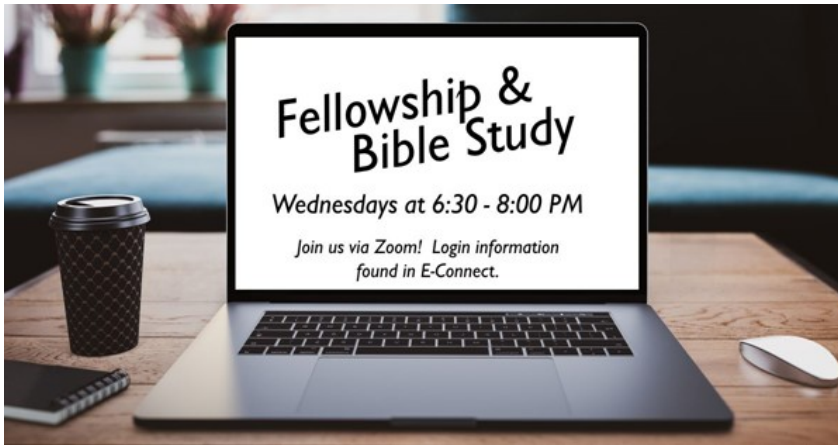




# MESSENGER

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## Wednesday Night Fellowship and Bible Study

Each Wednesday night for the month of September we will host Fellowship, Bible Study and Prayer Time over Zoom. Fellowship will be 6:30-7:00 PM for everyone to catch up. Bible Study and Prayer Time led by one of our Ministers will take place from 7:00-8:00 PM. Zoom link will be located each week in Pritchard E-Connect (our weekly announcement email). To receive E-Connect, sign-up at: [www.pritchardchurch.com](http://www.pritchardchurch.com)

### SCHEDULE:

September 2.....Rev. Bobby Morrow  
 September 9.....Rev. Kristen Tucker  
 September 16.....Rev. Stan Heiser  
 September 23.....**NO Bible Study/Fellowship;**  
 instead join us on location or online to watch Charlotte's Free-  
 dom Cities Awakening <https://freedomcitiesawakening.com/>  
 Rev. Kristen Tucker will preach Thursday evening, September 24  
 September 30.....Rev. David Bailes





## **Rev. Bobby Morrow**

### **Pastor**

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We are still a couple of weeks away from finding out whether we will move to a new stage in the pandemic recovery. We are all praying that we are going to see such drastic changes in the number of Covid cases that we can begin to return to a more normal existence. I don't know if you are like me, but I can't tell you how many times I have gotten to the door of a store or a restaurant to discover I forgot my mask. The return to the car to retrieve it is never a fun trip. I have a good friend I was talking with about the need to wear masks everywhere. He said he wished he could be a kid again during this time. When he was growing up, he wanted to be the Lone Ranger (for all you young whipper snappers, that was a Cowboy Star of our childhood). He wore the Lone Ranger mask everywhere. His Mom always made him take it off before he went in a store. Now he could keep it on and fit right in!

I continue to be grateful for your support of the church during this time. Our budget numbers are strong and that is a testimony to your faithfulness. Those of you who are physically coming to church on Sunday are adding so much to our hour of worship. We miss all of you who have not yet started back, but we are so glad you are still online with us. We can't wait till we can all be safely back together, without restrictions. I am so grateful for our technical staff that is making it possible for you to see our services and stay connected. The addition of Joe Hicks as our AV coordinator has enhanced the product that we are able to stream. We are all so thankful to have him on board with us.

I know that many of you have enjoyed being able to stay at home and watch the services. I have heard from many of you how nice it is to watch in your pajamas with your coffee. Let me just say, that when this virus is gone or under control, your Pastor will be telling you to get off that couch and get back in church! The community we all need cannot be obtained or sustained when we are separated. There is something wonderful about being in the presence of those that have a common purpose for life. Brothers and sisters in Christ gain so much from being together. We learn of each other's needs, concerns, struggles, and successes. We support in times of need and we rejoice in times of joy. We live life together. Our journey is made easier when we have the encouragement and support of others. We need to be together to grow closer to each other and I believe then closer to God.

