

# Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Oct 2	Tuesday Oct 3	Wednesday Oct 4	Thursday Oct 5	Friday Oct 6	Saturday Oct 7	Sunday Oct 8
	2:00 – Stewardship Mtg 3:00 – Finance Mtg	9:00 – ESL	1:00 – CCMT Mtg 3:45 – Choir			10:00 - Worship 11:00 – Fellowship  Guest Preacher – Rev. Sarah Ver Burg
Pastor Rachel on Vacation						



**JUST COFFEE** sales are on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays  
**SOCKS/HAND-ME-DOWN SUNDAY** is on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month  
**FOOD BANK** donations are on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month  
**DEADLINE** for a weekly worship bulletin announcement is Tuesday morning  
**DEADLINE** for The ORACLE Newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month  
 Thank you for your punctual submissions to: [mppcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mppcoffice@gmail.com)



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017**  
**ATTENDANCE: 89**



**The Peace and Global Witness Offering  
 will be received during worship today,  
 World Communion Sunday.**

*What we've known as the Peacemaking Offering  
 has been transformed into the Peace & Global  
 Witness Offering.*

*This Offering will have a greater global reach,  
 more significant impact, and bring peace to  
 people through Christ.*

*Your gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering  
 will enable the church to promote the Peace of  
 Christ by addressing systems of injustice across  
 the world.*

**Thank you for your giving today.**

## **PRAYERS FOR...**

- A solution to the situation in North Korea;
- Those having surgery and those recovering from surgery;
- The life of a dear Aunt;
- Those with debilitating illnesses and their caregivers;
- The Nominating Committee and their discernment;
- Those effected by the recent hurricanes and earthquake;
- Sifa to find employment following her job training;
- Le and his recovery from Mersa.

## **THANKS FOR...**

- \$3 million given by Presbyterians to PDA;
- This congregation's love & church growth;
- Successful medical procedures, improved health and skilled medical professionals;
- Chiapas' spared coffee fields;
- Americans who have freedom to protest;
- For birthdays celebrated.

*Prayer Requests*

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

Welcome to all visitors, members and children who are worshipping with us today. We trust that worship will give you a sense of fellowship with Christ and with the community of God's people. Following the service, please gather on the Ramada for conversation and refreshments. **LARGE PRINT BIBLES AND HYMNALS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE CHAIRS IN THE SANCTUARY. IF YOU CANNOT FIND ONE NEAR YOU, PLEASE NOTIFY ONE OF OUR USHERS.**

**USHERS:** David and Jayne Raffety, Dave and Rita Smith

**HOSPITALITY:** Evelyn Ramsey & Volunteers

**GREETERS:** Mary & Hib Knappe, volunteers

**COMMUNION SERVERS:** Sally and Mike Penner, Julie Balogh



**We have a wonderful opportunity  
and it is just "NEXT DOOR!"**

Plan to venture off campus on **October 25th** and attend the **FHAN's 4th Annual Community Health Workshop "Exploring the End of Life Journey"** at Vista de la Montana, United Methodist Church, 1:30 p.m. Your Mountain Shadows Health Ministry team will be there with you too! If you have questions or need to carpool, talk to Health Minister Jayne Raffety, a founding member of FHAN (Faith Health Alliance North).

## **Adult Loss of Hearing Association (ALOHA) Oro Valley Meetings**

When: October through May  
The third Thursday of each month  
Time: 2:00-3:30 pm

Where: Santa Catalina Catholic Church  
[14380 N Oracle Rd. Catalina, AZ 85739](http://www.14380NOracleRd.com)

For more information, please contact Beth McKenzie at: [elmctwo@gmail.com](mailto:elmctwo@gmail.com) or [520-245-4817](tel:520-245-4817), text; Cynthia Amerman at: [cynthiaamerman@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiaamerman@gmail.com) or [202-285-1340](tel:202-285-1340), voice



## **A Note From Your Nominating Committee:**

This is a very important time in our church, and we are asking our congregation to be a part of it.

