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 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 (923) 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
4/21: Donald White (258-2435) 4/28: Jeff Bass (316-2570)

CHILDREN’S CHURCH
Children’s Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten

2 & 3 years old
4/21: Gail Lassiter, Katelyn Lassiter, Elisha Parker
4/28: Cassie Matin West, Susan Tyner

4 & 5 years old
4/21: Rebecca Lamb, Haley Smith
4/28: Samantha White, Donna Holden

NURSERY WORKERS
newborn to 2 years old
4/21: Claudia Cooke, Vickie Hendren, Becky Willoughby
4/28: Jeff & Jerr-Kelly McLamb

DEACONS OF THE WEEK
Roger Finnan (258-6033) David Baxley (334-0613)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY
4/21: Nancy Dudyke 4/28: Molly Hume

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

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

Sunday Morning

“Are You Prepared?”
Matthew 24:36
Theme: “Are You Ready For The Lord?”

I. The Promise Of His Coming
   A. It Will Be Unknown (Matthew 24:42)
   B. It Will Be Unexpected (Matthew 24:44)

II. The Precursors Of His Coming
   A. There Will Be A Deception (Matthew 24:4-5)
   B. There Will Be A Division (Matthew 24:6-7)
   C. There Will Be A Depravity (Matthew 24:9-10)

III. The Preparation For His Coming
   A. Realize You Are A Sinner (Romans 3:23)
   B. Repent Of Your Sin (Luke 13:3)
   C. Receive The Savior (Romans 10:9-10)

Sunday Evening

Final Judgment

April 19th-21st
April 26th – 28th
Friday ~ 6:30PM -8:30PM
Saturday ~ 3:00PM - 7:00PM
Sunday ~ 3:00PM - 7:00PM

Reminder!
Sunday, April 21st and Sunday, April 28th 6:00 PM is reserved for our church members. If you would like to see The Final Judgment, come at 6:00 PM.

Parking Instructions for Cast and Crew
We are asking all cast and crew to please park on the grassy area across from the church. We realize many of you come early and there are available spaces closer to the building but remember during our peak periods we have nowhere to park our guests attending The Final Judgment. There will be security in the parking areas. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this matter.

Birthday Celebrations April 21st - April 27th

21st Kathy Britt 26th Ashley Holmes
Brent Meares
Betsy Brooks
Bruce Meares
Caleigh Lane
Christian Broadway
Colin Baker
Buddy Cribb
Carolyn Freeman
Vickie Stone
Alice Faye Bryan
22nd
Betty Rogers
Kathy Hester
John Reaves, Jr.
Madison Evers
Sherry Stephens
Cynthia Martin
Olivia McLamb
23rd
24th

Church Theme for 2024:
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April 21, 2024

Church Theme for 2024: “Are You Prepared”

Call To Worship ~ John 4:25-24

East Lumberton Baptist Church

Staff Directory

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Custodian
Mr. Jeff Pait

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

**11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**

**Youth Sunday**
Worship Leader: Dalton Harsey

- **Prelude**  
  - Piano: Congregation
- **Call to Worship**  
  - “At the Cross”
- **Invocation & Welcome**  
  - Harley Wise
- **Congregational**  
  - “Footsteps of Jesus”
- **Message in Song**  
  - Emily Cox
- **Offertory Hymn**  
  - “Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound”
- **Offertory Prayer**  
  - Brody Broadway
- **Message**  
  - “Are You Prepared”  
  - Matthew 24:36
- **Hymn of Commitment**  
  - “Without Him”
- **Benediction**  
  - Layman
- **Postlude**  
  - Pianist

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**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.

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**Menu for April 24th**  
**NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER during the month of April**

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**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering**
We will continue to collect money for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering during the month of April. The church goal this year is $5,000.00. Annie Armstrong envelopes are conveniently placed around the church. Please pray for our missionaries:  
*And he said unto them, “Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.” Mark 16:15*

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**Senior Adult Trip: Washington, D.C.**
The Senior Adults will be going on a trip to Washington, D.C., July 22-26, 2024. If you would like information on this trip, please contact Rev. Ricky or Robin Donaldson or the church office for an informational sheet.

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**6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE**

**Final Judgment**  
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

In the past 9 years thousands of people have come through “The Final Judgment” resulting in over 3500 salvation. 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 Judgment 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.cashlumbertonbaptist.com or call (910) 739-3358 to make reservations.

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**opportunities of the week**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Handbell Choir**

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

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**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.

**CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)**
The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, April 23rd, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the RECOVERY of inactive members through visits and phone calls.

**Graduates**
If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by TODAY. 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.

**Parent & Child Dedication Service**
If you would like to participate in the Parent & Child Dedication on Sunday, May 12th, please contact the pastor or the church office by Wednesday, May 1st.

**Check-In Nursery and Preschool**
We have started a Check-In Process for Nursery and Preschool ages (newborn to 5 years old)! All parents with children in this age group, please scan the QR code and register your child! You need to register each child separate. If you have any questions, please see Matthew Horne.

**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.

**Church-wide Cruise: Hawaii**
Anyone interested in going on a church-wide cruise to Hawaii, August 30-September 7, please contact Pastor Bowen. This will be a 7-night round trip cruise out of Honolulu on the Norwegian Pride of America ship. The ports we will visit will be Honolulu (overnight), Maui (overnight), Hilo, Kona and Nawiliwili (overnight). We will visit 5 ports in 7 days on all 4 of the major Hawaiian Islands. We will most likely fly out of Raleigh/Durham to Honolulu. The cost will vary based on the number of people in your party, room selection and the flight you choose.

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