Welcome to East Lumberton Baptist Church

An Senior Pastor of East B, 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. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

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.

SUNDAY MORNING
Rev. Ricky Donaldson, Speaker
“The Fear of the Lord is Wisdom”
Ecclesiastes 12:8-14

I. The Fear of the Lord is Defined
II. The Fear of the Lord is Described
III. The Fear of the Lord is Demanded

MINISTER OF SENIOR ADULTS’ CANDIDATE
The Senior Adult Search Committee and the Pastor would like to recommend Rev. Ricky Donaldson as our part-time Senior Adult minister. Rev. Donaldson has pastored churches in Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina for fifty years. Presently, he is serving at Evergreen Baptist Church in Evergreen, NC. Rev. Donaldson has degrees from Liberty University and Luther Rice Seminary. He has participated in mission trips, worked as a volunteer chaplain, and substituted at local schools. He enjoys visiting, singing, and preaching. Rev. Donaldson has been married to Dr. Robin Faulk Donaldson for thirty-nine years. She has degrees from Wake Forest University, Francis Marion University and Liberty University. She has taught middle and high school as well as college. Presently, she is a math interventionist at Green Sea Floyd High School in Green Sea, SC. The Donaldsons live outside of Tabor City on Robin’s family farm. They have two adult sons, Joshua and Timothy. Joshua lives in Tabor City and Timothy lives in Savannah, GA. Timothy is married to and is a part-time Senior Adult minister. They are conservative Christians who work as a team for the Lord. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact a member of the Senior Adult Search Committee, Randy Graham, Dale Johnson or Johnny Hursey.

SUNDAY EVENING
“When A Christian Goes Hog Wild”
Luke 15:11-24
Theme: “What Happens When A Child Of God Comes Back Home”

I. The Disobedient Follower (v. 11-19)
A. His Deliverance (v. 11)
B. His Disposition (v. 12)
1. It Was Shameful (v. 12a)
2. It Was Shocking (v. 12b)
3. It Was Selfish (v. 12c)
C. His Decline (v. 13)
1. He Became Wayward (v. 13a)
2. He Became Wicked (v. 13b)
D. His Downfall (v. 14-15)
1. He Was Hopeless (v. 14a)
2. He Was Helpless (v. 14b)
E. His Desperation (v. 16)
F. His Decision (v. 17-20a)
1. What He Realized (v. 17a)
2. What He Remembered (v. 17b)
3. What He Resolved (v. 18-19)
4. When He Returned (v. 20a)
II. The Devoted Father (v. 20b-24)
A. His Patience (v. 20b)
B. His Pursuit (v. 20c)
C. His Protection (v. 20d)
D. His Passion (v. 20e)
E. His Pardon (v. 21)
F. His Provisions (v. 22-23)
1. His Filth Was Covered (v. 22a)
2. His Finger Was Covered (v. 22b)
3. His Feet Were Covered (v. 22c)
4. His Feast Was Covered (v. 23)
G. His Praise (v. 24)

For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.
Theme for 2024: The Call to Worship
John 4:23-24

11:00 AM BLENDED WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Message in Song

Invocation & Welcome

Offertory Hymn

Congregational

Message in Song

Message

*Hymn of Commitment

Benediction

Postlude

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**OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK**

**Today**

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

7:45 PM Bulletin Deadline

7:45 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**Birthday Celebrations**

January 21st - 27th

21st Dalus Hussey 23rd Billy Allen
Bianca Powers Ben Morgan
23rd Craig Kinlaw Ben Morgan
Deborah Taylor
24th Joyce Locklear Brianna Walters
Alexis Bailey Allison Collins

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WMU Meeting

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. Also, WMU will be collecting clean new or used blankets or throws for the homeless. These items will be donated to the Lumberton Police Dept. and the Robeson County Sheriff’s Office for them to pass out to individuals in need. There will be a container in the hallway by the office or contact Gwen Mishue.

CPR (Contact, Prayer, Recovery)

The regular monthly outreach will be held on Tuesday, January 23rd, at 7:00 PM. We will focus on the RECOVERY of inactive members through visits and phone calls.

Denim and Pearls

Due to many of the ladies going on the church-wide cruise, the Denim and Pearls monthly meeting for February has been rescheduled to Friday, January 26th, at 6:30 PM. All ladies are invited! If you have questions, please contact Lisa Hendren or Sharon Leggett.

Skating – Students Grades 1-12

Children (Grades 1-6) and Youth will be going to Mr. P’s Skateworld in Lumberton on Saturday, February 24th, from 11:30 AM until 1:30 PM. Cost is $5.00 per student. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Roger Smith.

Final Judgement Meeting

There will be meeting on Sunday, January 28th, at 4:00 PM, in the sanctuary for all individuals involved in Final Judgement. The purpose is to assign parts and scene captains. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Michael Bowen.

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Deacons

Listed below is a list of current deacons for 2024: Randy Graham (Chairman); Danny Johnson (Vice Chairman); Danny Leggett (Secretary); David Baxley, Benny Gerald, Matt Home, Joshua Locklear, Mitch Lassitter, John Locklear, Robert Mishue and Roger Pittman.

New Wednesday Night Sermon Series

Pastor Bowen has begun a new sermon series, on Wednesday nights, on the book of Proverbs. Please join us for our mid-week service.

Children’s Choir

NO Children’s Choir until further notice. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.

Treasure: Contribution Statements

Contribution Statements and on-line contribution statements have been prepared. If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Hedgpeth, Treasurer, at the church office on Monday thru Wednesday.

**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.

**January**

Sunday; January 21st

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Blended Worship Service

Speaker: Rev. Ricky Donaldson

4:00 PM WMU Meeting

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

Tuesday, January 23rd

7:00 PM Outreach

Wednesday, January 24th

7:00 PM Prayer Meeting, Nursery thru Grade 12

8:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Monday, January 20th

5:30 PM Denim and Pearl

Sunday; January 28th

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Blended Worship Service

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

There will be a church-wide Adult Valentine Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 17th, at 6:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in attending, please complete a form which can be found on the table at each entrance. Return the completed form along with $15.00 per person (steak, baked potato, salad, rolls, dessert, drink and entertainment) to the church office or Melissa Reaves.

The absolute last date we can accept reservations is Sunday, Feb. 4th as food must be pre-ordered. Make checks payable to East Lumberton Baptist Church.

Also, we will have a time fun and fellowship as we play games which will start at 5:30 PM. Each person needs to bring one wrapped gift. Please do not feel like you have to go buy a new gift just bring something you have at home. You can bring your gifts prior to the banquet and place them outside the preschool room in the box.

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