

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.

MINISTERS ON-CALL

Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170 Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

EMERGENCY PRAYER REQUEST

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312 Donna Holden (910) 534-0616

If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Donna Holden or the church office. Melissa Humphrey may be unavailable for a brief period of time.

Weekly Willing Workers VAN DRIVERS			
<u>VAN DRIVERS</u>			
11/30: Jeff Bass	12/7: Hugh Bledsoe		
(910-316-2570)	(910-874-1961)		
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>			
Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten			
2 & 3 years old			
11/30: Cindy Horne,	12/7: Alana Taylor,		
Robin Donaldson, Starla Stephens	Brittlyn Stubbs, Megan Freeman		
4 & 5 years old			
11/30: Sommer & Nathan	12/7: Austin & Whitney Hester,		
Broadaway, Jamie Foster	Sophia McLamb		
<u>NURSERY WORKERS</u>			
newborn to 2 years old			
11/30: Claudia Cooke, Kristy	12/7: Cindy Caulder,		
Gerald, Robyn Morgan,	Claudia Cooke, Margaret Ramirez,		
Angel Thomas	Susan Tyner		
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<u>DEACONS OF THE WEEK</u>			
Danny Johnson (910-258-7383)	& Josh Locklear (910-374-1142)		
INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY			
11/30: Howard Reaves, Jr.	12/7: Crystal Martin		
FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM			
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For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.

12/7: Margaret Ramirez,

Terri Gerald, Debby Bledsoe

11/30: Cynthia Martin,

Julia Martin, Debby Bledsoe

SUNDAY MORNING

"The Road To Hell & The Road To Heaven" **Matthew 25:46**

Theme: "Understanding Heaven & Hell"

- The Differences In Heaven & Hell (v. 46a)
 - A. The Titles For Hell
 - 1. Sheol (Psalms 16:10)
 - Hades (Acts 2:31)
 - 3. Lake Of Fire (Revelation 20:15)
 - 4. Gehenna (Matthew 23:33)
 - 5. Tartarus (2 Peter 2:4)
 - B. The Titles For Heaven
 - 1. Paradise (Luke 23:43)
 - 2. Abraham's Bosom (Luke 16:22)
 - The New Heaven & New Earth (Revelation 21:1)
 - 4. New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:2)
 - 5. The 3rd Heaven (2 Corinthians 12:2)
- The Directions To Heaven & Hell (v. 46b-46c)
 - A. How To Go To Hell (v. 46b)
 - B. How To Go To Heaven (v. 46c)

SUNDAY EVENING

"We Are Called To Stick Out, Not To Fit In" **Galatians 2:11-18**

Theme: "The Danger Of Trying To Please People"

- Peter's Compromise (v. 11a, 12-13)
 - A. His Fame At Antioch (v. 11a)
 - B. His Fellowship At Antioch (v. 12a)
 - C. His Fear At Antioch (v. 12b)
 - D. His Followers At Antioch (v. 13)
 - 1. He Leads Believers Astray (v. 13a)
 - 2. He Lead Barnabas Astray (v. 13b)
- Paul's Confrontation (v. 11b, 14-18)
 - A. He Confronted Peter Personally (v. 11b)
 - B. He Confronted Peter Publicly (v. 14a)
 - C. He Confronted Peter Powerfully (v. 14b-18)
 - 1. He Chastised His Compromise (v. 14b)
 - 2. He Challenged His Conduct (v. 14c)
 - 3. He Confessed His Culture (v. 15)
 - 4. He Corrected His Creed (v. 16)
 - a. We Aren't Saved By The Law (v. 16a)
 - b. We Are Saved By The Lord (v. 16b)
 - 5. He Clarified His Convictions (v. 17-18)

Menu for Dec. 3rd

Chicken & pastry, cabbage, green beans, corn bread, dessert and drink. \$5.00 donation per person; Free for Children under 6 Maximum donation of \$20.00 per family.

You MUST sign up on the sheet in the hallway as we need to





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November 30, 2025

Church Theme for 2025: You Can't Out Give God - 2 Corinthians 9:6-7



Staff Directory

Senior Pastor

Rev. Michael S. Bowen (910) 736-6170

Minister of Senior Adults Rev. Ricky Donaldson (910) 499-5218

> **Ministry Assistant** Ms. Janet Taylor

Treasurer Ms. Kenan Chance **Associate Pastor for Families**

Rev. Roger D. Smith (423) 557-5515

Worship Team Leader Mr. Matthew Horne (910) 734-4356

Worship Team

Mr. Larry Cooke & Mr. Shon Anderson

Custodian Mr. Jeff Pait

Theme for 2025: You Can't Out Give God 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude **Pianist** Invocation & Welcome Rev. Roger Smith

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir

"I'll Take the Old Highway"

Offertory Hymn

"When We All Get to Heaven"

Congregational

"The Unclouded Day"