During this time, the Nominating Committee gets together to discern who the Holy Spirit is calling for service in our church and beyond. It is a very intense time of prayer. We ask you to join us in praying for guidance, and also in praying for clarity in discerning whether **you** are being called. Keep in mind that you might be asked by a member of the nominating committee to serve. What will your answer be to God: *"Here I am Lord, send me"????*

**Pamela Schultz,**  
**Moderator of the Nominating Committee**



**The nursery clean-up party was a great success** thanks to Julie Balogh, Skip Brauns, Mary Ann Butler, Irene Camp, Dan Linegar, Pamela Schultz, Rachel Srubas, Helen Wiens, and Julie Wiens!

BOOK DISCUSSION:  
"Waking Up White"



## ***Waking Up White:* A Four-Week Book Discussion**

**Mondays, October 16, 23, 30, and November 6  
2:00 p.m., Room 3,  
Mountain Shadows Church**

*Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race* by Debbie Irving explores the author's efforts to understand racism and racial tensions, while offering a fresh perspective on bias, stereotypes, manners, and tolerance. Incorporating personal narrative and discussion questions, *Waking Up White* has been recommended by Revs. Denise Anderson and Jan Edmiston, the current Co-Moderators of the Presbyterian Church USA's General Assembly. These two leaders of our denomination co-authored the study guide that will shape our discussions of *Waking Up White*. Copies of the book have been purchased for those who signed up. If you did not sign up but wish to purchase the book and attend the discussions, please email [mspcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mspcoffice@gmail.com).



**We Belong to God.  
We Belong Together.**

**Church Membership Lunch and Learn  
for visitors and friends of  
Mountain Shadows Church  
Sunday, November 12, 11:30 a.m., Room 3.**

Lunch provided, information shared, questions answered about what it means to be a member of Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church. Interested? Add your name to the sign-up sheet at church. Questions? Talk to Membership Ministry Team Moderator Carlton Wiens: [cwiens2@mac.com](mailto:cwiens2@mac.com) 520-247-6601.



## **Christian Meditation Group Resumes Thurs., Nov. 2 at 2:00 p.m.**

Please note the new date. This weekly group shares an hour of contemplative prayer and supportive friendship. Christian meditation is simple, peaceful, restorative, and Christ-centered. Welcome!



**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

**OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE**

If you wish to make a direct donation to support the relief efforts for Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, or Maria, you have two options.

**Online:** [www.pda.pcusa.org](http://www.pda.pcusa.org) or

**By U.S. mail, send a check with Hurricane Harvey and/or Hurricane Irma and/or Hurricane Maria in the memo line to:**

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
P.O. Box 643700  
Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700



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## PASTOR

Rev. Rachel Srubas

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## Session Elders, Guiding and Governing the Congregation, & Ministry Team Moderators

<b>Caring</b>	Health Ministry	Jayne Raffety, Moderator	
<b>Gathering</b>	Christian Community	Evelyn Ramsey, Elder	
	Membership	Carlton Wiens, Moderator	
	Worship & Music	Mary Ann Butler, Elder	
<b>Giving</b>	Stewardship	Allison Townsend, Elder	
	Legacy	Dave Smith, Moderator	
	Childcare/Adult Faith Formation/Library	David Raffety, Moderator	
<b>Learning</b>	Clerk of Session	Pamela Schultz, Elder	
	Finance	Skip Brauns, Elder	
<b>Tending</b>	Facilities/Grounds	Jeff States, Elder	
	Personnel	Dan Linegar, Elder	
	<b>Venturing</b>	Mission & Outreach	Al Johnson, Elder
			Skip Brauns, Elder
			Elizabeth Houle, Elder

## Mountain Shadows' Board of Deacons, Caring for the Congregation

Linda Linegar, Co-Moderator	Kathy Moyer, Co-Moderator
Mary Anderson	George Gregg
Freja Cranston	Connie Wortman
Carlton Wiens	Ann Wright
Alida Wilkes	

### Our Mission Statement

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA),  
is a Christ-centered fellowship, called to live as disciples of Jesus Christ  
as we care for our community and our world.

We strive to share the good news of the Gospel with each other  
and the surrounding communities, and to interact with love and grace with all of God's creation.