

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Jan 29	Tuesday Jan 30	Wednesday Jan 31	Thursday Feb 1	Friday Feb 2	Saturday Feb 3	Sunday Feb 4
		Women's Retreat				10:00 - Worship 11:00- Fellowship
		9:00- ESL	2:00 - Christian Meditation No Choir			

JUST COFFEE sales are on the 1st & 3rd Sundays

SOCKS/HAND-ME-DOWN SUNDAY is on the 4th Sunday of every month

FOOD BANK donations are on the 1st Sunday of every month

DEADLINE for a weekly worship bulletin announcement is **Tuesday morning**

DEADLINE for The ORACLE Newsletter is the 15th of each month

Thank you for your punctual submissions to: mspcoffice@gmail.com



SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018
ATTENDANCE 121



ANNUAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING
TODAY AT 11:30

PRAYERS FOR...

- Successful surgery
- Recovery from colds, flu & pneumonia
- The health of loved ones
- Friends & loved ones with cancer
- Peace & justice in the Middle East
- Those causing harm to others
- Those suffering abuse & that the abusers may be transformed
- Those with broken hearts & relationships
- Those experiencing painful losses & grief
- Travel safety

THANKS FOR...

- Rain!
- A daughter's successful job promotion
- A brother's birthday
- Restored health
- All the saints that contribute so much to the church & its mission

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: Nancy & Dave Jones, Karen Kuehlwein

GREETERS: Sandy & Bruce Bailey



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!



Never2Early Workshop

It's never too early to make dying less stressful on the ones you love. Two workshops to choose from:

February 10 & March 10

9:00 am – 3:00pm

Grundstrom Room

Northminster Presbyterian Church
2450 E. Fort Lowell & Tucson Blvd.



Faith in Action Information Table

Stop by the Faith in Action (FIA) Information Table after worship today to find out more about opportunities to serve on FIA Sunday, March 11, 2018. Today, we are highlighting Tri-Community Food Bank in Mammoth. Please stop by and learn about this organization and how we will help seniors in Mammoth on FIA Sunday!



Interested in Church Membership?

Come join us for **Lunch & Learn on Sunday, March 4th at 11:30.** Lunch will be provided as you learn about church membership at Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church. Please sign-up on the sheet on the Ramada.



DID YOU KNOW?

If you haven't returned your pledge card, there is still time. See Dave Smith or David Rafferty if you need a replacement card.

Week 1 Stewardship Results

Year	Total Pledges	Total \$ Pledged
2018	61	\$ 203,490
2017	53	\$ 148,892
2016	66	\$ 192,610
2015	68	\$ 181,206
2014	62	\$ 160,760



A Sign-Up Opportunity!

Help us decorate the sanctuary with beautiful flowers each Sunday. Sign-up sheets are available on the ramada after worship. A \$30 donation is suggested. Questions? Contact Lynn Parker at 936-293-0304.



TRIP TO THE BORDER SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 23RD

Members and Friends of MSPC are urged to consider this one day trip to the border at Douglas/Agua Prieta. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about Just Coffee and also witness a cooperative mission of Frontera de Cristo. Complete details are in the January *Oracle*. Sign up today on the Ramada. Questions? Contact Irene Camp at 520/818-0504.

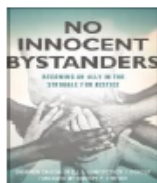
FAMILY FUED YAVs vs. PASTORS

Join folks across the Presbytery on Saturday, February 17 at 3:00 pm at Trinity Presbyterian, 400 University Ave, for a Family Feud game. This fun event will benefit the Tucson Borderlands Young Adult Volunteers Program (YAVs) by helping to support the three volunteers as they spend a year, in mission, here in Tucson. Three Presbytery pastors will compete against the three YAV's. Come join the fun! Tickets are \$10.00. Elizabeth Houle will be selling tickets to this event after church today, and Feb 11th. If you would like to carpool please sign-up on the sheet on the Ramada.

Today's flowers are dedicated

by Rev. Rachel Srubas

to honor the following church leaders who have completed terms of service: Skip Brauns, Freja Cranston, Elizabeth Houle, Evelyn Ramsey, Pamela Schultz, Dave Smith, Carlton Wiens, Connie Wortman, and Ann Wright.



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 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.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service
February 14 at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome.



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

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

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