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
4/14: Matthew Stephens (234-5817) 4/21: Donald White (238-2435)

CHILDREN’S CHURCH
Children’s Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarren
2 & 3 year olds

4 & 5 year olds

NURSERY WORKERS
Newborn to 2 years old
4/14: Shannon Blackwell 4/21: Claudia Cooke
Cindy Caulder, Claudia Cooke, Vickie Hendren, Becky Willoughby

DEACONS OF THE WEEK
John Locklear (1-38-205J) & Robert Mishane (827-9096)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY
4/14: Danny Johnson 4/21: Nancy Dunne

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

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

SUNDAY MORNIN
“I Have Decided To Follow Jesus” Joshua 24:15
Theme: “Being Sold Out To The Lord”
I. The Challenge Joshua Mentioned (v. 15a-15c)
A. The Decision We All Have To Make (v. 15a)
1. Does God Deserve Our Allegiance
2. Does God Demand Our Allegiance
B. The Deities We All Have To Forsake (v. 15b-15c)
1. Forsake Our Past Gods (v. 15b)
2. Forsake Our Present Gods (v. 15c)
II. The Choice Joshua Made (v. 15d-15f)
A. I Can’t Speak For The Others (v. 15d)
B. I Can Speak For My Own (v. 15e-15f)
1. My Heart Is Going To Serve The Lord (v. 15e)
2. My House Is Going To Serve The Lord (v. 15f)

SUNDAY EVENING
“The Invisible War, Part 2” Ephesians 6:14-17
Theme: “Spiritual Warfare”
I. The Power Behind The Armor Of God (v. 10-13)
II. The Pieces Behind The Armor Of God (v. 14-17)
A. The Belt Of Truth (v. 14a)
B. The Breastplate Of Righteousness (v. 14b)
C. The Shoes Of The Gospel (v. 15)
D. The Shield Of Faith (v. 16)
E. The Helmet Of Salvation (v. 17a)
F. The Sword Of The Spirit (v. 17b)

The Final Judgment: Practice Schedule
The following scenes will practice for Final Judgment:
1. The Decision We All Have To Make (v. 15a)
2. The Deities We All Have To Forsake (v. 15b)
3. The Power Behind The Armor Of God (v. 10-13)
4. The Pieces Behind The Armor Of God (v. 14-17)
5. The Final Judgment: Practice Schedule

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

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Join Us On These Platforms!

April 14, 2024

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Associate Pastor for Families
Rev. Roger D. Smith
(423) 557-5518

Minister of Senior Adults
Rev. Ricky Donaldson
(910) 445-1714

Ministry Assistant
Ms. Janet Taylor

Treasurer
Ms. Carolyn Hedgpeth

Custodian
Mr. Jeff Pait

Call to
~ John 4:23-24

Theme: "Spiritual Warfare"

East Lumberton Church
**Theme for 2024: The Call to Worship**
John 4:23-24

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**Hymn of Commitment**
*Sacred Songs of Lloyd E. Biechler, Jr.
**“I Have Decided To Follow Jesus”**
Joshua 24:15

**Benediction**
*Sacred Songs of Lloyd E. Biechler, Jr.
**“I Surrender All”**

**Postlude**
Pianist

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Handbell Choir**

The Handbell Choir will not meet TODAY. If you have questions, please contact Bob Hobdy.

**WMU Meeting**

WMU meeting will be held TODAY, at 4:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall.

**Fun for Seniors**

The Senior Adults will be going on a trip to Washington, D.C., July 22-26, 2024. There will be a brief informational meeting, TODAY, immediately following the evening worship service, in the Fellowship Hall. Information will be distributed at that time.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.

**Baptist Men**

The monthly meeting of the Baptist Men will be held on Monday, April 15th, 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.

**Children Choir (Grades 1-6)**

The Children Choir (Grades 1-6) will not meet on Wednesday night. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

**Instant Church Directory**

We have created an online church directory for our members. You can download “Instant Church Directory” from your app store on your phone. Please take the time to update your information and add a photo. If you have questions, please contact Matt Horne.

**Grades**

If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by Sunday, April 14th. We would like to acknowledge you on Graduation Sunday.

**Student Arise 2024 Conference (Grades 7-12) - Pigeon Forge, TN**

The Student Arise 2024 Conference is for students (Grades 7-12) during the week of July 15th thru July 18th. The cost of this trip is approximately $400.00 per person, based on 4 per room. Also, a $50.00 non-refundable deposit MUST be paid by Sunday, April 28th to confirm your hotel reservations. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

**ELBC Window Decals**

Many of you have ask for ELBC car decals so you can advertise our church. We have approximately 100 of these decals available on a first come first serve bases. The decals are available in the vestibule.

**Youth Sunday**

The Youth will be conducting the morning worship service on Sunday, April 21st, at 11:00 AM. All Youth are encouraged to attend. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

In the past 9 years thousands of people have come through “The Final Judgment” resulting in over 3500 salvations. We invite you to join us again this year for our presentation of the “The Final Judgment’ entitled “The Boy Born Dead”.

This year’s story will address the issues of bullying, child molestation and special needs kids. The drama will be based on the true story of David Ring, who for 18 minutes, was dead at birth. As a result of this death, he has cerebral palsy which greatly affects his speech and his walking. Despite all odds, God saved him and called him to preach. He is now a nationally known speaker with a message of how God can work through anyone in spite of their circumstances.

On Sunday, April 28th, David Ring will be sharing his life changing testimony during the 11:00 AM service. The Final Judgment is a walk-through drama where you visit various scenes in a family’s life ending at Judgment Day, Hell and then Heaven. This event is FREE! So, make plans to attend!

We do ask, if possible, if you could bring one canned good when you come to our Final Judgement presentation as a gift to our food pantry. It feeds many hungry people in the Robeson County area. If you cannot bring a canned good, come anyway. Reservations are open. You can pre-register on-line at www.easehumbertobaptist.com or call (910) 739-3358 to make reservations.

**Food Pantry for April**

During the month of April, the food pantry is requesting 2-pound bags of flour or corn meal. There will be a box in the hallway for these items. If you have any questions and/or concerns, contact Joyce Cribb.