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FAMILY FUN! **POPCORN COTTON CANDY**



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We were joking in staff meeting about all the exciting things we have going on in October here at Pritchard. We thought that the announcement video might have to be longer than the sermon time! It is so good for us to be able to focus on some positive opportunities instead of having to list the things we are unable to enjoy.

On October 9th we are going to have a churchwide workday at the Lake Lodge. We have been working for the last several months to rehab this wonderful asset that the church owns. This work day will allow us to get a significant amount of work done so that we can hopefully finish and dedicate the building before the end of 2021. Lunch will be provided for everyone who volunteers and if the weather cooperates, we may even get a little swimming in at the end of the day. Overflow will be suspended so that everyone can be at this event. We will have an Overflow devotional at the lake.

Our annual Tailgate Service will take place on the 17th with a meal to follow. You will not want to miss this special day. We are always excited about sharing with those who pass by our message of love. (If the Panthers can keep winning we might be able to count on a larger crowd). You are encouraged to wear your Panther gear, or we grudgingly allow, your favorite team's gear. This is always a great time to worship in full view for the world to see.

We have a Star Gazing Party and our Fall Festival that will bring many guests to our property. This will allow us to share some of that famous Pritchard hospitality with our neighbors. There will be plenty of opportunities for you to serve during that time. The Community Connect Committee will be enlisting your help very shortly. You will see the schedule for those events listed elsewhere in this Messenger.

Our youth will be leading worship on October 24th. We have combined that with Graduate Recognition some in the past, but this year we want that Sunday to stand on its own. Our youth are so very capable and every time they lead we get to see the value of Brack's leadership with these young people. I know you will be impressed as they take these major leadership roles in our worship. You will want to plan to be here to support them on that day.

Overflow will be adding some excitement to their events too during this month. Kristen and Kayley have planned some unique experiences for us and it will make for some awesome worship opportunities. If you haven't been attending, this would be a great month to get started. We would love to see our numbers grow dramatically during October. You can be part of making that happen.

I pray that you will want to be engaged in all that is taking place here at your church. If you have not been coming, we need you back. It is time for all of us to reengage in person. I hope to see each of you in worship and at these special events!

In His Love, Bobby Morrow



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The Best Place to be is Together with the SWEET SPIRITS!

Attention everyone age 50 and above! Join us for an exciting new program "Sweet Spirits" beginning Wednesday, October 27 from 11:15 AM-1:15 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This is a dream of the Sweet Spirits Committee headed by Maxine Drake and Teri Sigmon. We have prayed that this is exactly what this age group in our church and community needs. We'll have outstanding entertainment of all types, a time of singing old timey songs, and a home cooked meal each time we meet (which will be monthly). However, with the pandemic still intact, we are not allowed to cook and serve meals in the church. So on October 27, we will only serve packaged snacks and soft drinks. We encourage everyone to have their Covid vaccine, wear your mask and to social distance as much as possible. Our guest speaker Howard Setzer, a former policeman, will give us safety tips in case of an emergency. He presents this program in a fun and informative way. You will not want to miss his presentation! We hope that you will make plans to be at our inaugural first program. **RESERVATIONS** are required. Call the Church Office to sign up. There will be a small charge to attend which will cover the snacks and the guest speaker. More details will be announced prior to October 27. Let's concentrate on love and fellowship! We need all of you (age 50+) to join us! It is time to come back to church for some fun, fellowship with folks you haven't seen since the start of the pandemic, enjoy some delicious snacks, learn something that you can apply to your daily life, and become one of the first SWEET SPIRITS at Pritchard!!!

"Christmas in the Mountains" Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre in Wytheville, Virginia

Forty tickets have been reserved for Saturday, November 27. Our church has made this a favorite Thanksgiving weekend trip for the entire family for many years now. Join us as we journey up the mountain on Interstate 77 to picturesque Wytheville, Virginia and historic Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre! Here, we will be magically brought into the Christmas spirit/season once again! We'll travel by Christian Tours on one of their special 58 passenger motorcoaches. When we arrive, we'll sit down to a 4 course holiday dinner before we are completely immersed in the Christmas season as presented by the talented musical entertainers. The theme this year is "Christmas in the Mountains." As always, a wonderful Broadway musical/drama will dazzle us with all old and new Christmas songs along with a fun-filled production that features a breathtaking nativity. The cost is \$85 per person which includes transportation, 4 course holiday dinner and the fabulous Christmas musical/drama presentation.

