



PRITCHARD
at South End

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MESSENGER

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Pritchard South End

Christmas Musical CELEBRATION

FEATURING

Special Guest Steve Amerson and
Laurie Gayle Stevenson
Celebration Choir and Orchestra

Sunday, December 5
10:30 AM





Rev. Bobby Morrow *Pastor*

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On Sunday morning, October 17th Kristen Tucker shared with us the news of God's call to a new place of service. Smithfield First Baptist Church has called Kristen as their Pastor. I do not personally know any of the members of FBC Smithfield, but I can confidently say they are insightful, wise and spiritually discerning because of the choice they have made (my flesh would like to say some negative things about them because they have stolen our Kristen, but I will refrain). They have listened to God's leadership in their search, and He has answered their prayers by sending them Kristen. My Dad always told me, "God calls you into ministry, but the local church calls you into service." We are Baptists, so we know that there are some in our ranks that would question calling a woman as Pastor. Smithfield has shown courage and commitment as they have been willing to follow where God has led. We know what a gift God has blessed them with. We know what joy they are about to feel as they discover the Kristen we know. From the first day she arrived, she poured out her love on us. It was not forced or faked, but genuine in every way. She participated in everything we offered our community and invested in South End for seven years. She taught, she preached, and she led from a life completely sold out to faith in her Savior. I can't help but be excited for them. We will miss Kristen desperately. She has served tirelessly in our midst and we have benefitted so greatly from her energy, her spiritual fervor and her love. She will not be forgotten here. We will pray for her and for Smithfield constantly. Her influence will remain firmly planted in all of our lives. She will always be a part of Pritchard.

God clearly chose to send Kristen and her immense talents to Smithfield. He had a plan for her. Kristen will tell you she is simply following that plan. He also has a plan for Pritchard. He knew long before we did that Kristen would be moving to a new opportunity. He knows already what we need and who should be leading us to meet those needs. I trust Him. The same God that sent us Kristen is in charge of what is next. We clearly have a lot more to accomplish. I see incredible things on the horizon. God is moving among us in new and exciting ways. I can't wait to see what He has in store.

Kristen and Bob Riggins shared a common vision with us that led to the establishment of Overflow. And the blessings we have received from that have been tremendous. We have baptized more new believers in the past twelve months than in any one year in my tenure as your Pastor. And the fields are still white unto harvest. Overflow introduced us to opportunities we did not know existed for us. And this is just the beginning. This vision will live on as we continue to follow the direction God is leading us! I believe we haven't yet really seen what He can do. I pray that you will join me in recommitting to the ministry and mission of Pritchard. We need you if we are going to be all that God wants us to be. Maybe you haven't been as involved as you once were. Maybe you have not been in attendance in a while. We need you. Join us as we attempt to serve our Lord together in our community for another 120 years!

In His Love, Bobby Morrow

120th Anniversary Celebration

The Campus Connect Committee was all set to plan and promote our Homecoming and 120 year Celebration, and then Covid spiked. When we were required to return to wearing masks, the Committee decided that a Homecoming where nobody could tell who anyone else was wouldn't work very well. They are postponing that celebration until the Spring where we hope we can really celebrate. We do still have a special treat in store for you though on November 14th. Joey Tucker, Kristen's dad, will be preaching that day. He will actually be sharing the pulpit with Kristen. In light of her recent announcement, it will give us all one more opportunity to have her lead in worship. We can't wait to welcome Joey here and get to see he and Kristen share the pulpit. I know you will want to be here to show your support and love to Kristen on her final official day with us!



Rev. Stan Heiser

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NCBAM AAIM: Fall Regional Gathering *"Renewing Our Faith: Loneliness and Grief in a Time of Crisis"* November 2-4

Our keynote speakers will be Dr. Sherrie Lee, Education Coordinator at Hospice and Palliative Care of Iredell County and Samantha Allred, North Central Regional Director of NCBAM.

Grief is one of the most difficult emotions to process and can be compounded by loneliness. Over the past two years, most of us have experienced grief related to the death of a loved one or friend, the loss of a job or relationship, or a change to our beloved traditions. We will explore how to renew our faith in God while experiencing loneliness or grief.

