, from 4:00 PM until 5:00 PM. If you are interested in attending, please complete a form which can be found on the table at each entrance. Return the completed form along with \$25.00 per person (steak, baked potato, salad, rolls, dessert, drink and entertainment) to the church office or Sabrina Sanderson-Floyd. **The absolute last date we can accept reservations is Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> as food must be pre-ordered.** Make checks payable to East Lumberton Baptist Church.



Graduates

If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. We would like to acknowledge you on Graduation Sunday.

