



PRITCHARD
at South End

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Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 16

Monetary donations are still being accepted in the Church Office
for Barringer Academic Center school supplies.

If you write a check, please make it payable to Pritchard and
note on the memo line "BAC Supplies."

Thank you for your participation in this vital ministry!



Rev. Bobby Morrow

Pastor

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There are many times in our lives when words just do not seem adequate to express the depths of our feelings. I find that is true at weddings. How can you express a love that makes you want to spend the rest of your life with someone in words? I often find myself thinking that when approaching a funeral service. Words just cannot always express how a person's life has affected yours. I find myself feeling that way now when I try to express my thanks for the last 15 years at Pritchard. But because words are all we have at the moment; I am going to try to share my love and appreciation.

April and I were so taken aback by your generosity expressed to us on Sunday, July 12th. I have often said that keeping a secret at Pritchard is impossible, but you proved me wrong. I had no idea anything was planned. The incredible gift to vacation at our favorite place in the world was more than we could have ever imagined. Then to add the check on top of that was almost too much for us to comprehend. You have always been a generous church. From the first day I set foot on this property you have shown me love, respect and grace. You just took that to a new level this time.

I have tried through the years to express how blessed I feel to have the opportunity to be your Pastor. I cannot think of anywhere else in the world I would rather serve. You took a chance on me from day one. I had never pastored a church before I arrived here at Pritchard. Because you knew that, you allowed me to make many mistakes. I have continued to make mistakes for the entire 15 years, but you have always forgiven me and continued to support me. You have expressed to me the same grace that God made possible through His Son Jesus. It is obvious that you decided to treat me like Jesus has treated all of us. That has made all the difference in my ministry.

One of the greatest gifts you have given me is allowing me to be myself. To express my faith in ways that did not have to fit in the mold of anyone else. When I arrived at Pritchard, I heard immediately of the great legacy of leadership that was a part of Pritchard's history. Dr. Williams, Dr. Potter, Jack Maguire, Dixon Free, John Fletcher, and Hal Shoemaker were names I heard on a weekly basis. Even though these great leaders continued to be revered, you never expected me to be them. You allowed me to be Bobby. You allowed me to use what gifts God gave me and you never tried to compare them to those that preceded me here. That has been a blessing. I could give you a long list of my pastor friends who never got out from under the shadow of those who preceded them in their pulpit. Another measure of your uniqueness is that you have NEVER done that to me.

As I said on July 12th, I owe a great debt to the Pulpit Committee that felt led to recommend me to Pritchard. Don Taft, Bill Farson, Willena Kiser, David Fortenbery (who still has some doubt whether this is going to work), Paula Hendricks, Larry Mathews and Kathy Trent took a giant leap of faith and I will forever be grateful to them. I love each of you more every day. I consider it the great privilege of my life to be your Pastor. Thank you for loving us and continuing to make this the best place in the world to serve God! Since words fall short, I will try to show you with my actions in the days ahead my heartfelt gratitude for each of you!

In His Love,
Bobby Morrow



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SummerFest 2020....CANCELED due to Covid-19. We are all sad...but wait! Good News! SummerFest 2021 is coming...the BEST SummerFest Celebration EVER!



It is time to start making plans to attend one of our two weeks....May 17-21 or August 10-14, 2021. Or do as some and attend both weeks!

You may be asking yourself, *"What is SummerFest?"* SummerFest is a five-day, four-night retreat for adults 50 and above that happens twice a year at Fort Caswell on Oak Island, NC. The two weeks include times for worship, entertainment, classes that are of interest to adults such as Bible studies, fishing off the pier, art class, jewelry making, Fancy Finds Road Show for furniture refinishing class, water aerobics, and special classes from NCBAM, etc. You'll also be meeting new friends, sharing laughs, riding adult size tricycles/bicycles all over campus, swimming in the Atlantic Ocean or Fort Caswell's Olympic size swimming pool, visiting special places in the Southport community, a ferry boat ride over to Fort Fisher and Carolina Beach where we pick up some homemade Brett's Donuts, delicious meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) served right on campus, the sights and sounds of being at the mouth of the Cape Fear River and the Atlantic Ocean, just across from Bald Head Island and Southport on the mainland. The cost for each week is \$340.00 per person which includes your lodging for four nights, meals for five days, conference registration (which covers speakers, entertainers, special interest classes), and transportation to and from on a rental mini bus (if you prefer not to drive yourself).