I will also be leading as the AAIM Chair welcoming and encouraging attendees and providing updates on AAIM (Aging Adults Innovating Ministry). Each event will also include devotions, regional highlights, questions and answers, and an overview of how NCBAM can support your senior adult ministry.

Regional Meeting Dates: November 2-Central Regional Gathering from 10:00-11:30 AM; November 3-West Regional Gathering from 10:00-11:30 AM; November 4-East Regional Gathering from 1:00-2:30 PM. To register, go online to:

ncbam.org/events and register for any date that best suits you in any area of the state. Our area is the Central Regional Gathering. All meetings are the same except for local AAIM information.

"Sweet Spirits" News

Calling all adults 50 and above! Have you heard the news? Our second Sweet Spirit meeting will be Wednesday, November 17 from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. A delicious home cooked meal is being planned for this day. Our guest entertainer will be five time Grammy award winner Ken Turner. Ken is the former Blackwood Brothers Quartet bass singer. Make your plans to join us! CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE to make your reservation no later than November 10. More information coming.

Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre

Come go with us to Wytheville, Virginia nestled in the Appalachian mountains of Southwest Virginia as they present their Christmas musical/drama "Christmas In the Mountains" on Saturday, November 27. At this special place, we will be magically brought into the Christmas spirit/season once again! We'll travel by Christian Tours on one of their comfortable 57 passenger motor coaches. When we arrive, we'll sit down in the beautiful tiered theatre to a four course holiday meal prepared by the Wohlfahrt Haus chef, then we'll be completely immersed in the Christmas season as presented by the talented musical entertainers. As always, a wonderful Broadway musical/drama will dazzle us with all the old and new Christmas songs along with a fun-filled production that features a breathtaking nativity re-enactment.

The cost is \$85 per person which includes transportation, a four course meal and a delicious dessert at intermission, and the fabulous Christmas musical/drama "Christmas In the Mountains" presentation. If you would like to go, please let me know by Sunday, November 14.

Blessings, Stan



Overflow FITNESS CENTER

Church members are invited to workout through the end of 2021 for FREE!

M: 12PM-4PM

T, W, TH: 10AM-4PM

F: 10AM-2PM

Pritchard at South End - 1117 South Blvd. - Overflow Center

For more information, contact Adam Calderone
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AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT

- 4 STATIONARY BIKES
- 2 ELLIPTICALS
- 1 TREADMILL
- 5-50LB DUMBBELLS & BENCH
- KETTLEBALLS & MEDICINE BALLS
- LEG PRESS & LEG EXTENSION MACHINES
- MULTI PULL MACHINE
- MULTI PRESS MACHINE
- BASIC EXERCISE PRESS/PULL MACHINE
- MULTIPLE ROWING MACHINES
- BANDS & JUMP ROPES





Rev. Brack Ballard

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Hi Pritchard family! Can you believe it is November?! Hard to believe that on November 2nd I will be celebrating 7 years at Pritchard (2014) with a 9 month sabbatical. There were a lot of changes announced this past month from our church. In addition to the changes, the Youth Council met and has decided to move Youth Group to Sunday mornings (Sunday School hour) to align with our churches mission in bringing our families back to Sunday morning. Our students have regularly attended Saturday evening Youth Group. Unfortunately, after the hour on Saturdays, they would go home and not return on Sunday morning for worship. I started to pray about this a few weeks ago because God laid it on my heart to align Youth Group with a worship opportunity for them. Please look at the new schedule below and save the dates!

11/7: Youth Group First Sunday Breakfast; 11/12: Youth Group Turkey Bowling/Thanksgiving Family Feast; 11/14: Youth Group; 11/17: Youth Council Meeting; 11/21: Youth Group; 11/28: Thanksgiving/Fall Break (No youth group).

Agape Ministry is continuing to go well! This month we will meet on the 7th and 21st at 7:30 PM on Zoom.

