



Welcome to East Lumberton

We gather today as children of our heavenly Creator. Please know that whoever you are and wherever you are from, you are welcome in God's house. May every heart be warmed by God's presence. Let us show love and kindness towards one another. If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the welcome center 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
 Wednesday-Dr. Tom Martin (910) 876-3462
 Tuesday & Thursday-Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170
 Friday & Saturday-Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

Weekly Willing Workers

<u>VAN DRIVERS</u>	
12/5: Craig Prevatte (827-7067)	12/12: Howard Reaves, Jr. (316-2819)
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>	
<i>Children's Church is provided for children ages 3 thru kindergarten</i>	
12/5: Linda Oliver, Tonya Baxley	12/12: Roger & Kim Smith, Crystal Martin
<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>	
12/5: Claudia Cooke, Tyler & Haley Smith	12/12: Claudia Cooke, Cindy Taylor, Maureen Rozier
<u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u>	
Harold Phillips (739-9796) & Roger Pittman (258-6033)	
<u>INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY</u>	
12/5: Nancy Dudney & Molly Horne	12/12: Perry Dudney
<u>FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM</u>	
12/5: Suzette Taylor, Carrie Mae Jacobs	12/12: Heather Owens, Brittlyn Stubbs, Debby Bledsoe, Jillian Gibson

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

Menu for Dec. 8th

Hamburger, baked beans, chips, dessert and drink.
 \$4.00 per person; Free for Children under 6
 Maximum of \$20.00 per family
 * Please sign up in the hallway



SUNDAY MORNING

"Let It Go"

Matthew 6:14-15

Theme: "The Power Of Forgiveness"

- I. Why We Need To Forgive People (v. 14a, 15a)
 - A. Unforgiveness Affects Our Pardon (v. 14a, 15a)
 1. Understand Everlasting Forgiveness
 2. Understand Everyday Forgiveness
 - B. Unforgiveness Affects Our Peace (Heb 12:14-15)
 - C. Unforgiveness Affects Our Prayers (1 Pet 3:7)
 - D. Unforgiveness Affects Our Praise (Matt 5:23-24)
 - E. Unforgiveness Affects Our Profession (Eph 4:31-32)
 - F. Unforgiveness Affects Our Power (Luke 23:34)
 - G. Unforgiveness Affects Our Person
- II. Ways We Need To Forgive People (v. 14b, 15b)
 - A. Forgiveness Needs To Be Real (v. 14b, 15b)
 - B. Forgiveness Needs To Be Rapid (Eph 4:26)
 - C. Forgiveness Needs To Be Repeated (Matt 18:21-22)
 - D. Forgiveness Needs To Be Returned (Col 3:13)

SUNDAY EVENING

"Members Only, Part 1"

3 John 1:1-8

Theme: "3 Kinds Of Church Members"

- I. The Hospitable Church Member (v. 1-8)
 - A. The Letter Forwarded To Him (v. 1a)
 - B. The Love Felt For Him (v. 1b-8)
 1. The Testimony He Exhibited (v. 1b-2)
 2. The Truth He Embraced (v. 3-4)
 3. The Tenderness He Extended (v. 5-8)
 - a. He Opened His Home To Ministers (v. 5)
 - (1) The Mandate To Give To Ministers (v. 6a)
 - (2) The Motive To Give To Ministers (v. 6b-7)
 - (3) The Ministry Of Giving To Ministers (v. 8)
 - b. He Opened His Heart To Ministers (v. 6-8)



Birthday Celebrations

Dec. 5th - Dec 11th

5 th Brooke Willoughby Janet Taylor	7 th Clay Adams Eva Hepple
6 th C.B. White William Parker Chelsea Spivey	8 th Carolyn Jolly Jordan Hope

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering



The offering is for Southern Baptist International Missionaries and their work to spread the Gospel. Be a part of the Great Commission this season of giving and help others have the blessing of hearing the Gospel! Our church goal this year is \$6,000.00. **Special offering envelopes have been placed at all entrances or you may use a regular offering envelope and designate to Lottie Moon.** May God multiply our gifts!

Year-End Closing

Due to end of the year billing, **NO** church credit cards will be available for charges from Dec. 15th thru Dec. 31st. In case of emergency, please contact Carolyn Hedgpeth, Treasurer, at (910) 316-9766.

Second Sunday Of Advent



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December 5, 2021

Church Theme for 2021:
 A Call to Prayer ~ Psalms 5:1-3

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

Staff Directory

Senior Pastor Rev. Michael S. Bowen (910) 736-6170	Associate Pastor for Families Rev. Roger D. Smith (423) 557- 5515
Minister of Senior Adults Dr. Tom Martin (910) 876-3462	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

8:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Second Sunday of Advent

Prelude Pianist
Deacon Election Randy Graham
*Ushers will hand out ballots to church members attending the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM worship services. You must be a member of East Lumberton Baptist Church to vote.

Call to Worship
"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

Invocation & Welcome Deacon of the Week
The Candle of Peace Thomas & Diane Walters

Offertory Hymn
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Message in Song Thomas Walters
Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen

"Let It Go"
Matthew 6:14-15

*Hymn of Commitment
"Softly and Tenderly"

Benediction Layman
Postlude Pianist

11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Pianist
Deacon Election Randy Graham
*Ushers will hand out ballots to church members attending the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM worship services. You must be a member of East Lumberton Baptist Church to vote.