Who will be leading us in 2021? Same folks who planned to lead us in 2020!

- Mike Cogdill (from Campbell University) - Proclaimer for our worship services for both weeks each morning at 11:00 AM.
- Mark Cabaniss - Worship leader and choir director for both weeks each morning at 11:00 AM, Tuesday night entertainer for both weeks as well.
- Larry Keesler - Pianist once again for both weeks.

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Entertainers for both weeks:

- Scott Mason - Raleigh, NC TV personality
- Nixon Blevins and Gage
- Mark Cabaniss in concert
- Marcus Hamilton - Cartoonist of "Dennis the Menace"
- Communion by waterfront at sunset each Thursday night led by Doug Cole of our SummerFest Leadership Team.
- Silent auction again to support our Endowment Funds that help underwrite and keep down the expenses of our SummerFest programs each year.

So, Covid-19 may have taken our joy away for SummerFest 2020, BUT not in 2021. The BEST SummerFest Celebration ever is coming in 2021!!! Our Theme for the week is *"The Gift" (2 Corinthians 9:15)*. Hopefully after reading all of this, you will want to join us next year. If you have any questions, please contact me. You can sign up on Realm or contact the Church Office at 704-376-1571. I hope you will join us for SummerFest 2021.....this life changing week at Fort Caswell!

I am looking forward to the day in the not-too-distant future, when we can be back together again. All our favorite senior adult events will resume when it is safe to do so again.

Blessings! Stan

Scholarship Opportunity

The generosity of Pritchard members through the years has provided much needed scholarship funds for our Pritchard youth who go on to college. This continues to be a huge help to families as they look to pay for what has become an increasingly costly endeavor. We occasionally have a student who cannot afford college even with the help of scholarships. Many of you have expressed to me a desire to help when that occurs with one of our students. If you currently have an interest in helping, please contact Bobby Morrow, 704-376-1571. He can share with you how you can currently participate in helping eliminate this deficit.

South End Fine Arts Academy

Pritchard is proud to be the home of the South End Fine Arts Academy. The Academy offers private music lessons, group dance classes and intro to music classes. For more information, please contact Melissa Wisor at southendfineartsacademy@gmail.com



Rev. Brack Ballard
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Pritchard youth and college-aged ministries have enjoyed our Summer together! We may not have been able to do all of our usual camps, activities, and trips, but we have made many fun memories together. Our youth have experienced "Fun Days" at Pritchard and the Pritchard lake lodge together on Tuesdays. Our college-aged ministry has been meeting bi-weekly for dinner and small group as we study "Dream Big" by Bob Goff. All the while, safety of our students and families has remained a priority and we have communicated clearly the expectations and potential risks of participation with parents and students.

As we move into the Fall, I know that much uncertainty awaits us. My prayer is that we can all be a support and encouragement to one another as we move into what will be another very *different* school year. Our college-aged ministry will begin to meeting bi-weekly on Zoom upon their return to school. The youth ministry will begin meeting on Saturday nights beginning September 12th from 4:45-6:15 PM during Overflow! We look forward to this next season and will be communicating more details as they develop over the coming months. If you would like to follow weekly updates about our youth ministry, please join our Pritchard Youth Facebook group or follow us on Instagram. If you would like to join our college-aged or youth ministry email list, please notify me and I will add you!

Blessings,
 Rev. Brack Ballard

Stewardship Update

Revenues & Expenses – Summary
JUNE 2020

	MTD Actual	MTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$112,619	\$122,349	\$717,973	\$787,499
Total Expenses	\$123,408	\$137,698	\$669,255	\$767,600
Net Total	(\$10,789)	(\$15,349)	\$48,718	\$19,899

Pritchard Memorial showed a loss of \$10,789 for the month of June.

Our year-to-date net total is a positive \$48,718. During the Covid-19 time period (March through June), we still show a positive of \$8,323. Thank you for your support during these troubled times.



Rev. David Bailes
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Music/Worship Ministry

When we received the Covid-19 stay at home order back in March, the decision was made that we would continue to stream our Sunday morning worship celebration. Because we had already been streaming for a few years, the technology was already in place to enable us to do that effectively. We might consider ourselves fortunate and blessed that we were able to seamlessly continue to stream throughout the Covid crisis and even now as we have begun to regather again for worship.

