



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

<u>VAN DRIVERS</u>	
11/17: Hugh Bledsoe (874-1961)	11/24: John Reaves, Sr. (736-0158)
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>	
<i>Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten</i>	
2 & 3 years old	
11/17: Rebecca & Hailey Lamb, Donna Holden	11/24: Cindy Horne, Robin Donaldson, Jeff Bass
4 & 5 years old	
11/17: Janice & Brian Bullock, Brittlyn Stubbs	11/24: Roger Smith, Missy Beal, Susan Tyner
<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>	
newborn to 2 years old	
11/17: Claudia Cooke, Kristy Gerald, Robyn Morgan, Angel Thomas	11/24: Cindy Caulder, Claudia Cooke, Margaret Ramirez, Heather Williamson
<u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u>	
Danny Leggett (740-9565) & Joshua Locklear (374-1142)	
<u>INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY</u>	
11/17: Howard Reaves, Jr.	11/24: Crystal Martin
<u>FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM</u>	
11/17: Heather Williamson, Donna Holden, Debby Bledsoe	11/24: Terri Gerald, Lisa Smith, Kenan Chance, Debby Bledsoe

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

SUNDAY MORNING

"A Fork In The Road"

Ephesians 5:17

Theme: "How To Know The Will Of God"

- I. The Sinfulness Of Deserting God's Will (v. 17a)
- II. The Significance In Defining God's Will (v. 17b)
 - A. His Perfect Will
 - B. His Permissive Will
- III. The Steps To Discovering God's Will (v. 17c)
 - A. Look To Him Personally (Proverbs 3:5-6)
 - B. Labor In His Promises (Psalms 119:105)
 - C. Linger In Heartfelt Prayer (Psalms 143:8)
 - D. Lean On Helpful People (Proverbs 11:14)
 - E. Learn To Have Patience (Psalms 37:34)
 - F. Listen To His Prompting (1 Kings 19:12-13)

SUNDAY EVENING

"Stop Your Whining and Start Shining"

Philippians 2:14-18

Theme: "The Danger Of Complaining"

- I. The Language We Ought To Shun (v. 14)
 - A. The Command To Not Murmur (v. 14a)
 - B. The Consequences Of Murmuring (v. 14b)
- II. The Life We Ought To Show (v. 15a-15d)
 - A. We Need To Be Serious (v. 15a)
 - B. We Need To Be Soft Hearted (v. 15b)
 - C. We Need To Be Sons (v. 15c)
 - D. We Need To Be Sincere (v. 15d)
- III. The Light We Ought To Shine (v. 15e-15g)
 - A. The Darkness Described (v. 15e-15f)
 1. The World Is Dishonest (v. 15e)
 2. The World Is Depraved (v. 15f)
 - B. The Darkness Dispelled (v. 15g)
- IV. The Love We Ought To Share (v. 16-18)
 - A. The Responsibility Of Sharing God's Word (v. 16a)
 - B. The Reward In Sharing God's Word (v. 16b-16c)
 1. Paul Knew His Efforts Wouldn't Be In Vain (v. 16b)
 2. Paul Knew His Energy Wouldn't Be In Vain (v. 16c)
 - C. The Repercussions Of Sharing God's Word (v. 17a)
 - D. The Rejoicing In Sharing God's Word (v. 17b-18)



Drive-Thru Live Nativity

Wednesday & Thursday,

Dec 4th and 5th

6:30 PM-8:00 PM

Friday, Dec. 6th

6:30 PM-8:30 PM

Saturday & Sunday,

Dec. 7th and 8th

6:00 PM-8:00 PM



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November 17, 2024

Church Theme for 2024:

The Call to Worship ~ John 4:23-24

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

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Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Treasurer

Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth

Custodian

Mr. Jeff Pait

Theme for 2024: The Call to Worship
John 4:23-24

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude		Pianist
Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes		
Call to Worship		Sanctuary Choir
	"In The Morning Light" Soloist: Belinda Locklear	
Invocation & Welcome		Rev. Roger Smith
Offertory Hymn		
	"Kneel At the Cross"	
Congregational		
	"How Great Thou Art"	
Message in Song		Jennifer Davis
Message in Song		Sanctuary Choir
	"You've Already Won"	
Message		Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	"A Fork In The Road" Ephesians 5:17	
*Hymn of Commitment		
	"Jesus Paid It All"	
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
Nov. 17th - Nov. 23rd

18 th	Karen Ingle	Dustin Locklear
	Hatch Rogers	Sommer Broadway
19 th	Roger Smith	22 nd Joshua Stephens
20 th	Maureen Rozier	23 rd Carson Mckenna
21 st	Bob Hester	



*The Fall display is in memory of
Harold and Ruth Smith - their home was
always a home of love and hospitality.
Happy Birthday Momma!!*

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude		Pianist
Ordinance of Baptism		
Call to Worship		Sanctuary Choir
	"Look For Me Around the Throne"	
Invocation & Welcome		Rev. Roger Smith
Offertory Hymn		
	"I Am Resolved"	
Congregational		
	"I Am Thine, O Lord"	
Message in Song		Noah Reaves
Message in Song		Sanctuary Choir
	"I've Got Joy" Soloist: Cassie Martin-West	
Message		Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	"Stop Your Whining and Start Shining" Philippians 2:14-18	
*Hymn of Commitment		
	"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"	
Benediction		Layman
Postlude		Pianist

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	4:00 PM	WMU
	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/Church Conference
	7:00 PM	Nursery thru Grade 12
	7:45 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal



Menu for November 20th

Spaghetti, salad, rolls, 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WMU meeting will be held **TODAY**, at 4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Gwen Mishue.



Church-wide Cruise

There will be a meeting **TODAY** immediately following the evening worship service, in the choir room for the church-wide cruise. The cruise is scheduled for January 11th - 19th, on the Carnival Vista, sailing out of Port Canaveral. There will be a church service on the ship on Sunday. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Mitch or Gail Lassiter.



Baptist Men

The monthly meeting of the Baptist Men will be held on Monday, November 18th, 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, November 19th, at 7:00 PM. We will have **PRAYER** at the altar. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Molly Horne.



Baby Shower: Derek and Alana Taylor

Everyone is cordially invited to participate in a Drop-Off Baby Shower for Derek and Alana Taylor. We are asking you to drop off your gift or gift card at the table in the preschool area no later than Sunday, December 1st. They are registered at Babylist.



Wedding: Ricky Tyner and Maureen Rozier

You are cordially invited to join the celebration of the marriage of Richard (Ricky) Berry Tyner and Maureen Dee Rozier on Saturday, November 23rd, at 2:00 PM, at the church.

Live Nativity: Costumes

If you still have your Live Nativity costume from last year, please return it to the church. If you plan on using it again this year, please contact Paulette Grimsley as soon as possible. The ladies are assembling the costumes and do not want to make more costumes than needed or be short any wcostumes. Thank you for your assistance.



Hearing Impaired Devices

We are looking into purchasing hearing devices to assist the hearing impaired with background noise. Once the devices are secured you will be assigned a device and you can pick it up prior to each service. If you would like one of these hearing devices, please contact Pastor Bowen or the church office.



Thanksgiving Meals

If you know any of our church members who will be alone or in need of a meal on Thanksgiving, please contact Gwen Mishue, Joyce Cribb or the church office no later than Wednesday, November 20th.



Sunday, November 17th

9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Morning Worship Service
Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Dedication
4:00 PM WMU Meeting
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

Monday, November 18th

7:00 PM Baptist Men

Tuesday, November 19th

7:00 PM Outreach (prayer at the altar)

Wednesday, November 20th

5:45 PM Family Night Supper
6:30 PM Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting/Church Conference, Nursery thru Grade 12
8:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal