



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

3/9: Matthew Stephens
(910-234-5817)

3/16: Donald White
(910-258-2435)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

2 & 3 years old

3/9: Cindy Horne,
Robin Donaldson

3/16: Donna Holden,
Melissa Evers, Chelsea Walton

4 & 5 years old

3/9: Austin & Whitney Hester,
Brittlyn Stubbs

3/16: Janice & Brian Bullock,
Angel Thomas

NURSERY WORKERS

newborn to 2 years old

3/9: Claudia Cooke,
Vicki Hendren, Chasity Reaves,
Becky Willoughby

3/16: Claudia Cooke, Jeff,
Jerri-Kelly & Sofia McLamb

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Joshua Locklear (910-374-1142) & Robert Mishue (910-827-9096)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

3/9: Molly Horne

3/16: Heather Williamson

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

3/9: Joyce Simmons, Lisa Smith,
Debby Bledsoe

3/16: Suzette Taylor,
Jo Ann Hayes, Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

“When Your World Is Falling Apart”

Luke 13:1-5

Theme: “How To Respond When Tragedy Strikes Your Life”

- I. The Catastrophe That's Revealed (v. 1, 4a)
 - A. There Is An Ungodly Tragedy (v. 1)
 - B. There Is An Unexpected Tragedy (v. 4a)
- II. The Call To Reason (v. 2-3a, 4b-5a)
 - A. The Assumption That Is Normal (v. 2, 4b)
 - B. The Assumption That Is Negated (v. 3a, 5a)
- III. The Command To Repent (v. 3b, 5b)
 - A. Why Repent
 - 1. Death Is A Sure Thing
 - 2. Death Is A Sudden Thing
 - 3. Death Is A Serious Thing
 - B. What's Repentance
 - 1. Realization Of Sin
 - 2. Regret Over Sin
 - 3. Repudiation Of Sin

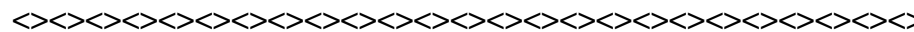
SUNDAY EVENING

“Walk The Walk”

Philippians 3:15-19

Theme: “Living The Christian Life”

- I. The Challenge Paul Gave The Philippians (v. 15-17)
 - A. Paul Wanted Their Maturity To Be Constant (v. 15a)
 - B. Paul Wanted Their Minds To Be Cohesive (v. 15b)
 - C. Paul Wanted Their Master To Be Considered (v. 15c)
 - D. Paul Wanted Their Ministries To Be Constructive (v. 16)
 - E. Paul Wanted Their Models To Be Committed (v. 17)
 - 1. The Main Person To Follow (v. 17a)
 - 2. The Miscellaneous People To Follow (v. 17b)
- II. The Caution Paul Gave The Philippians (v. 18-19)
 - A. Paul's Stern Warning Of The Enemies (v. 18a)
 - B. Paul's Sincere Weeping Over The Enemies (v. 18b)
 - C. Paul's Strong Words About The Enemies (v. 18c-19)
 - 1. Their Depravity (v. 18c)
 - 2. Their Destruction (v. 19a)
 - 3. Their Desires (v. 19b-19d)
 - a. They Are Sensual (v. 19b)
 - b. They Are Shameless (v. 19c)
 - c. They Are Secular (v. 19d)

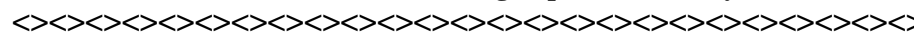


Menu for March 12th



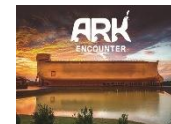
Ham and turkey subs with fixings, chips, dessert and drink.
\$5.00 donation per person; Free for Children under 6
Maximum donation of \$20.00 per family.

Please sign up in the hallway



Ark Encounter and Creation Museum in Williamstown, Ky

There will be a trip to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum, in Williamstown Kentucky, on June 16th-19th. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.