When this pandemic ends, there are going to be many people seeking something that cannot be taken from them by a health or financial crisis. They are going to want to find the answer to real living that we have found in Jesus. They will not find that connection to what we know by watching at home. They will need to experience the joy of Jesus in the life of someone they can see and get to know. That will be you and me. When you feel comfortable, I encourage you to return to church. Come join those who are using safe practices but are celebrating their relationship with Christ in person. I cannot wait to see all of you back with us soon. And if it makes you feel better, come in your pajamas and bring your coffee!

In His Love, Bobby Morrow



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## NCBAM/AAIM

(NC Baptist Aging Ministry & Aging Adults Innovative Ministries)  
 PRESENTS

### ***"The New Normal"***

**A Virtual State Leadership Conference**

**Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00 AM-1:00 PM**

Live streamed from our Sanctuary at Pritchard,  
 plus live Google Hangouts discussions after each speaker!

**Speakers:** Rev. Stan Heiser, Dr. Sandy Gregory,  
 Dr. Michael C. Blackwell, Whitney Brooks, Dr. Don Gilbert.

If you have heard it once during the past six months, you've heard it a thousand times. *"This is the new normal"* has become the buzzword of the moment. But for many folks 65+, this so-called "new normal" is anything but. Senior adults, especially vulnerable to the devastating effects of Covid-19, have been advised to quarantine at home. Friends, families and caregivers have also received marching orders to keep their distance - intensifying another existing and ongoing epidemic: loneliness and social isolation.

So, the new normal. NEW? Nope. NORMAL? Think again.

#### **Session One:**

*"The New Normal"* led by **Whitney Brooks**, NBC-HWC through Duke Integrative Medicine, will lead us to see how life in the age of the coronavirus is anything but normal for senior adults, and how the church can play a role in creating a positive and effective "new normal" - one that fosters genuine and meaningful connection, purpose and well-being among seniors.

#### **Session Two:**

*"Communication Technology Ideas for Covid Times"* by **Dr. Don Gilbert** (recorded). Dr. Gilbert is the Care and Senior Pastor at Bay Leaf Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC. Technology can be a real helper in these difficult times. This session will demonstrate some of the most common tools to help seniors maintain and grow relationships with their church, their family, and their friends. Dr. Gilbert will not only demonstrate Facetime, Zoom and Google Meet, but will also show how they can be used effectively in your church's ministry to seniors.

*(continued in next column.....)*

#### **Session Three:**

Keynote address *"In Between Times"* by **Dr. Michael Blackwell** (recorded), President/CEO Baptist Children's Homes of NC and founder of NCBAM.

Join us live at Pritchard or livestream to explore a more inclusive model of ministry that offers greater connectedness and fosters spiritual growth while maintaining and growing relationships even from home. To livestream, connect to: [NCBAM.org](http://NCBAM.org)

Blessings! Stan Heiser



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#### **Join the Virtual Choir**

As the Covid pandemic continues, the choir will not be gathering to sing for the foreseeable future.

Therefore, we will continue to produce our virtual choir video recordings. We have now completed four videos with more to come, including music for Christmas.

Perhaps you have wanted to be in the choir but have been unable to be at Wednesday night practice.

Why not join our virtual choir! The music and track will be emailed to you along with how-to instructions and a link to upload your finished video to Dropbox. This is a wonderful way to connect and engage in our music and worship ministry.

Please email me ([dbailes@pritchardchurch.com](mailto:dbailes@pritchardchurch.com)) and I'll send you the information.

By the way, this also goes for our orchestra. If you play an instrument and want to participate in the next orchestra video, please let me know!



Every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM we have a Prayer Time (over Zoom) for our community and new service that will launch

late Fall 2020 called OVERFLOW. The zoom link will be located each week in Pritchard E-Connect (our weekly announcement email). To receive E-Connect, sign-up at: [www.pritchardchurch.com](http://www.pritchardchurch.com)





**Rev. Brack Ballard**  
**Minister to Youth**  
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I am praying for you and the start of a new school year.

As many of you know, the start of Overflow has been postponed. As a result of this and the governor's continuation of Phase 2, our youth council has met and agreed on a temporary schedule (until TBA). Please see the updated calendar below.

We will be kicking off our Wednesday night **Zoom Youth Group** sessions on September 2! These will be very similar to our sessions in the Spring, but will be for Middle and High School together from 7:00-8:15 PM. We will play games, have a Bible study, and then break out into small groups for discussion. Our activities held once a month on Saturdays will be an opportunity for everyone to come together and fellowship!

Again, this schedule is only temporary and our original schedule will resume with the start of Overflow. Please let me know if you all need ANYTHING as you begin this new school year!

Blessings,  
 Rev. Brack Ballard

#### September

09/02/20 (Wed)	Midweek Zoom Youth Group
09/09/20 (Wed)	Midweek Zoom Youth Group
09/16/20 (Wed)	Midweek Zoom Youth Group
09/23/20 (Wed)	Midweek Zoom Youth Group
09/26/20 (Sat)	Activity
09/30/20 (Wed)	Midweek Zoom Youth Group

## Thrift Store Re-opening Date

The Thrift Store volunteers are waiting and hoping for that day when it is safe to open. We have heard that some of our customers are ready to shop. But, the time is not right for that to happen. We do not want to put the volunteers or their family members at risk, nor our customers, by opening when we cannot promise proper screening, social distancing and constant cleaning behind the customers in such a small space. Bear with us and just as soon as it is possible, we will open.

Brenda and Nancy



**Sherry Shaw**  
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I am missing being with all our families and children during this time! However, I am thankful for those of you who are connecting your children with us via Zoom on Sundays! Love being able to hear about what they have been doing, as well as, sharing their prayer requests and interacting with them about the Bible story lessons we are doing.

**Congratulations** to our rising first and sixth graders: Molly Hewitt, Jackson Rogers, Noah Henderson and Caden Self.

#### Pritchard Kids Clubhouse:

Clubhouse will be kicking off virtually September 9. This will be like our Virtual VBS. We will be uploading a video for your children to watch and interact with as well as having a memory verse to work on and songs to learn. This will be posted to our Pritchard Kids at South End Public Facebook page via the Units tab, just like we did for VBS.

So be on the lookout for more information about this!

#### Pritchard Kids Blog!

We have a blog now!! [pritchardkids.blogspot.com](https://pritchardkids.blogspot.com). There will be articles and updates, developmental tools and insights for babies through 5<sup>th</sup> graders to equip and assist parents as they parent not only their child's physical, emotional and mental lives, but also them spiritually.

#### Fine Arts Academy:

Did you know about the classes our South End Fine Arts academy offers? Go to our website <https://pritchardchurch.com/fine-arts/> and check out all the things your child can learn and do! This year there is an opportunity for adults, so check that out as well!

#### Kids Bible Study kicks off a new Unit in September: What Should I Do?

This unit will help children learn how they should live.

Lesson One: Tell the Truth  
 Lesson Two: Help Other People  
 Lesson Three: Put God First  
 Lesson Four: Set an Example

Join us on Sundays via Zoom at 9 AM! If you can't join us, then look for the study information on our Pritchard Kids Facebook Page.

## Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup

September has long been designated as Food Roundup month for our North Carolina Baptist Children's Homes. They are in need of food this year now more than ever. The shelves are becoming bare and we need to help remedy that situation.

During the month of September, we will be collecting food for the Children's Homes. We will put our bins out each day so that you can drop your donations off at the church. We are switching our food collection focus from Barringer to the Children's Homes because of their great need right now. Ralph and Jean Milford have joined with other Baptists from across our state each October as they sort and organize these collections. We want to do our part in making sure they have enough on-hand to take care of these children for the entire year. Please add this worthy cause to your shopping list.