Message in Song Daniel Lee

Message in Song Sanctuary Choir

> "Hymn of Heaven" Soloist: Nick Stone

Rev. Michael S. Bowen Message

"The Road To Hell & The Road To Heaven" **Matthew 25:46**

*Hymn of Commitment

"Trust and Obey"

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. 30th - Dec. 6th

1st Amy Britt Mickey Hunt Carol Taylor Britt Jonathan Stubbs **Brooke Willoughby** Kay Taylor Kim Britt Janet Taylor C. B. White

Michael Floyd Cheryl Faulk

Nominating Committee Request

The Nominating Committee is asking, if anyone is interested in serving as WMU Director or Assistant WMU Director, please contact Cindy Horne or anyone on the Nominating Committee. Thank you in

advance for your willingness to serve.

Reminder!

Don't forget the tracts in the hallway. Please feel free to pick one up and share a tract with a friend.



Smith.

6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude **Pianist**

Invocation & Welcome Rev. Roger Smith

Call to Worship Sanctuary Choir

> "I'll Put on A Crown" Soloist Nick Stone

Offertory Hymn

"The Lilly of the Valley"

Congregational

"I Feel Like Traveling On"

Thomas Walters Message in Song

Message in Song "Holy Forever"

Message Rev. Michael S. Bowen

"We Are Called To Stick Out, Not To Fit In" **Galatians 2:11-18**

*Hymn of Commitment

"Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

Benediction Layman Postlude **Pianist**

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
v	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Haitian Ministry
	2:00 PM	Nursing Home Ministry (Harborview Nursing)
	4:30 PM	Handbell Choir
Wednesday	5:45 PM	Family Night Supper
	6:30 PM	Children's Choir (Grades 1-6)
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting, Nursery thru Grade 12
	7:45 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	7:00 PM	Google Meeting
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting will be held on Monday, Dec. 1st, at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Randy Graham.

Preschool thru Grade 6: Sweet Valley Ranch, Fayetteville, NC

Preschool thru Grade 6 will be going to Sweet Valley Ranch in Fayetteville, NC to see the "Festival of Lights" on Saturday, Dec. 13th. The group will be leaving at 5:00 PM. The cost is \$5.00 per person plus money for food. Only ONE chaperone per family will get the discounted price. Tickets have to be purchased in advance, money MUST be paid no later than Wednesday, Dec. 3rd. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Roger

Angel Tree



This year's Angel Tree is for residents at a local rest home. If you have an angel, all gifts should be returned by Sunday, Dec. 14th. Instructions are attached to each angel. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Sharon Leggett or Lisa Hendren.

Items for Homeless

With the weather beginning to change many of the homeless in Lumberton are without items to keep them warm. As we strive to be the hands and feet of Jesus, we will be collecting coats, hats/scarfs, blankets/throws or any type items to help keep the homeless warm and show them love. There will be a container for these items in the choir room. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Sherry Norris.

Proposed Budget for 2026

The proposed budget for 2026 has been placed at all entrances for your review. The budget will be discussed at church conference on Dec. 10th. It will be presented for vote on Dec. 28th during the morning worship service, with no discussion.



Senior Adult Christmas Party



Sanctuary Choir

The "Joy Bells" will be having their annual Christmas Party on Thursday, Dec. 18th, at 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Great food, fun and fellowship! This will be a catered meal, therefore you MUST sign-

up on the sheet in the hallway. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.

Youth Grades 7-12

Youth Grade 7-12 will be going to Myrtle Beach, SC to visit the "The Great Christmas Light Show", on Saturday, December 6th. The group will be leaving at 2:00 PM. We will stop to eat. Please sign the sign-

up sheet in the hallway. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Roger Smith.

Sanctuary Choir Musical

The Sanctuary Choir will be presenting a Christmas musical "Somewhere in Your Silent Night" on Sunday,

December 7th, at 6:00 PM. Please invite a friend and come and support our choir and worship our Lord.

Arise Conference Meeting: Cook Team, Chaperones & Students

There will be an very important meeting on Sunday, December 7th, at 5:00 PM, in the Felolowship Hall. This meeting is for anyone who would like to be apart of a cook team, chaperone and all students attending the Arise Conference. Parents and youth workers have first priority as chaperones. The reason this meeting is so important is to get pre-registartion

information. We must get our housing and conference reservations completed as soon as possible. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Roger Smith.

Christmas Card Mailbox

WMU is hosting the Christmas Card Mailbox from Dec. 1st to Dec. 21st. The cards are for active church members and the cost for each card is 30 cents per card. All proceeds go to our Building Fund.

Church-wide Christmas Caroling Wednesday, December 17tht

5:45 PM Supper-Soup, sandwiches, dessert and drinks 6:30 PM-8:00 PM-Church-wide Caroling

8:00 PM-Hot Cocoa and cookies, Fellowship Hall There will be a hay truck going throughout the community and the bus will be going to Wesley Pines to sing to the residents there.

