

### 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Nursery—Room D-107 (former TEL/Ladies' Fellowship Class)  
Preschool Sunday School Class — Room D-111A ' (use entrance across from nursery)  
1st-5th Grade Sunday School Class — Room D-206  
Youth Sunday School Class — Youth Sunday School Hall, Room 203  
\*Young Adults — Room D-209  
Bridge Sunday School Class — Room D-202  
Circle of Friends Class — Pastor's Study (outside Parlor)  
Collins Class — Conference Room  
Susan Welsh Class — Room D-218  
Fellowship Class — Chapel & Zoom  
Friends of Jesus Class — Activities Building

\*We are excited to be launching a new discipleship gathering for adults in their 20s and 30s today, April 9th! Join us in room D-209 on the 2nd floor Durham Building.

### For Children During Worship

Nursery care is available for birth—age 2. Nursery will meet in Room D-107 (former TEL/Ladies' Fellowship Class room). Children age 3—K are invited to attend Extended Session after the children's sermon. Extended Session will meet in D-111. Children in 1st grade and older attend the full worship service. Worship bags are available for those who wish to use them.

### Restrooms

Ladies restrooms are located outside of the organ-side of the Sanctuary. A family/handicap accessible restroom with an infant changing table is located outside of the piano-side of the Sanctuary.

### Church Staff

Contact us at 910-739-4336 or office@fbclumbertonnc.org  
www.fbclumbertonnc.org  
Rev. Tim Little — Minister of Music and Facilities  
Rev. Josh Owens — Senior Pastor  
Mr. Len Power — Building Superintendent  
Mrs. Kandace Ramsey — Administrative Assistant  
Rev. Doug Reedy — Associate Pastor of Youth, Young Adults and Missions

### This Week at FBC

#### Sunday, April 9 Easter Sunday

9:30 a.m. .... Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. .... Worship in Sanctuary  
10:30 a.m. .... Worship Online (Facebook Live & YouTube)

#### Monday, April 10

The offices and Early Childhood Ministry closed

#### Tuesday, April 11

7:00 a.m. .... Men's Prayer Group (Zoom)

#### Thursday, April 13

11:00 a.m. .... Fun & Fellowship (Act. Bld.)

#### Friday, April 14

Senior Adult Trip to Ideal Home Show, Raleigh

#### Saturday, April 15

10:00 a.m. .... Community Café, hosted by Reedy Family (Act. Bld.)

### Coming up...

**April 16** — Rev. Ron Hinson will be our guest preacher.

**April 19** — Friends of Jesus Softball Game, 6:00 pm, Godwin Heights Park. We need volunteers to help with food. Contact Lynn or Johnny Smith.

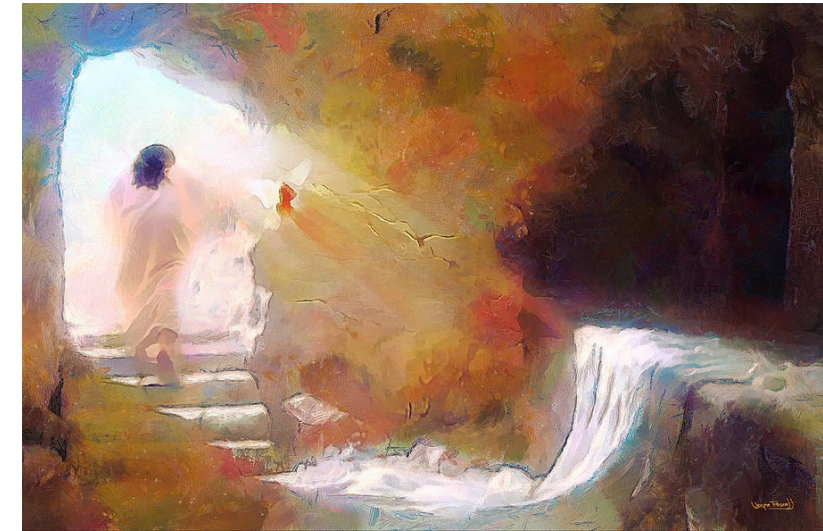
**April 22** — Local Missions Day! Sign up to participate in projects such as firewood, Lumberton Christian Care work, or Children's Project. Contact Rev. Doug Reedy or the church office to sign-up.

**April 24** — Finance will meet at 5:45 pm in the Chapel. Deacons will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**April 26** — Admin. Professionals Day

**April 26** — Quarterly Church Conference, 6:00 pm

# "The Fear & Joy of Easter" Matthew 27:62—28:15 (NLT)



"Hallelujah, He Has Risen" by Wayne Pascall

## Easter Sunday April 9, 2023

### First Baptist Church

7th & Walnut, Lumberton, NC

a community of faith

*FBC Lumberton is a community of faith  
committed to living out the love of Christ  
by serving God and all people.*

**Worship**  
**Easter Sunday**  
**Sunday, April 9, 2023**  
**10:30 a.m.**  
**First Baptist Sanctuary**

Prelude..... Betty Hubbard

Easter Greeting ..... Rev. Josh Owens  
He is risen! **Allelujah!**  
He is risen! **Allelujah!**  
Christ is risen indeed! **Amen!**

Announcements & Call to Worship..... Rev. Owens  
Leader: The dark night is behind us; the morning light  
erased all darkness and doubt.