## Hike to Honor David Withrow

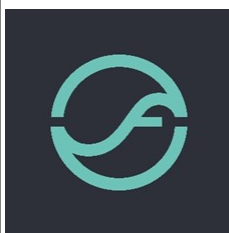
Upon hearing of David Withrow's passing, several people suggested a great way to remember him would be to have a churchwide hike in his honor. The staff felt like that was an incredible idea. On Saturday, October 24 we will sponsor a hike at South Mountain to honor David's memory. Marilyn Withrow and her family are all in agreement that David would have loved the idea. We will be providing more details as the time gets closer. Please put this on your calendar for October and plan to share the day with us.

## Stewardship Update

Revenues & Expenses – Summary  
JULY 2020

	MTD Actual	MTD Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$118,604	\$122,349	\$839,705	\$909,849
Total Expenses	\$101,406	\$128,113	\$771,994	\$895,712
Net Total	\$17,198	-\$5,764	\$67,711	\$14,137

Pritchard Memorial showed a profit of \$17,198 for the month of July. Our year-to-date net total is a positive \$67,711.



# OVERFLOW

SOUTH END

SEPTEMBER UPDATE

Pritchard Church Family:

First, I would like to THANK YOU for your kind words and support as Overflow went into "delay" this month. We are eager for Governor Cooper's next report mid-September. But more importantly, we are very excited to WAIT IN HOPE of God's perfect timing for the launch of Overflow. GOD IS IN CONTROL!!

You have our word that we are praying for God to show us the launch date of His choosing and we are working hard while we wait! When we know the next "soft launch date(s)" and the official launch date of Overflow, YOU will be the first to know!

**As a reminder, for our "soft launch" this is what we will need from you:**

- Invite your family and friends to attend the soft launch date once announced. **Overflow Kids will start at 4:45 PM; Overflow will start at 5:05 PM. Everything will conclude by 6:15 PM.**
- 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.
- Completely act like this is your first time at Pritchard. Allow Legacy Team Members to direct you and answer your questions.
- Wear a mask, practice social distancing, and continue to wash/sanitize your hands.

**Things to look for:**

- Are our directional signs helpful or confusing?
- Were our Legacy Team members nice, welcoming, and informative? This would be in the parking lots, Gym and at Overflow Kids.
- Was the music one that offers thought and reflection:
  - for those that don't know God and who God is?
  - for believers, was the music a way to worship?
- Was the message a good mix of information for nonbelievers and believers?
- 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?
- What did your children say they did/experienced at Overflow Kids?

Our service will be 40-45 minutes and then we will receive your thoughts before ending.

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

Rev. Kristen Tucker

# PRITCHARD PULPIT

10:30 AM WORSHIP

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

**SERMON:** "MIRACLES IN THE MESSES"

**SCRIPTURE:** HABAKKUK 3:17-18

REV. KRISTEN TUCKER

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

**SERMON:** "DON'T THROW OUT THE BABY  
WITH THE BATH WATER"

REV. BOBBY MORROW

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

**SERMON:** "WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO FOR YOU?"

**SCRIPTURE:** LUKE 18:35-42

REV. BOBBY MORROW

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

**SERMON:** "THE UNEXPECTED BEHAVIOR"

**SCRIPTURE:** LUKE 10:25-37

REV. BOBBY MORROW



## Sanctuary Flowers

**Sunday, September 13**

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in loving honor of The Reverend and Mrs. Bobby Morrow in celebration of April's birthday today and Bobby's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary with Pritchard.

We love you! Hope and David

**Sunday, September 20**

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Geraldine Price's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday. They are placed by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

**Sunday, September 27**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sylvia Childers and Jackie Pettit on their birthdays. They are placed by Allen and Sandy Childers.



