

  
**Mountain Shadows**  
**Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Nov 27	Tuesday Nov 28	Wednesday Nov 29	Thursday Nov 30	Friday Dec 1	Saturday Dec 2	Sunday Dec 3
	3:00 - Handbells	9:00 - ESL	Office Closed Office Mgr. Judy Leonard on Vacation  2:00 Christian Meditation 3:45 Choir	Office Closed  Office Mgr. Judy Leonard on Vacation		10:00 - Worship 11:00- Fellowship

**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: [mspcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mspcoffice@gmail.com)



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

**ATTENDANCE: 106**

**Welcome!**

**Rev. Carla Williams**

**PRAYERS FOR...**

- God's comfort for those who mourn;
- Those afflicted with health problems;
- Those healing from surgery & in pain;
- Strength for caregivers;
- Safe holiday travel;
- Keith Verbeck whose cancer has spread;
- Grateful visitors who worshipped with us today;
- Those still recovering from the hurricane in Puerto Rico.

**THANKS FOR...**

- The work of the Tucson Refugee Ministry;
- Beautiful praise music performed by the choir;
- Those celebrating milestone anniversaries & birthdays;
- Successful surgeries;
- Those who step in to provide support for others when needed;
- Our new Presbyterian flag waving alongside the church sign;
- Passing our life stories to the next generation.



# 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:** Karl & Karen Kuehlwein, Roe & Dee Erlandson

**HOSPITALITY:** Jane Stump and Volunteers

**GREETERS:** Debra Derting



The flowers today are donated by Julie Balogh in memory of her husband Steve.

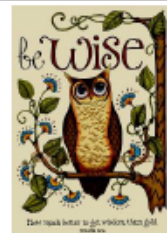


## ALZHEIMER'S HOPE

*November is National Alzheimer's Awareness Month!*

Please stop by the Health Ministry table during November and take home brochures for yourself, a family member, or a friend.

Early detection makes a difference!  
Research is underway.



**Who's Seeking Wisdom?  
Are You?**

The 2018 Women's Retreat, "Growing Hearts of Wisdom," will take place January 31 - February 2 at Tucson's Redemptorist Renewal Center. Today's guest preacher Rev. Carla Williams will lead the retreat. To learn more contact Wanda Johnson at 520-825-4721.



## Christian Meditation Group

The Christian Meditation Group will resume meeting on Thurs., Nov. 30th at 2:00 pm in the Chapel (formerly the Nursery.)



Help start Advent in a joyous and meaningful way by helping to decorate the church for the Advent season. We will begin by creating new decorations on Wed., Nov. 29th. (Time to be determined)

Decorating will be on Sat., Dec. 2nd at 10:00 a.m. There is no need to sign up, just show up!

If you are interested in helping create new decorations or have any questions please contact Lynn Parker at 936-293-0304 (please note Lynn's number has changed.)

## EARLY DEADLINE for JANUARY 2018 ORACLE NEWSLETTER

The deadline for article submissions to the January 2018 *Oracle* newsletter will be December 8th, to accommodate church staff vacations. Thank you for planning ahead!



Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>

## Mountain Shadows' Appetizer/Carol Sing & Dessert Party



The **Appetizer Party/Carol Sing** will be held Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. The Carol Sing and Desserts portion of the evening will be at Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church. The appetizer portion of the party will be hosted by Rita & Dave Smith (Appetizer North) and Sandra Stephens & Tom Long (Appetizer South).

Beginning at 5:00 pm **heavy appetizers** will be served at our host's homes and then everyone will meet at Mountain Shadows for the Carol Sing and Dessert at 7:00 pm.

The sign-up sheet to sign-up on what type of appetizer or dessert you plan to bring is located on the Ramada. If you just want to come for the Carol Sing & Dessert please indicated the dessert you are bringing on the sign-up sheet.

**Pastor Rachel Srubas will be away Nov. 20-30. Call the church at 520-825-7858 if you need spiritual care from Deacons.**



**See the new Presbyterian Church (USA) flag waving on Oracle Road!**

**Judy Leonard, Office Manager, will be on vacation Nov 30<sup>th</sup> – Dec 4<sup>th</sup>.**



### Table of Friends

Fellowship



**Mountain Shadows non-perishable food drive for families served by IMPACT of Southern Arizona was a huge success!**

Through your generous donations, **300 pounds** of food and **six gift cards** were donated to IMPACT. Thank you for your generosity!  
Nan Nasser

**Table of Friends will take place again in 2018. Sign-up for this annual event will begin December 3rd.** Groups of 6-8 will gather monthly (Jan. - April) - doing whatever your group chooses to do! Group assignments will be made the first week of January. You will receive a letter sharing all the pertinent information.

Adopt a Family Project



Be the Difference this Holiday

### Christmas Adopt-a-Family

**Adopt-a-Family sign-ups begin today.** The sign-ups are for specific items for 25 names provided to us from the Tri-Community Food Bank in Mammoth, AZ. You do not need to wrap the item just bring it to church identifying who it is for and with the price removed by **Dec. 10th**. Please leave the store identification on the item. A gift receipt is also helpful. Please plan to shop locally so that an item can be exchanged if necessary. Cash and food donations are also appreciated. Food baskets will also be assembled for each family. **Any questions, contact Helen or Carlton Wiens (247-6016) or Nan Nasser (825-1245).** Happy Holidays!

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Rev. Rachel Srubas

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David Raffety

**Office Manager**

Judy Leonard

**Child Care Provider**

Elder, Allison Townsend

**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	
		Allison Townsend, Elder	
<b>Giving</b>	Stewardship	Dave Smith, Moderator	
	Legacy	David Raffety, Moderator	
		Pamela Schultz, Elder	
<b>Learning</b>	Childcare/Adult Faith Formation/Library	Skip Brauns, Elder	
<b>Tending</b>	Clerk of Session	Jeff States, Elder	
	Finance	Dan Linegar, Elder	
	Facilities/Grounds	Al Johnson, Elder	
		Skip Brauns, Elder	
		Elizabeth Houle, Elder	
<b>Venturing</b>	Personnel		
	Mission & Outreach		

**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.