Message in Song Sanctuary Choir
"Call Him Jesus"

Invocation & Welcome Rev. Roger Smith
The Candle of Peace Tyler & Haley Smith

Offertory Hymn
"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

Message in Song Jordan Hope
Congregational

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Message in Song Sanctuary Choir
"Born In Bethlehem"

Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"Let It Go"
Matthew 6:14-15

*Hymn of Commitment
"Softly and Tenderly"

Benediction Layman
Postlude Pianist

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Pianist
Call to Worship
"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Invocation & Welcome Rev. Tom Martin

Offertory Hymn
"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

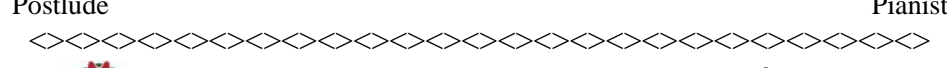
Message in Song Shon Anderson
"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Message in Song Sanctuary Choir
"Something to Shout About"
Solo: Jay Willoughby

Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen
"Members Only, Part 1"
3 John 1:1-8

*Hymn of Commitment
"I Surrender All"

Benediction Layman
Postlude Pianist



Wednesday, December 8th
5:45 PM Family Night Supper
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting, KIDS I and II, Youth

Friday thru Sunday, December 10th-12th
6:30 PM until 8:30 PM "Live Nativity"

Third Sunday of Advent; Sunday, December 12th
8:30 AM Traditional Service; 11:00 AM Blended Service

Wednesday, December 15th
5:45 PM Family Night Supper
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting, Church Conference, KIDS I and II, Youth

Fourth Sunday of Advent; Sunday, December 19th
8:30 AM Traditional Service; 11:00 AM Blended Service

6:00 PM "Noel! Born Is the King!"
Presented by the Sanctuary Choir

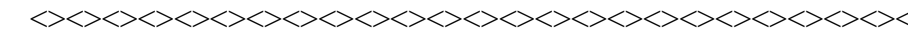
Wednesday, December 22nd
5:45 PM-6:30 PM Soup, Sandwiches, Desserts and Drinks
6:30 PM-8:00 PM Church-wide Christmas Caroling
8:00 PM Cookies and Hot Cocoa

Friday, December 24th
5:00 PM Christmas Eve - Candlelight Service and Lord's Supper

Saturday, December 25th
Merry Christmas

Sunday, December 26th
8:30 AM Traditional Service; 11:00 AM Blended Service
6:00 PM Youth Worship Service

Plan now to make the Birth of Christ the center of your Christmas activities.



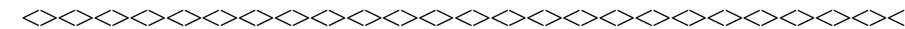
The flowers on the communion table are in memory of J.D. and Dorothy Inman on their 75th wedding anniversary.



Flowers are given by the family.


REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

Today 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Blended Worship Service
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service
Wednesday 5:45 PM Family Night Supper
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting
7:00 PM Nursery thru Grade 12




ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacon Elections

 Deacon elections will be held during both morning worship services, **TODAY**. The candidates are: Benny Gerald, Tommy Hodge, Mitch Lassiter, Robert Mishue and Tyler Smith. We are electing three. You must be present and a member of East Lumberton Baptist Church to vote.


Attention Sanctuary Choir Members

There will be an extra rehearsal for the Sanctuary Choir **TODAY**, at 4:00 PM, in the sanctuary. Please make every effort to make this practice. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Horne or Shon Anderson. 


Live Nativity: Counselors

There will be a meeting with all the counselors for the Live Nativity, **TODAY**, at 5:00, in the College and Career Class. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Bowen.


Senior Adults: Operation Christmas Child Processing Center

 All volunteers going to the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Charlotte, NC on December 7th, will depart from the church at 7:00 AM. The group will volunteer from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Sandwiches will be available for purchase at lunch. We will stop for dinner on the way back. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Tom or Kay Martin.


Christmas Card Mailbox

WMU will host the Christmas Card Mailbox from November 28th to December 19th. The cards are for active church members and the cost for each card is 25 cents per card. All proceeds go to our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. 

Proposed Budget for 2022

 The proposed budget for 2022 has been placed at all entrances for your review. The budget will be discussed at church conference on December 15th and will be presented for a vote on December 26th during the morning worship services with no discussion.

Travel Trip: Branson Show Extravaganza

There will be a 9-day, 8-night travel extravaganza to Branson, Missouri with sight-seeing along the way. Dates are June 4-12, 2022. The cost of the trip is \$899.00 per person, with double occupancy. This price includes 8 nights lodging, 6 dinners and 6 fabulous shows. If you have question, please contact Mitchell or Gail Lassiter. 

Senior Adult Christmas Celebration

There will be a Senior Adult Christmas Celebration on Monday, Dec. 13th, at 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a time of food, fun and fellowship in honor of Jesus Birth! Seniors 55 and up are invited! If you feel uncomfortable driving at night transportation will be provided! ONE sign-up sheet is in the hallway and the deadline to sign up will be Sunday, Dec.12th. **YOU MUST SIGN UP!** Also, please bring a White Elephant gift for exchange. You must NOT spend any money on it, just bring something you already have at home. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Tom or Kay Martin.

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.