



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

3/23: Jeff Bass
(910-316-2570)

3/30: Hugh Bledsoe
(910-874-1961)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

2 & 3 years old

3/23: Roger Smith, Missy Beal,
Susan Tyner

3/30: Kristy & Jeremy Gerald

4 & 5 years old

3/23: Haley Smith, Samantha
White, Krista Morgan

3/30: Debby Bledsoe, Margaret
Ramirez, Amanda Graham

NURSERY WORKERS

newborn to 2 years old

3/23: Claudia Cooke,
Kristy Gerald, Sharon Locklear,
Robyn Morgan

3/30: Cindy Caulder,
Claudia Cooke, Lisa Reaves,
Heather Williamson

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Matthew Stephens (910-234-5817) & Nick Stone (910-740-4070)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

3/23: Howard Reaves, Jr.

3/30: Crystal Martin

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

3/23: Susan Tyner, Debby Bledsoe,
Heather Williamson

3/30: Doris Britt, Kathy Buffkin,
Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

"The Chest Of Joash"

2 Chronicles 24:8-11

Theme: "How To Conquer Debt In The Church"

- I. The Man Behind The Giving (v. 8-9)
 - A. The Character Of Joash (v. 8a)
 - B. The Chest Of Joash (v. 8b)
 - C. The Concern Of Joash (v. 8c)
 - D. The Command Of Joash (v. 9)
- II. The Manner Behind The Giving (v. 10-11b)
 - A. They Were All Givers (v. 10a)
 - B. They Were Amusing Givers (v. 10b)
 - C. They Were Abundant Givers (v. 11a)
 - D. They Were Amazing Givers (v. 11b)
- III. The Miracle Behind The Giving (v. 11c)

SUNDAY EVENING

*Noah Reaves,
Speaker*

"Godly Marriage"

Ephesians 5:33

Menu for March 26th



Hamburgers and hot dogs with fixings, chips, 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



Youth (Grades 7-12) Lumberton Bowling Center

The Youth (Grades 7-12) will be going to the Lumberton Bowling Center, on Saturday, April 12th. We will meet at the Bowling Center at 11:00 AM and bowl until 1:00 PM. Cost is \$5.00 per student. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Also, if you plan to attend, please complete a permission slip. If you have questions and/or concerns, 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 Sunday, April 6th. 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



Joy Bells Meeting



The regular monthly meeting of "Joy Bells" will be held on Thursday, April 10th, at 10:00 AM, in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. Bernard Hakes, retired pastor from 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, as we need a head count for the meal. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.



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March 23, 2025

Church Theme for 2025:

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

**EAST
LUMBERTON
Baptist Church**

Staff Directory

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Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer

Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeh

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
	<i>"I'll Take the Old Highway"</i>
Offertory Hymn	
	<i>"Bless That Wonderful Name"</i>
Congregational	
	<i>"Oh, How I Love Jesus"</i>
Message in Song	Tonya Head
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>"I Am Blessed"</i> <i>Soloist: Belinda Locklear</i>
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	"The Chest Of Joash" 2 Chronicles 24:8-11
*Hymn of Commitment	
	<i>"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"</i>
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

Ground Breaking Ceremony

Everyone is invited outside where the new building will be located.



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
March 23rd - March 29th

23 rd	Robert Mishue	Brittany Kinlaw
24 th	Kimberly Baker	27 th Cody Edwards
	Nick Stone	28 th Amy Grimsley
26 th	Melvin Rogers	Tyler Thomas



Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes
Items for the March: small toys and small stuffed animals

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>"Look For Me Around The Throne"</i>
Offertory Hymn	
	<i>"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"</i>
Congregational	
	<i>"What a Lovely Name"</i>
Message in Song	Joyce Cribb
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	<i>"The Answer Is Jesus"</i>
Message	Noah Reaves
	"Godly Marriage" Ephesians 5:33
*Hymn of Commitment	
	<i>"Without Him"</i>

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
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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baptist Women Meeting



The monthly meeting of the Baptist Women will be held **TODAY**, at 4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Joyce Cribb.

Event, Children Committees and Volunteers for Easter Egg Hunt

There will be an important meeting with the Events and Children's Committees and anyone wanting to volunteer to assist with the Easter Egg Hunt and the Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ, **TODAY**, at 5:00 PM, in the Choir Room. The purpose of the meeting is to finalize plans and make sure everything is in place. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)



The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, March 25th, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the **RECOVERY** of inactive members through visits and phone calls.



Children (Preschool-Grades 6) Lumberton Bowling Center

The Children (Preschool-Grades 6) will be going to the Lumberton Bowling Center, on Saturday, March 29th. We will meet at the Bowling Center at 11:00 AM and bowl until 1:00 PM. Cost is \$5.00 per student. Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway. Also, if you plan to attend, please complete a permission slip. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

Arise Conference Meeting



There will be an important meeting of all parents and students attending the Arise Conference on Sunday, March 30th, at 5:00 PM. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



Sr. Adult Committee Meeting

There will be a meeting of the Senior Adult Committee, on Wednesday, March 26th, at 6:30 PM. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.

Trip to Holy Land: October 13-22, 2025



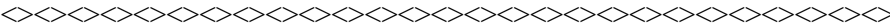
If you would like to attend a 10-day trip, to Israel which is planned for October 13th thru 22nd, please contact Pastor Bowen, as soon as possible.



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.



Sunday, March 23rd

9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Morning Worship Service
4:00PM Baptist Women Meeting
4:30 PM Handbell Choir

5:00 PM Events and Children's Committees and anyone wanting to help with Easter Egg Hunt
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

Monday, March 17th

7:00 PM ZOOM Bible Study

Tuesday, March 18th

7:00 PM Outreach

Wednesday, March 26th

5:45 PM Family Night Supper
6:30 PM Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
6:30 PM Senior Adult Committee Meeting
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting
7:00 PM Nursery thru Grade 12
7:45 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, March 29th

Children (Preschool-Grades 6)
Lumberton Bowling Center
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Cost: \$5.00 per student

Reminder!

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