We will leave Pritchard at 8:30 AM (from the back parking lot behind the Shoemaker Music Building). We'll arrive at Wohlfahrt Haus by Noon and return to Pritchard by 8:00 that evening. Just to let you know, Wohlfahrt Haus and Christian Tours motorcoaches have received awards from the states of Virginia and North Carolina for their safe environments and cleanliness during Covid. Your health and safety is their top priority. If you would like to go, please let me know BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24. You can sign up on Realm or call the Church Office. I will need to determine if we will have enough interest to charter a Christian Tours motorcoach and to keep our reservations at Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre.

I hope you will join us for this fun day trip! Remember, the trip is open to ALL ages. We always love watching the joy of the day through the eyes of children, youth and adults!

I look forward to seeing you soon!!!

Blessings, Stan





Rev. Brack Ballard Minister to Youth and College-Aged Students

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Hi Pritchard Family! Can you believe it is October?! My favorite month of the year! We have some exciting things planned for our youth program including youth group, Bible study, Scarowinds, Fall Festival, Youth Sunday, and a costume party! On Youth Sunday, our own Grace Grady will be preaching. We do have Youth Council and we meet every Wednesday evening on Zoom the same week as Deacons meetings. Youth schedule - Saturday 10/2: Youth Group, Wednesday 10/6: Midweek Zoom Devotions, Saturday 10/9: Youth Group, Saturday 10/16: Scarowinds, Sunday 10/17: Tailgate Worship, Wednesday 10/20: Youth Council Meeting, Saturday 10/23: Fall Festival, Sunday 10/24: Youth Sunday, Saturday 10/30: Costume Party (in the Loft)

Agape Ministry is off to a strong start this semester! We meet on the 10th and 24th of this month at 7:30 PM on Zoom. In addition, we have both the Tailgate Worship experience along with the Fall Festival. I hope you plan on coming to support both! Agape Ministry schedule - *Sunday 10/10: Small Group (Sunday School), Sunday 10/10: Lunch after Pritchard Sunday Celebration, Sunday 10/17: Tailgate Worship, Saturday 10/23: Fall Festival, Sunday 10/24: Small Group (Sunday School)*

It is going to be an exciting October! I can't wait to see what God has in store! Please mark your calendars and reach out if you need me. I would love to pray for you or support you in any way I can.

FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

by Katrina Gore



Fall is in the air. Fall into reading and leaf through a good book! The following books are all **BRAND NEW** to our Media Center -

Breach of Honor by Janice Cantore

Police officer Leah Radcliff routinely risks her life for others. But at home, her abusive husband, Brad, makes every day a nightmare-until an act of self-defense has deadly consequences. The ensuing investigation reveals Brad's dark side. Who else has broken their sacred oath to serve and protect?

The Curator's Daughter by Melanie Dobson

In the 1940s, Hanna Tillich worked as an archaeologist for the Third Reich, then as a museum curator in Nuremberg. What she discovered put herself and her adopted daughter in great peril.

<u>Trial and Error</u> by Robert Whitlow

Attorney Buddy Smith knows the agony of being separated from a child. After all, his wife ran away with their daughter. That's why court clerk Gracie believes he's a good choice to track down missing 17-year-old Reagan. As he investigates her disappearance, he uncovers strange clues.



FREE PIZZA & STAR PARTY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING OVERFLOW

Come and look through telescopes, setup by Charlotte amateur astronomers to view Jupiter, Saturn, Venus and Uranus, the Earth's moon and the moons of Jupiter!

The Dowd YMCA and Pritchard at South End Parking Deck - Top level. The corner of Lexington Ave. and S. Caldwell St.

Welcome Adam Calderone!

Adam began working at Pritchard last month as our new Recreation Director. Adam is a UConn alum and moved to Charlotte in 2014 for an Americorps Program with Urban Ministry Center. Adam's passions are non profit work and anything fitness related. Adam got connected to Pritchard through the men's basketball league in 2015 and has worked with the league since that time.

Adam's goal for the Recreation Program is to

increase access to all fitness related activities, providing opportunities for adult basketball, softball, kickball, running, and exercise classes. Adam would like to increase youth sports by hosting basketball camps/leagues and getting kids connected to tee ball and soccer. Adam's long term vision is to have church and other community members be able to get memberships to the Overflow Center and turn it into a full recreation center, much like we see at other churches and YMCAs across town.

Adam is a huge UConn basketball and Patriots fan. His favorite foods are pizza, sushi, and steak and favorite restaurants are Beef 'n Bottle and Soul Gastrolounge.