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March 9, 2025

Church Theme for 2025:

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



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Ms. Janet Taylor

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Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth

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
“When He Calls, I’ll Fly Away”		
Offertory Hymn		
“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”		
Congregational		
“Where Could I Go?”		
Message in Song		Belinda Locklear
Message in Song		Sanctuary Choir
“You Chose to Be My Friend”		
Soloist: Nick Stone		
Message		Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“When Your World Is Falling Apart”		
Luke 13:1-5		
*Hymn of Commitment		
“Tis So Sweet to Trust in 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
March 9th - March 15th

10 th	Locklear, Kayleigh	White, Joseph
	Locklear, Stony	White, Mike
	Roberts, Kevin	11 th Danny Johnson
	Santee, Olivia	12 th Doris Britt



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

Reminder!

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



EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE		
Prelude		Pianist
Ordinance of Baptism		
Invocation & Welcome		Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship		Sanctuary Choir
“Walking with Jesus”		
Soloists: Jennifer Davis and Nick Stone		
Offertory Hymn		
“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”		
Congregational		
“When the Morning Comes”		
Message in Song		Jay Willoughby
Message in Song		Sanctuary Choir
“Heaven Help Me”		
Soloist: Dalton Hursey		
Message		Rev. Michael S. Bowen
“Walk The Walk”		
Philippians 3:15-19		
*Hymn of Commitment		
“Wherever He Leads I’ll Go”		
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



Church Council Meeting
There will be a Church Council Meeting **TODAY**, at 5:00 PM, in the Choir Room. All Department Heads and Committee Chairpersons please be sure you or a representative are at this meeting. Please bring your calendar as we plan for the next quarter.

Candidates for Baptism

We will baptize **TODAY**, during the evening worship service. All candidates for Baptism will meet at the front of the sanctuary, at 5:30 PM. Please bring a change of clothes and a towel.



Deacons Meeting The regular monthly Deacons meeting will meet on Monday, March 10 th , 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, March 11 th , at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the CONTACT of church prospects through visits and postcards. Calabash Trip There will be day trip to Calabash on Tuesday, March 11 th . We will be departing from church at 10:00 AM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson. Youth (Grades 7-12) Hockey Game Fayetteville, NC The Youth (Grades 7-12) will be going to the Marksmen Hockey Game in Fayetteville, NC, on Friday, March 14 th . We will depart the church promptly at 5:00 PM. Each student will need to bring money for food. Tickets are limited to the first 20 people who sign-up. 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. Children (Preschool-Grades 6) Lumberton Bowling Center The Children (Preschool-Grades 6) will be going to the Lumberton Bowling Center, on Saturday, March 29 th . 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 30 th , at 5:00 PM. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith. 5th Sunday Night Singing There will be an in-house singing service on Sunday, March 30 th , at 6:00 PM. If you would like to sing, please sign the sign-up sheet in the choir room. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, March 26 th ! If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Matt Horne. Church-wide Cruises: Two Church Cruises for 2026 Cruise 1: Will be an 8-night Caribbean cruise to Curacao, Aruba and Celebration Key. The dates are January 24 th to February 1 st on the Carnival Vista. If you are interested in going on this cruise, please see Mitch Lassiter. Cruise 2: Will be a cruise to the Greek Isles. The dates will be October 4-11, 2026 on the Norwegian Pearl. This is a 7-night cruise with 8 ports of call including Venice Italy, Dubrovnik Croatia, Kotor Montenegro, Corfu Greece, Olympia Greece, Mykonos Greece, Santorini Greece and Athens Greece. People outside of the church are invited to attend both cruises as well. If you are interested in going, please contact Pastor Bowen.	Sunday, March 9th 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Morning Worship Service 4:30 PM Handbell Choir 5:00 PM Church Council 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service Monday, March 10th 7:00 PM ZOOM Bible Study 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting Tuesday, March 11th 7:00 PM Outreach Wednesday, March 12th 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 Friday, March 14th 5:00 PM Hockey Game (Grades 7-12) Fayetteville, NC
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