**People: All that remains is the empty tomb and  
the wrappings of pain and death.**

Leader: The Lord has risen; He's no longer among  
the dead.

**People: He lives. The Lord has risen!**

Leader: Yes, the Lord lives! The new morning fills our  
hearts with joy and hope.

**People: Let us then worship together,  
extinguishing all doubt and fear with joyful songs  
and an unbreakable faith in our Redeemer.**

Hymn of Resurrection, No. 294 ..... Congregation  
*Christ Arose!*

Time with the Children..... Rev. Tim Little

Scripture Reading..... Rev. Doug Reedy  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Morning Prayer & the Lord's Prayer ..... Rev. Reedy  
**Our Father, Who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy Will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offertory Hymn, No. 288 ..... Congregation  
*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Offertory Prayer ..... Rev. Little

Worship Through Giving ..... Congregation

Doxology, Hymn No. 44 ..... Congregation

Anthem ..... Sanctuary Choir  
*Live a Life of Praise*

Sermon ..... Rev. Owens  
"The Fear & Joy of Easter"  
Matthew 27:62—28:15 (NLT)

Hymn of Response, No. 302 ..... Congregation  
*He Lives*

Sending Affirmation ..... Congregation  
"I Believe in the Resurrection" written by Ed Baker

Benediction..... Rev. Owens

Postlude..... Betty Hubbard

*We invite you to place flowers on the cross outside the  
Sanctuary this Sunday.*



On April 22, 2023 we will participate in various mission events as part of our Local Missions Day. This ministry will include an opportunity for small groups of adults, youth, and children to visit areas in our community that we can serve. You can sign up for the project of your choice [online](#) or pick up a form from the office or at the Info Table.

**Give to First Baptist Church**



You may donate to our ministry during Sunday worship, scan the QR code with your cell phone camera, give online, or mail your contribution:  
606 N. Walnut Street,  
Lumberton, NC 28358.

**Servants this Sunday**

The ECM Entrance is temporarily CLOSED due to repairs. Please enter at the Sanctuary.

9:30 Sunday School — Entrance Greeters 9:00-9:30 am  
6th Street Ramp (Handicap) — Kenneth Sasser

10:30 Worship — Entrance Greeters 10:00-11:30 am  
Vestibule — Brenda and James Britt

Security Monitor — *volunteer needed*

Nursery — Ashlynn Cox, Jenna Davis

Extended Session — Katherine Martin, Pattie Ramsaur

*The altar flowers are given in loving memory of  
Julius T. Singletary on the anniversary of his  
passing (April 7, 2008) by his family.*

## “I Believe in the Resurrection”

By Ed Baker

So what say you, people of God, on this Easter Sunday?

### **I believe in the resurrection.**

I believe that Jesus died on the cross,  
his hands and feet held to the wood by metal spikes.  
I believe that his body was pierced by the soldier’s spear,  
and even the sun was darkened  
as all creation grieved the death of God’s eternal Son.

### **I believe in the resurrection.**

I believe that Jesus’ body was placed in a borrowed tomb,  
where it lay for three days.  
I believe that the power of God, his heavenly Father,  
brought life to his dead body  
and rolled the stone away from the entrance  
so all might see that Jesus was no longer there.

### **I believe in the resurrection.**

I believe that the unbelievable story of the women was true,  
just as the angel had announced:  
“He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.”

### **I believe in the resurrection.**

I believe that there is no force in the universe  
that could stop, hinder, contain, or successfully oppose  
the risen Savior, our Lord, Jesus Christ.  
No nails are long enough to hold him to any cross  
unless he wills it to be so.  
No tomb can be sealed so tightly—  
by Pilate or Herod, or Caesar himself.  
Were there an army of a thousand men guarding the tomb,  
it would make no difference.  
Jesus said he would lay down his life and take it up again.  
And he did.

### **I believe in the resurrection.**

I believe that Jesus appeared to eleven discouraged, defeated,  
demoralized disciples in a room where the doors were locked  
and all hope was lost.  
I believe that when he showed them  
his nail-pierced hands and his spear-pierced side,  
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What could the world do to them? Jesus was alive.

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I believe that Jesus lives today—  
as powerfully and perfectly alive as he was two thousand years ago,  
and for all time past and yet to come.  
I believe he empowers his followers to follow in his footsteps,  
fight the forces of evil,  
and find their peace and joy and eternal hope in him.

**I believe in the resurrection.**

I believe that Jesus calls women, men, and children  
to join him in changing the world, one heart and life at a time,  
starting with their own.  
One day soon, he will come again on the clouds of heaven  
with an army of celestial warriors whose numbers are beyond  
counting  
and whose power is beyond imagining.  
Then Jesus will establish his eternal kingdom,  
where there will be no more soldiers or spears  
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