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



Rev. David Bailes

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Christmas Musical Celebration

Plan to join us for our Christmas Musical Celebration on Sunday, December 5 at 10:30 AM, featuring special guests Steve Amerson and Laurie Gayle Stevenson, along with our Celebration Choir and Orchestra, sharing a variety of many of your festive Christmas favorites.

Steve Amerson has been called America's Tenor. He has done numerous recording projects and has performed hundreds of concerts at churches and other venues. Steve has also lent his vocal talents to the recordings of dozens of motion picture sound tracks. For the last several years, Steve has traveled from his home in Los Angeles to provide music leadership for a bi-monthly, bi-partisan worship service for members of congress in the US Capitol Building.

Steve has teamed with Soprano Laurie Gayle Stevenson presenting concerts in churches and civic venues where they sing both sacred songs and music from the Broadway stage. Among Laurie Gayle's credits are a number of appearances on Broadway, including the starring role as Christine in The Phantom of the Opera for two years.

It is a tremendous opportunity for Pritchard to host this dynamic vocal team. Please share the news with friends and family!



CHAIR YOGA

EVERY TUESDAY at 10AM

\$5 per class. Masks required until you are at your chair.

**Pritchard at South End - 1117 South Blvd.
Overflow Center (Gymnasium)**

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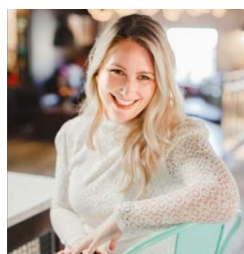
Operation Christmas Child

Boxes can be found on the first and third floors of the Williams Center, Sanctuary lobby (near Solomon Chapel), Gathering Place, and in the Overflow Center lobby. Please return your filled box(es) to the Church Office during **COLLECTION WEEK: November 14-21. REMEMBER:** No candy, toothpaste, war toys, play guns or liquids. If you are purchasing soap, please note that only Ivory soap is accepted. If you have questions, please contact Lisia Shaw.



Sunday, November 7

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



Rev. Kristen Tucker

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Seven years ago, I entered a new land. A land of people I fell in love with very quickly. I remember when moving here to Charlotte, in my quiet times, I felt God nudging me to be present by "DATING PRITCHARD," "DATING SOUTH END," and "DATING CHARLOTTE." At first, I thought, "What a strange notion that cannot possibly be from the Holy Spirit." Then one day I got it. I had a life in Wilmington, NC; friends in Wilmington, NC, but if I went back every weekend to Wilmington then I would miss the amazing opportunities of getting to know you and my city.

Our relationship grew Pritchard. It grew into a marriage. How do I know? Because you would tell me how blessed you were to have me and that "you needed me" and my response EVERY TIME is I am the one blessed and I NEEDED YOU! While it is November and the Christmas Winter Wonderland Hallmark movies are beginning, the love we share is nothing in comparison!

I want EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU to know you are my church, and more importantly, you are my family that taught me the LOVE Jesus used and God still uses today: AGAPE love. Agape love is unconditional; a love that exists whether we see eye-to-eye or have a miscommunication; a love that seeks godly wisdom and does not hold grudges; a love that exists between the Bridegroom and His Church!

Even though I am now called to another town and church, our love will not die because of the POWER and LOVE of Jesus Christ. I want you to know I am ALWAYS a phone call, text or visit away. My cell is 919-632-6684 and my new address is 414 S. First St. Smithfield, NC 27577. I love you dearly and thank you for believing in me these past seven years!

STILL On the journey TOGETHER,

Kristen Tucker

From the Media Center by Katrina Gore

BE THANKFUL for our Media Center. Reading can be fun and even good for you. The Media Center is now open.

Tip: Forget your Bible? Run in and borrow one. We have several copies in the Media Center.

Tip: What are BB finds? These are books highlighted on our bulletin board in the Gathering Place. Many are located at the check-out desk in the Media Center, so you don't have to search for them.

Tip: Did you know that we have magazines in the Media Center? Stop by and catch up on the latest issues of your favorite magazines.