Welcome Kaley Thompson!



While many of you know Kaley as our Overflow band leader, Kaley also has great experience in social media. Kaley joins our staff as Communications Director and will take over the Pritchard and Overflow social media accounts! Do you follow us on social media? WELL, YOU SHOULD! Check out the links below -

https://www.facebook.com/PritchardSouthEnd https://www.instagram.com/PritchardSouthEnd https://www.youtube.com/PritchardatSouthEnd

Kaley studied at Appalachian State and has been in ministry for 18 years. Her favorite color is blue and favorite food is tacos! She and her husband, Gage, live in Fort Mill, SC and have two precious daughters, Lina and Lili.

Have pictures or ideas for our social media? Contact Kaley!

Constitution and By-Laws

Christian Education presented the Vision Committee with a proposal to change the By-Laws as it relates to Section VI. Church Meetings. The Vision Committee is reviewing this request and will bring it to the church for a discussion and vote in conjunction with the October Quarterly Business Meeting. The timing is as follows -Motion presented to the church on Sunday, October 10; discussion of motion on Wednesday, October 12; followed by a church vote on Sunday, October 17. The specific proposed change will be publicized beginning in mid-September.

The Vision Committee



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Pritchard

I'm excited to say that all of our Pritchard Kids have prayerfully been adopted for our Pray For Me Campaign. Families may start to hear from those who will be praying for your child. I'm excited to see and hear about the fruits of these prayers!

This past Sunday, we kicked off Pritchard Kids' C.L.U.B. (Connect, Learn, Understand and Believe). Drop-off begins at 9AM on the first floor. During this time, we will dig deep into the Word, have a time of music/worship, hang time and a missions moment.

If you have not received the Pritchard Kids' calendar, please let me know!



MARRIED PARENTS, SINGLE PARENTS, WAITING-TO-BE PARENTS, **NEW PARENTS. HAPPY PARENTS. FRUSTRATED PARENTS**



Parents of children and teenagers, join us Sundays at 9:15 for treats, fellowship and Bible study, tailored to what you need, as parents,



SATURDAYS Childcare (4:45 - 6:05 PM) Infant - 5th grade

Pritchard Kids' C.L.U.B. (9:00 - 10:20 AM) 4yr old - 5th grade Vorship Care (10:20 -11:30 AM) Infant - Kindergarten

PRITCHARD PULPIT

10:30 AM WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

SERMON: "OUR MISSION"
SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 28:16-20
REV. BOBBY MORROW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

SERMON: "THE POWER OF PERSONAL TESTIMONY"

SCRIPTURE: PHILIPPIANS 1:12-21

REV. BOBBY MORROW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 (TAILGATE SERVICE)

SERMON: "CHRISTIAN BEHAVIOR"

SCRIPTURE: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:12-24

REV. BOBBY MORROW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24 (YOUTH SUNDAY)

MISS GRACE GRADY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

SERMON: "CONFESSION/FORGIVENESS/PURITY"

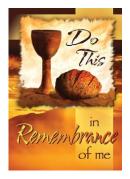
SCRIPTURE: 1 JOHN 1:5-2:2

REV. BOBBY MORROW

Sanctuary Flowers

Sunday, October 3

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of a wonderful mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Evelyn Wilson and in honor of her precious grand-children and great grandchildren.



LORD'S SUPPER Sunday, October 10

Sunday, October 17 - Tailgate Worship Service

Sunday, October 24

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in honor of our ministerial and administrative staff. We praise God for this amazing team and for the difference they make each day at Pritchard. Happy Staff Appreciation month!

Sunday, October 31 - If you are interested in placing flowers in the Sanctuary on this day, please contact Lynn in the Church Office.





Friday, October 1 Saturday, October 2

4:45 PM-6:15 PM—Overflow Kids/Youth

5:05-6:15 PM—Overflow Service

Sunday, October 3

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

Monday, October 4

Tuesday, October 5

10:30 AM—Women on Mission

3:00 PM—Afternoon Bible Study Group (Spence home)

6:30 PM—Fellowship (ZOOM)

7:00 PM—Bible Study and Prayer Time (ZOOM)

Wednesday, October 6

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Thrift Store open

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 7

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

10:30 AM—Sunago Singers

5:30 PM—Lane Sykes' Women's Bible Study

6:00 PM—Nominating Committee Meeting

7:00 PM—Christian Walk

Friday, October 8

Saturday, October 9

8:00 AM-4:00 PM—Lake Lodge Service Day

Sunday, October 10

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

Monday, October 11

6:00 PM—Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, October 12

10:00 AM—See 'n Sew

6:30 PM—Fellowship (ZOOM)