## From the Media Center

by Katrina Gore

### The Benefits of Reading Books...

Reading books can benefit children and adults. It can positively affect your life. Reading can benefit your physical and mental health AND those benefits can last a lifetime. Below are just some of the many benefits of reading:

#### Reading:

- builds your vocabulary
- strengthens your brain
- reduces stress
- aids sleep
- helps alleviate depression
- prevents age related cognitive decline
- lengthens lifespan

**PICK UP A BOOK AND START READING TODAY!**

## Pritchard at South End

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



**Avoid  
Handshakes  
and Hugs**

**Masks are  
MANDATORY**





### **Tuesday, September 1**

3:00 PM—Afternoon Bible Study Group  
10:00 AM—Women on Mission (ZOOM)  
6:00 PM—Personnel Meeting (ZOOM)

### **Wednesday, September 2**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Carolina Steak House)  
7:00 PM—Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Thursday, September 3**

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Americana)

### **Friday, September 4**

### **Saturday, September 5**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Sunday, September 6**

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)  
10:30 AM—Worship Service

### **Monday, September 7....LABOR DAY**

Church Office/Campus closed

### **Tuesday, September 8**

### **Wednesday, September 9**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Carolina Steak House)  
7:00 PM—Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Thursday, September 10**

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Americana)

### **Friday, September 11**

### **Saturday, September 12**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Sunday, September 13**

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)  
10:30 AM—Worship Service

### **Monday, September 14**

6:00 PM—Deacons Meeting (ZOOM)

### **Tuesday, September 15**

### **Wednesday, September 16**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Carolina Steak House)  
7:00 PM—Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Thursday, September 17**

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Americana)

### **Friday, September 18**

### **Saturday, September 19**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Sunday, September 20**

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)  
10:30 AM—Worship Service

### **Monday, September 21**

6:00 PM—Christian Ed Meeting (ZOOM)

### **Tuesday, September 22**

### **Wednesday, September 23**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Carolina Steak House)  
7:00 PM—Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Thursday, September 24**

6:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Americana)

### **Friday, September 25**

### **Saturday, September 26**

7:00 PM—Online Bible Study (ZOOM)

### **Sunday, September 27**

9:00 AM—Corporate Prayer Time (ZOOM)  
10:30 AM—Worship Service

### **Monday, September 28**

### **Tuesday, September 29**

10:00 AM-1:00 PM—NCBAM & Aging Adults Innovative Ministries "The New Normal" Virtual State Leadership Conference

### **Wednesday, September 30**

6:30-7:30 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast (Carolina Steak House)  
7:00 PM—Bible Study (ZOOM)

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**\*\*\*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 Hawkins and family in the passing of her brother, Cecil Frisbee.  
~ Peggy Spence and family in the passing of her sister, Jimmie Sue Smith.  
~ Becky Black, Carolyn Bolin and their families in the passing of their cousin, Sam Beam, due to Covid.

## Note of Thanks

Thank you just does not seem like enough to say to my Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church family. The passing of Beverly Santora, my mother, was a surprise to all of us. But I told mother a long time ago that when she was gone my church family would be there for myself and Robert. Sure enough you have been. The phone calls, texts, food and contributions to the memorial fund have been overwhelming. Mother loved her church, the people and the staff and would be touched by your kindness to us. Thank you again.

Love,  
Lisia and Robert Shaw

Please join us for a

## Drive-by Celebration

for

Geraldine Price's 98<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Geraldine will be in the upper parking lot  
Saturday, September 19  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Cards only, please.

RSVP to Debbie  
at 704-365-2216 if you will be able to join us.

## Birth Announcements

Congratulations to Jared and Jamie Winkler on the birth of their son, Cadence, on August 4.

Congratulations to Wilson and Mekenzie Lemly on the arrival of a baby girl, Harper, on July 27.

## Staff Anniversary

Congratulations to Dewight Little, our Grounds Keeper, who is celebrating his first anniversary at Pritchard! He joined our staff on September 9, 2019. Dewight, thank you for keeping our grounds looking sharp and for helping James! We love and appreciate you!

*"We give thanks to God always for you...."*  
1 Thessalonians 1:2



### By Baptism:

Miss Elizabeth Mazingo  
(Daughter of Brent and Tanya Mazingo)



### By Statement:

Mr. Gary Huhnerkoch  
(Husband of Debra Huhnerkoch)

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