



## 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

### YAN DRIVERS

**5/25:** Donald White  
(910-258-2435)

**6/1:** Matthew Stephens  
(910-234-5817)

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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

#### **2 & 3 years old**

**5/25:** Rebecca & Haley Lamb,  
Jeff Bass

**6/1:** Cindy Horne,  
Robin Donaldson

#### **4 & 5 years old**

**5/25:** Sharon Locklear,  
Cynthia Woodell, Akeira West

**6/1:** Marsha & Lucky McKenna,  
Sophia McLamb

### NURSERY WORKERS

#### **newborn to 2 years old**

**5/25:** Claudia Cooke,  
Whitney Hester, Haley Smith,  
Alana Taylor

**6/1:** Claudia Cooke, Vicki  
Hendren, Kayla & Daniel Lee,  
Becky Willoughby

### DEACONS OF THE WEEK

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

### INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

**5/25:** Howard Reaves, Jr.

**6/1:** Crystal Martin

### FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

**5/25:** Suzette Taylor,  
JoAnn Hayes, Debby Bledsoe

**6/1:** Susan Tyner, Heather  
Williamson, Debby Bledsoe

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

## SUNDAY MORNING

**“Take Him At His Word”**

**2 Peter 1:19-21**

**Theme: “Why We Can Trust The Bible”**

- I. The Integrity Of God's Word (v. 19a)
  - A. How It Is Prepared
  - B. How It Is Preserved
  - C. How It Is Proven
  - D. How It Is Prophetic
  - E. How It Is Powerful
- II. The Importance Of God's Word (v. 19b)
- III. The Illumination Of God's Word (v. 19c-19d)
  - A. It Is A Light That Is Bright (v. 19c)
  - B. It Is A Light That Is Brief (v. 19d)
- IV. The Interpretation Of God's Word (v. 20)
- V. The Inspiration Of God's Word (v. 21)
  - A. The Bible Isn't Human Words (v. 21a)
  - B. The Bible Is Holy Words (v. 21b)

## SUNDAY EVENING

**Rev. Roger Smith, Speaker**



### Menu for May 28<sup>th</sup>

Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, string 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 on the sheet in the hallway as we need to  
know how much food to prepare.**



### **SAVE THE DATE**

**VBS-August 3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>**



### Tour Lancaster PA & The Dutch Country

There is a trip planned for anyone who would like to go to Lancaster, PA. This is a 4-day 3-night trip, scheduled for August 11<sup>th</sup> thru 14<sup>th</sup>. This trip will include a guided tour of Lancaster, PA, Dutch Country, show “Noah” at the Sight and Sound Theatre, taste local jams and have lunch with an Amish family. If you are interested in going, please contact Gail Lassiter.

### Writing Expository Sermons

Pastor Bowen will be teaching a two (2) week class on how to write expository sermons. Classes will be held on June 15<sup>th</sup> and June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sunday's at 4:30 PM. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Pastor Bowen.



### Children's Choir

Children's choir will be taking a break for the summer. Practice will resume in August. Thank you!



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**May 25, 2025**

Church Theme for 2025:

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

# EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

## Staff Directory

**Senior Pastor**  
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**Associate Pastor for Families**  
**Rev. Roger D. Smith**  
(423) 557-5515

**Minister of Senior Adults**  
**Rev. Ricky Donaldson**  
(910) 499-5218

**Worship Team Leader**  
**Mr. Matthew Horne**  
(910) 734-4356

**Ministry Assistant**  
**Ms. Janet Taylor**

**Worship Team**  
**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
Remembering our Fallen Heroes	
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
"I Believe It All"	
Offertory Hymn	
"Send the Light"	
Children's Choir	
Congregational	
"Great and Mighty is The Lord our God"	
Message in Song	Belinda Locklear
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
"Not One Word" Soloist: Nick Stone	
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"Take Him At His Word" 2 Peter 1:19-21	
*Hymn of Commitment	
"Trust and Obey"	
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  
May 25<sup>th</sup> - May 31<sup>st</sup>

25 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Lee		Hanah Baxley
	Syndi Zurcher	28 <sup>th</sup>	Billie Jo Driggers
26 <sup>th</sup>	Justin Hendren		Kathy Edge
	Crystal Barger		Starla Stephens
27 <sup>th</sup>	Jacob Reaves		



Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoe Boxes  
Items for the May: First aid kits, bandanas, flashlights and batteries.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
"Nobody" Soloists: Shon Anderson and Belinda Locklear	
Offertory Hymn	
"Footsteps of Jesus"	
Congregational	
"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"	
Message in Song	Olivia Santee
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
"You've Already Won"	
Message	Rev. Roger Smith
*Hymn of Commitment	
"Only Trust Him"	
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
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	7:00 PM	Google Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Church Office Closed  
The church office will be closed on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Memorial Day.

CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the **RECOVERY** of inactive members through visits and phone calls.



Drive-In Movies

We will be hosting Drive-In Movies on May 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!



112 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.

Change from Zoom to Google Meeting

The weekly on-line weekly zoom Bible Study meeting has been changed to a google meeting on **Thursday** evenings, from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM, we will discuss the "The World of the End: How Jesus' Prophecy Shapes Our Priorities" by Dr. David Jeremiah. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.



Tryon Palace, New Bern, NC



A trip to New Bern, NC to visit Tryon Palace, will be on Friday, June 20, 2025. This is day trip and we will depart from the church at 7:00 AM on a chartered bus. The cost of this trip for transportation for 50 people is \$58.00 per person, but if only 40 people go the cost is \$69.00 per person. Make checks payable for transportation to East Lumberton Baptist Church and turn in money to the church office. **The absolute last day to pay is TODAY.** This price includes transportation only and does not include meals/snacks or entrance fee. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Ricky or Robin Donaldson or the church office.

SAVE THE DATE Youth (Grades 7-12):  
Broadway Grand Prix, Myrtle Beach, SC

The Youth (grades 7-12) will be attending Broadway Grand Prix on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, in Myrtle Beach, SC. The cost of this trip is \$20.00 per person. Also, we will leave the church promptly at 10:00 AM. Money along with permission slip must be turned in no later than Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in order to get discounted tickets. Sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



Golf Tournament

We are planning a Golf Tournament for Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, at Vineyard Golf Course, White Lake, NC. Everyone is invited to participate, members and non-members. Please contact, Perry Dudney or Randy Graham to sign-up or for additional information. Come enjoy a day of golf.

College Students and Secret Pals Ice Cream Social

All College Students and Secret Pals who participated in the College Ministry program this past school year are invited to an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, at 4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. The Secret Pals will identify themselves to the college students. We would like to thank everyone who participated this year and look forward as others joining the college ministry program next school year. If you have questions, please contact Kristie Martin.

Nursing Home Ministry

We will be starting a Nursing Home Ministry at Harborview Nursing Home beginning the first Sunday in June. We will be sharing the Word of God weekly on Sunday's at 2:00 PM. If anyone is interested in singing or playing an instrument (inside or outside of the church), please contact Pastor Bowen.



New Sunday School Class



We are starting a new college and career Sunday School class beginning the first Sunday in June, at 9:45 AM, in the Old Baracca class. In order to be in the class, you **MUST** be single and under 28 years old. Teacher for this class will be Noah Reaves. If you are graduating high school this year, please feel free to join this class.