PRITCHARD PULPIT

10:30 AM WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

SERMON: "NO CONDEMNATION"

SCRIPTURE: ROMANS 8:1-8

REV. BOBBY MORROW

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

SERMON: "WE ARE MESSENGERS"

SCRIPTURE: 1 CORINTHIANS 3:5-9

REV. JOEY TUCKER AND REV. KRISTEN TUCKER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

SERMON: "HUMILITY AND GRATITUDE
COME FROM A COMMON ATTITUDE"

SCRIPTURE: 1 PETER 5:5B-11

REV. BOBBY MORROW

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SERMON: "A DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS"

SCRIPTURE: JOHN 1:1-14

REV. BOBBY MORROW

Sanctuary Flowers

Sunday, November 7

The flowers on the altar table are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Talmadge Price on his birthday. They are also in honor and memory of all the men and women who have and are serving in our military to secure our freedom. We thank you for your service and sacrifice. They are placed by his wife Geraldine Price and their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.



NOVEMBER SCHEDULE:

11/2: Jeff Rogers

11/9: Bobby Morrow

11/16: Keith Davis

11/23: THANKSGIVING WEEK (NO MEETING)

11/30: Budget Discussion

Current By-Law Language in Section VI. CHURCH MEETINGS; Section 1 Worship Services

The church shall meet regularly each Sunday morning and Wednesday evening for preaching, instruction, evangelism and for the worship of the Almighty God. These meetings will be for the membership of the Church and for all people and shall be conducted under the direction of the Pastor. Any changes will be approved by the Church Council.

By-Law Change Presentation at the end of worship 10/10/21

Bob Morgan: "At the July Quarterly Business Meeting, the subject of when the church is meeting and when the By-Laws state meetings are to occur was discussed. From that discussion, a change request has been presented to Vision. The change request modification is for Section 1 Worship Services under Church Meetings and expands the days that the Church 'shall meet' from just Sundays and Wednesdays to any day of the week. It also opens the door for these meetings to be open for All People, members and guests and said meetings can be conducted by the Pastor and/or designated guests or invited leaders."

Bob Morgan: "The proposed change reads as follows; **'The church shall meet regularly each Sunday morning and during the week for preaching, instruction, evangelism and for the worship of the Almighty God. These meetings will be for all people (members & guests) and shall be conducted under the direction of the Pastor, and/or designated guests/invited leaders.'**"

Bob Morgan: "I would like to make a motion to approve the requested change to the By-Laws."

Perry Holland: "A 'Second' is requested by the meeting moderator. The moderator announces the motion will be discussed at this Tuesday's Quarterly Conference Meeting and **voted on by the church on Sunday, the 24th (not the 17th as there will be an outdoor service that day).**"

At Quarterly Conference on 10/12/21 this motion was tabled until further notice. The request comes from Deacon's Meeting on 10/11/21 and a request was to have all language in the November Messenger.

**Monday, November 1**

12:00-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Tuesday, November 2

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:00 AM—Chair Yoga (Overflow Center)

10:30 AM—Women on Mission

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

6:30 PM—Fellowship/Bible Study/Prayer Time (ZOOM)

Wednesday, November 3

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Thrift Store open

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 4

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:30-11:30 AM—Sunago Singers

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

Friday, November 5

10:00 AM-2:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Saturday, November 6

4:45-6:15 PM—Overflow Kids

4:45-6:15 PM—Overflow Youth

5:05-6:15 PM—Overflow Service

Sunday, November 7

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

7:30 PM—Agape Ministry (ZOOM)

Monday, November 8

12:00-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Tuesday, November 9

10:00 AM—Chair Yoga (Overflow Center)

10:00 AM—See 'n Sew

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

6:30 PM—Fellowship/Bible Study/Prayer Time (ZOOM)

Wednesday, November 10

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 11

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:30-11:30 AM—Sunago Singers

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

Friday, November 12

10:00 AM-2:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

6:00-8:30 PM—Youth Group Turkey Bowling/Thanksgiving Family Feast

Saturday, November 13

4:45-6:15 PM—Overflow Kids

5:00-10:00 PM—Overflow Youth

5:05-6:15 PM—Overflow Service

Sunday, November 14

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

Monday, November 15

12:00-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

6:00 PM—Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, November 16

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:00 AM—Chair Yoga (Overflow Center)