7:00 PM—Quarterly Conference (ZOOM)

Wednesday, October 13

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Thrift Store open

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 14

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

10:30 AM—Sunago Singers

5:30 PM—Lane Sykes' Women's Bible Study

6:00 PM—Nominating Committee Meeting

7:00 PM—Christian Walk

Friday, October 15

Saturday, October 16

2:00 PM—Memorial Service for Carol Taylor

4:45-6:15 PM—Overflow Kids

5:00-10:00 PM—Youth to Scarowinds

5:05-6:15 PM—Overflow Service

6:30 PM—Stargazing Party

Sunday, October 17

10:30 AM—Tailgate Worship (childcare for infants-4 year olds)

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

Monday, October 18

Tuesday, October 19

6:30 PM—Fellowship (ZOOM)

7:00 PM—Bible Study and Prayer Time (ZOOM)

Wednesday, October 20

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Thrift Store open

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 21

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

10:30 AM—Sunago Singers

5:30 PM—Lane Sykes' Women's Bible Study

6:00 PM—Nominating Committee Meeting

Friday, October 22

7:30-9:00 AM—Free Coffee Friday

Saturday, October 23

4:00-6:00 PM—Fall Festival

Sunday, October 24

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

Monday, October 25

Tuesday, October 26

6:30 PM—Fellowship (ZOOM)

7:00 PM—Bible Study and Prayer Time (ZOOM)

Wednesday, October 27

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Thrift Store open

11:15 AM-1:15 PM—Sweet Spirits

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 28

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

10:30 AM—Sunago Singers

5:30 PM—Lane Sykes' Women's Bible Study

6:00 PM—Nominating Committee Meeting

Friday, October 29

Saturday, October 30

4:45-6:15 PM—Overflow Kids

4:45-6:15 PM—Youth Costume Party

5:05-6:15 PM—Overflow Service

Sunday, October 31

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class



We Express Our Love and Heartfelt Sympathy to:

- Jeff Taylor and family in the passing of his mother, Carol Taylor.
- Andrea Landers and family in the passing of her sister, Cheryl Landers.
- Tillie Duncan and family in the passing of her son, Charlene Washburn in the passing of her cousin, Eric Duncan.
- Sylvia Link and family in the passing of her son, Eddie Link.
- Charlene Washburn and family in the passing of her aunt, Raye Scism and her uncle, Jim Hardin.

Correction

In our September publication, we inadvertently listed the wrong last name under the sympathy announcements. It should have read - Rondo and Carolyn McIntosh in the passing of their son; Jeff and Anita Childers in the passing of her brother, Rondo McIntosh IV. We apologize to the McIntosh and Taft families.

Birth Announcements

Pritchard celebrates the birth of Baker Worth Speas, son of Matt and Meredith Speas, born September 4. He weighed 9 lbs. 1 oz. and was 21.5" long. Big sister is Lillian. Grandparents are Randy and Lynn Allen

Pritchard also celebrates the birth of Diana Opal Vaughn, daughter of Ben and Stacey Allred Vaughn, born September 21. She weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. and was 21" long. Grandmother is Karen Allred.



Welcometo Our New Member!

By Statement:

James Hutcheson

Note of Thanks

To our wonderful friends at Pritchard Memorial -

We will never be able to thank you for all the love you gave to us during the seven years our sweet son, Rondo IV, suffered with cancer. Thank you for all the prayers and the words you said to us to help us with our faith. He is now in Heaven and in no more pain. God bless each and everyone of you.

Love and prayers, Rondo and Carolyn McIntosh ~ God's got this ~

Crop Walk for World Hunger

Mark your calendars now for Crop Walk on Sunday, November 7. This year, the walk will be totally virtual (no actual walk through uptown Charlotte). Envelopes and forms for donations will be available around the church buildings and in the office. Donations can also be made on Realm. Let's make this a banner year for a most worthwhile event!

Stewardship Update: August 2021 Revenues and Expenses Summary

Total Revenues Total Expenses Net Total MTD Actual \$149,587 \$104,549 \$45,038 MTD Budget \$98,716 \$113,267 \$-14,551 **YTD Actual** \$951,367 \$884,245 \$67,122

YTD Budget \$883,062 \$943,793 \$-60,731

Pritchard Memorial shows a profit of \$45,038 for the month of August 2021 and for the year of \$67,122...

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