

# Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

| Monday<br>Jan 15                                  | Tuesday<br>Jan 16 | Wednesday<br>Jan 17         | Thursday<br>Jan 18   | Friday<br>Jan 19 | Saturday<br>Jan 20 | Sunday<br>Jan 21   |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------|--------------------|--|
| Office Closed<br>Martin Luther<br>King's Birthday |                   | 9:00- ESL<br>1:00 - Session | 12:30 - Worship<br>& Music Team<br><br>2:00 - Women's<br>Bible Study<br>2:00 - Christian<br>Meditation<br>3:45 - Choir |                  |                    | 10:00 - Worship<br>Stewardship<br>Commitment<br>Sunday<br>11:00- Fellowship<br>Ministry Team<br>Development Fair |

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: [mshpcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mshpcoffice@gmail.com)



**SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018**  
**ATTENDANCE 114**



**We give gratefully  
 because God is generous.**

**Your prayers, hours, energy, and  
 dollars support this congregation.**

**Thank you for planning to dedicate a  
 portion of your 2018 resources to  
 Mountain Shadows Presbyterian  
 Church on Stewardship Commitment  
 Sunday, January 21.**

## **PRAYERS FOR...**

- Friends & loved ones in the hospital and recovering from surgery;
- Those suffering with flu and colds;
- A young mother with Stage 4 cancer;
- A grandson struggling in grad school;
- Those seeking meaningful employment;
- Caregivers who struggle & grieve the decline of a loved one;
- Wisdom in protecting our children;
- Those grieving the deaths of Fred Emery and Roland "Cal" Calhoun;
- Peace in a complicated world.

## **THANKS FOR...**

- A new home ready for more children;
- The life of Roland "Cal" Calhoun, who died into life everlasting on January 10, 2018.

# 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:** Connie Wortman, Martha MacKrand, Lynn Parker, Marsha Kwolek

**HOSPITALITY:** Fran & Jerry Bonewitz

**GREETERS:** Volunteers



No matter where you are in life, including exercise and a healthy diet will help you do the things you need and want to do - even better! **Stop by the Health Ministry table in January and pick up some good information to help you jump start 2018!**



## Adult Loss of Hearing Association (ALOHA)

Greg Swingle, Audiologist from Arizona Hearing Specialists will speak at the Santa Catalina Catholic Church, 14380 N. Oracle Road on the technological aspect of hearing better on January 18, 2018 at 2:00 pm. For more information please contact Beth McKenzie (520) 245-4817.



The flowers today are donated by the Worship and Ministry Team in gratitude for Helen Wiens' dedicated years of service to the team & church.



## Ministry Team Development Fair After Worship Stewardship Commitment Sunday January 21, 2018

After worship on January 21, visit various Ministry Teams' information tables. Enjoy refreshments and learn about getting involved! Connect with the ministry team that fits who *you* are.



Did you read *Gratitude 2017*, in the first stewardship mailing?

Did you realize the impact your gifts of time, talent, and treasure have made in your community and throughout the world? Listen today and next week as we continue to describe how you are making a difference.

## January 15th DEADLINE

2017 Annual Report submissions are due to [mspcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mspcoffice@gmail.com) by **Mon., Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>**. February *Oracle* submissions are due to [mspcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mspcoffice@gmail.com) by **Mon., Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>**.



## Christian Meditation Group

The Christian Meditation Group meets every **Thursday at 2:00 pm** in the Chapel (formerly the Nursery) to share an hour of contemplative prayer and supportive friendship. All are welcome!

**Annual Congregational Meeting**  
**Sunday, January 28, 2018,**  
**following worship:**



- Receive the 2017 Annual Report.
- Thank outgoing Deacons and Elders & Other Leaders.
- Review the 2018 Operating Budget.

All church members may vote on:

- Nominees for Elder & Deacon;
- 2018 Nominating Committee Members;
- Pastor's Terms of Call for 2018.

*Please plan to be present on January 28.*

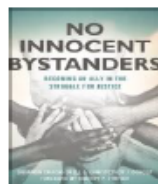


**Faith in Action**  
**Information Table**

Stop by the Faith in Action (FIA) Information Table after worship today and the remaining Sundays in January to find out more about opportunities to serve on **FIA Sunday March 11, 2018**. Today, we are highlighting two new organizations that MSPC will connect with this year:

- **Reading Seed Children's Program**, a program of Literacy Connects
- **SR Jose Women's Center**

Please stop by and learn about these organizations and how we will help them on FIA Sunday!



**Becoming an Ally**  
**in the Struggle for Justice:**  
**A Lenten Learning**  
**Book Discussion**

- Based on the book *No Innocent Bystanders: Becoming an Ally in the Struggle for Justice*
- **Four consecutive Monday after-noon**s in Lent, February 19 and 26; March 5 and 12 at 2:00 p.m., Room 3
- **Sign-up soon!** Add your name to the list at church. A bulk order of books will be purchased and distributed to those who **sign up**.
- **\$14.00 per book**, payable to MSPC, will be collected at the first discussion, on February 19.

Readable and faith-based, *No Innocent Bystanders* integrates the major Christian realities of faith, grace, sin, repentance, forgiveness, love, justice, and reconciliation into a practical guide for followers of Jesus who feel called to change unjust social systems. The book is written to help Christians resist racism and advocate for the rights of LGBTQ persons and other oppressed groups. Because it invites readers to look within themselves and act with wisdom and courage, it will be a fitting read for the transformational season of Lent.



**The Women's Horizons Bible Study Group** will meet Thursday, January 18th from 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm, in Rm 3. We will be discussing Chapter 3 of *Cloud of Witnesses*. Please contact Karen Koopmans (520-818-6337) if you need a book.

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**PASTOR**

Rev. Rachel Srubas

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Charmaine Piane Dame

**Treasurer**

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