6:30 PM—Fellowship/Bible Study/Prayer Time (ZOOM)

Wednesday, November 17

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Thrift Store open

11:00 AM-1:00 PM—Sweet Spirits

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 18

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

10:30-11:30 AM—Sunago Singers

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

Friday, November 19

10:00 AM-2:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Saturday, November 20**Sunday, November 21**

8:00 AM—Christian Ed Event

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service and Budget Presentation

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

7:30 PM—Agape Ministry (ZOOM)

Monday, November 22

12:00-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Tuesday, November 23

NO BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER TIME

10:00 AM—Chair Yoga (Overflow Center)

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Wednesday, November 24

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

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

6:30-8:00 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 25-THANKSGIVING DAY (CAMPUS CLOSED)

Friday, November 26 (CAMPUS CLOSED)

Saturday, November 27

8:30 AM-8:00 PM—Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre

Sunday, November 28

9:15-10:15 AM—Sunday School

10:30 AM—Worship Service

1:30-3:30 PM—Enneagram Class

Monday, November 29

12:00-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

Tuesday, November 30

10:00 AM—Chair Yoga (Overflow Center)

10:00 AM-4:00 PM—Overflow Fitness Center open

6:30 PM—Fellowship/Budget Discussion/Prayer Time (ZOOM)

We Express Our Love and Heartfelt Sympathy to:

- The family and friends in the passing of Howard "Tony" Ring.
- Ann Duncan and family in the passing of her brother.
- The family and friends in the passing of Debra Herron.
- Mary Bridges and family in the passing of her husband, Ken Bridges.
- David Crowell and family in the passing of his aunt, Jackie Guy.
- Betty Hawkins and family in the passing of her sister-in-law, Betty Frisbee.
- Fifi Green and family in the passing of her brother-in-law, Donald Grady Davis.
- Cassandra Smith and family in the passing of her father.
- Zeno Wall and family in the passing of his stepbrother, Dick Wall.

Staff Anniversaries

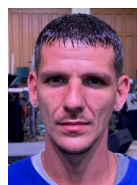
Congratulations to Stan Heiser, our Associate Pastor, Pastoral Care and Senior Adults, who is celebrating his thirty third anniversary at Pritchard! He joined our staff on November 1, 1988.

Congratulations also to Doug Burkhart, our Administrator, who is celebrating his third anniversary on Pritchard's staff. He came aboard on November 5, 2018.

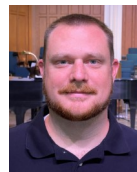
Stan and Doug, thank you for your leadership and your heart for Pritchard. We love and appreciate you!

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

Welcome to Our New Members!



By Baptism:
Christopher Black



By Baptism:
Mike Buck



By Baptism:
Robert Ladd



By Baptism:
Joseph Stallings



By Statement:
Jaime Phifer

Stewardship Update: September 2021 Revenues and Expenses Summary

	<u>MTD Actual</u>	<u>MTD Budget</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
Total Revenues	\$102,968	\$106,678	\$1,054,335	\$989,741
Total Expenses	\$112,934	\$132,689	\$997,178	\$1,076,482
Net Total	\$-9,966	\$-26,011	\$57,157	\$-86,741

Pritchard Memorial shows a loss of \$9,966 for the month of September 2021 and a surplus for the year of \$57,157.

CHURCH STAFF

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Associate Pastor, Spiritual Development & Communication.....	Rev. Kristen Tucker
Minister to Youth & College Aged Students.....	Rev. Brack Ballard
Minister to Children and Their Families.....	Melissa Wisor
Administrator.....	Doug Burkhart
Executive Assistant for Administration & Education.....	Lynn Plyler
Office Assistant/Media Center Director.....	Katrina Gore
Accounting Clerk.....	Cindy Gamwell
Maintenance.....	James Phillips
Grounds Keeper.....	Dewight Little
AV Director.....	Joe Hicks
Operations Assistant.....	Madison Werner
Recreation Director.....	Adam Calderone
Communications Director.....	Kaley Thompson
Chef.....	Qunita Dashiell



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