Of course, we would not have been able to stream were it not for the faithful service of our Audio/Video team. These fine men and women have faithfully and tirelessly served in this important, yet, essential role not only during this crisis, but in most cases, for many, many years. We are immensely grateful for their fine, continued service.

Also during this unusual time, our vocal team and band have quite willingly and faithfully served to enable us to continue to have vibrant, inspiring worship music. A big thank you goes to these fine servants as well.

The Return of Choir?

Much concern has been expressed by experts regarding the heightened risk of choir singers contracting Covid-19 due to the more excessive dissemination of what is being referred to now as aerosol, in other words, the spewing that we do when we vigorously sing. Many have said that choirs should not sing until a vaccine is available. We will continue to monitor this situation carefully in order to make the best decision possible.

As for now, we will continue to utilize the choir and orchestra in worship through the means of virtual video recording.





OVERFLOW

SOUTH END

SAVE THE DATES

Pritchard Church Family:

We will host TWO "soft launches" for Overflow in August and we hope to see you there! The purpose of these soft launches is to gather feedback in what we have gotten right and what we are missing before officially starting September 12th. Here is what we need from you:

1. Invite your family and friends and let them know what we are doing.
Saturdays - August 22nd & August 29th
Overflow Kids starts at 4:45 PM.
Overflow starts at 5:05 PM.
Everything will conclude by 6:15 PM.
2. Put in your GPS **1128 South Caldwell Street, Charlotte, NC 28203** and see if it takes you to park in our upper and lower parking lots:
3. Completely act like this is your first time at Pritchard. Allow Legacy Team Members to direct you and answer your questions.
4. Wear a mask, practice social distancing, and continue to wash/sanitize your hands.
5. Things to look for:
 - a. Are our directional signs helpful or confusing?
 - b. Were our Legacy Team members nice, welcoming, and informative? This would be in the parking lots, Gym, and at Overflow Kids.
 - c. Was the music one that offers thought and reflection:
 - i. for those that don't know God and who God is?
 - ii. for believers, was the music a way to worship?
 - d. Was the message a good mix of information for nonbelievers and believers?
 - e. Was the invitation clear on what to do if you want to receive prayer or want to receive Jesus as the Lord of your life?
 - f. What did your children say they did/experienced at Overflow Kids?
6. Our service will be about 40-45 minutes and then we will receive your thoughts before ending.

Thank you and we cannot wait to experience OVEFLOW with you, your family and friends!

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PRITCHARD PULPIT

10:30 AM WORSHIP

REV. BOBBY MORROW

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

SERMON: "FEAR VS. FAITH"

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 8:22-25, 2 TIMOTHY 1:7,
PHILIPPIANS 1:21

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

SERMON: "INFLUENCER: RIDGECREST 2020"

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

SERMON: "THE MOTIVATION FOR GOOD"

SCRIPTURE: 1 CORINTHIANS 13:1-13

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

SERMON: "TREASURES IN HEAVEN"

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 6:19-24

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

SERMON: "CONFIDENCE IN JESUS"

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 8:5-13



Sanctuary Flowers

Sunday, August 9

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bob and Lib Gore, Sr. and Bob Gore, Jr. Forever present in our hearts! They are placed by their family - Kathy, Sarah, Mary, Michael, Luca and Leo.

Sunday, August 23

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in honor of Tim Stewart in belated celebration of his birthday on May 16 and with thanks for his great friendship. They are placed by Susan Rose.

Remembering Someone Special

Is there a particular month or day that's a special time for you or your family? Maybe a milestone birthday or anniversary? Maybe you want to honor someone special? Or remember a loved one? If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary on August 30, September 6 or November 22 - please contact Lynn or Katrina in the Church Office.

From the Media Center by Katrina Gore

OCEANS AND BEACHES...

Summer by the Tides by Denise Hunter

Maddy Monroe's restaurant career is in shambles. When her grandmother goes missing, she and her estranged sisters meet at the family beach house in Sea Haven, North Carolina. As the sisters pack up the family belongings, memories of wonderful slow-paced summers are resurrected. But long-buried secrets suddenly come to light!

