

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Sept 24	Tuesday Sept 25	Wednesday Sept 26	Thursday Sept 27	Friday Sept 28	Saturday Sept 29	Sunday Sept 30
	10:00 Balance Class	OFFICE CLOSED 1:00 CPR/AED Class	1:30 Personnel Mtg 2:00 Christian Meditation 3:45 Choir Practice			10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship

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, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
ATTENDANCE: 81

Sifa ya Karibu na Familia
(Welcome Sifa and Family)



PRAYERS FOR...

- Families and friends who have lost loved ones;
- Housing for Sifa and her family;
- A smooth transition for the YAVs as they begin their service year;
- Good results after surgery;
- Help for a car accident victim who suffers addiction;
- Those in the path of Hurricane Florence;
- Hurricane Florence's first responders;
- Sister in law with cancer and beginning chemotherapy;
- Travel mercies on a journey to China;
- Children separated from parents.

THANKS FOR...

- Birthday celebrations;
- Pastor Rachel, the light of a spiritual life;
- Visits from children and grandchildren;
- Successful recoveries from surgeries and strokes, and positive medical results;
- Our congregation;
- For Sifa and her children.

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: Deborah Derting, Judy Strong, Martha Macrander, Lynn Parker

HOSPITALITY: Judy Hans, Linda Linegar

GREETERS: Jane Stump, Karen Thomas

FACILITIES: Dan Linegar



Pima Council on Aging (PCOA) is offering two great classes near us this Fall.

The Aging with Mastery Program will meet at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 11575 N. First Ave, Oro Valley, on Wednesdays Sept 12- Nov 14th from 1:30PM -3PM. \$99 for all 10 weeks. Learn more at the MSPC Health Ministry Table.

It's A Matter of Balance will take place in the Rancho Vistoso Urgent Care Community Room, 13101 N. Oracle Rd, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2-4PM for 4wks from Oct 9th to Nov 1st. \$20 per individual or \$30 per couple. Many members of MSPC have taken this class and can attest to its value!

For more information and to REGISTER call PCOA at 520-305-3409



There are still a few Sundays in 2018 open to donate flowers for worship. The sign-up sheet is located on the ramada. There are flower donation envelopes located on the back of the sanctuary chairs to put your donation in and then may be placed in the Sunday offering plate.



Pastoral Leadership and Care, September 26-October 4

While Pastor Rachel Srubas takes some scheduled time away, Parish Associate Rev. Denise Edwards will preach and co-lead worship on September 30, and will be available to provide pastoral care to congregants. Deacon Linda Linegar will also be available. Just call the church at 520-825-7858 and Office Manager Judy Leonard or the recorded greeting will put you in touch with them.



Sermon Audio Recordings Update

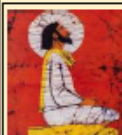
Good News! The problem uploading audio recordings of sermons to the church website has been solved. Thank you, Ken McAllister!

WELCOMING
THE STRANGER



Welcoming the Stranger

An Adult Education Class called **Welcoming the Stranger** will take place at Mountain Shadows on **Mondays, October 8, 15, and 22 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.** The class will focus on biblical and theological issues relating to community identity and the place of “foreigners” and “strangers” in Israel’s and the church’s midst. Participants will explore the question of migration in U.S. history and consider the current conversation regarding border security and immigrant needs. **Rev. Dr. Rod Hutton**, Emeritus Professor of Old Testament at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, who is Mountain Shadows' Elder for Learning, will teach the class. Sign up today!



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!



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**
OUT OF CHAOS. HOPE

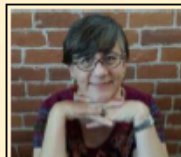
Thanks to the generous offerings from Mountain Shadows members and friends, Mountain Shadows' Missions and Outreach Ministry recently donated \$500 to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's Hurricane Florence relief fund.

If you wish to make a personal donation to support Hurricane Florence relief, you have two options.

Online: www.pda.pcusa.org

By U.S. mail, send a check with Hurricane Florence – DR000169 in the memo line to:

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



A Message of Thanks from Pastor Rachel

David Steindl-Rast says, “In moments of surprise we catch at least a glimpse of the joy to which gratefulness opens the door.” For the many surprising moments that made my recent birthday a joy, I am grateful to you, Mountain Shadows! Love, Pastor Rachel

PLEASE NOTE!

On Wednesday, September 26th, the church office will be closed so that Office Manager, Judy Leonard may attend a CPR/AED class.



BORDER TRIP: SIGN-UP TODAY!

Add your name to the list of those going to visit the Presbyterian Border Ministry in Agua Prieta, Mexico, October 30-31. See Rod Hutton for details.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE:

**MONDAY – FRIDAY
8:15 AM – 1:15 PM**

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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	Deborah Derting, Moderator
Giving	Worship & Music	Mary Ann Butler, Elder
	Stewardship	Dave Smith, Moderator
Learning	Legacy	David Raffety, Moderator
	Childcare/Adult Faith Formation/Library	Rod Hutton, Elder
		Cassi Fraley, Elder, Vice Clerk of Session
Tending	Clerk of Session	Skip Brauns
	Finance	Jeff States, Elder
	Facilities/Grounds	Dan Linegar, Elder
	Personnel	Pamela Schultz, Elder
Venturing	Mission & Outreach	Laura Carey, Elder
	Communications	Tony Zoellner, Moderator

Mountain Shadows' Board of Deacons, Caring for the Congregation

Linda Linegar, Co-Moderator	Alida Wilkes, Co-Moderator
Mary Anderson	Rex Knorr
Freja Cranston	Kathy Moyer
Judy Hans	Carlton Wiens

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.