The Inn at Ocean's Edge (Sunset Cove Series #1) by Colleen Coble

Claire Dellamare disappeared from her own 4th birthday party at the Hotel Tourmaline on the island of Folly Shoals, Maine. She showed up a year later at the same hotel, with a note pinned to her dress. Nobody knows where Claire spent the last year. When Claire finds herself at the Hotel Tourmaline years later for a business meeting with her CEO father, disturbing memories begin to come to the surface!

Water's Edge by Robert Whitlow

Sometimes the smallest towns hold the biggest secrets. Ambitious young attorney Tom Crane is about to become a partner in a big-city law firm. One final matter has to be cleared from his docket---the closing of his deceased father's law practice in the small town of Bethel. His father did not leave anything except the hassle of a bankrupt estate. Then Tom discovers two million dollars of unclaimed money stashed in a secret bank account!



ENJOY SUMMER READING ABOUT OCEANS AND BEACHES!

August

Saturday, August 1**Sunday, August 2**

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)

10:30 AM—Worship Service

Monday, August 3

6:00 PM—Christian Ed Meeting (ZOOM)

Tuesday, August 4

3:00 PM—Afternoon Bible Study Group

6:00 PM—Personnel Meeting (ZOOM)

Wednesday, August 5

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Tryon House

Thursday, August 6

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Americana

Friday, August 7**Saturday, August 8**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

Sunday, August 9

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)

10:30 AM—Worship Service

Monday, August 10

6:00 PM—Deacons Meeting (ZOOM)

Tuesday, August 11**Wednesday, August 12**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Tryon House

6:00 PM—Stewardship Meeting (ZOOM)

Thursday, August 13

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Americana

Friday, August 14**Saturday, August 15**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

Sunday, August 16

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)

10:30 AM—Worship Service

Monday, August 17**Tuesday, August 18****Wednesday, August 19**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Tryon House

Thursday, August 20

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Americana

Friday, August 21**Saturday, August 22**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

4:45 PM—Overflow Kids

5:05 PM—Overflow

Sunday, August 23

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)

10:30 AM—Worship Service

Monday, August 24**Tuesday, August 25****Wednesday, August 26**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast at Tryon House

Thursday, August 27**Friday, August 28****Saturday, August 29**

4:45 PM—Overflow Kids

5:05 PM—Overflow

Sunday, August 30

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)

10:30 AM—Worship Service

Monday, August 31

*****Due to Covid-19, when Gov. Cooper allows NC to move into the next Phase, or lifts the coronavirus restrictions, our campus schedule may change. Make sure the Church Office has your email so you'll be up-to-date on the latest news here at Pritchard! Our mid-weekly announcements are sent out through E-connect.**

Services Streamed LIVE Online!

Pritchard streams our Sunday Service LIVE! It's another way to carry the message of Christ to a wider audience. So, pass the word to former members, those who live in another city, and your friends and neighbors. Links will be posted and go live around 10:25 on Sunday mornings.

You can view the service three different ways:

- 1) YouTube Channel: Search Pritchard South End. (If you have a YouTube account, you can subscribe to our channel and get notifications when the stream is starting.)
- 2) Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PritchardSouthEnd>
- 3) Twitter: <https://twitter.com/PritchardChurch>



We Express Our Love and Sympathy to:

- ~ Betty Graham and family in the passing of her brother, John Griffith.
- ~ Charlie and Rose Byrd, and their extended family, in the passing of their grandson, Scott Patterson.
- ~ Kathy and Doug Evans, and their extended family, in the passing of Kathy's father, Huel Millsaps.



OUR VISION

The Pritchard family of faith desires to be the presence of Christ in South End, Dilworth and wherever the Lord opens doors of opportunity to share His love. Our ministry seeks to:

CREATE

Loving relationships and partnerships with individuals, families and organizations

WORSHIP

God through inspired music, prayer and Bible-based teaching, welcoming all seekers to come and worship the risen Christ

NURTURE

And make disciples through transformative studies and spiritual formation

ENGAGE

In hands-on missions, changing lives while benefiting our community and the world

Pritchard at South End

You are important to us!
We want you to stay healthy and safe!



Avoid
Handshakes
and Hugs

Masks are
MANDATORY



Welcome to Our New Members!



By Baptism:
Miss Sienna Thomas

Reinstated Membership by Statement:

Mrs. Melanie Evans Harper *(picture not available)*

CHURCH STAFF

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