

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

| Monday Nov 19 | Tuesday Nov 20 | Wednesday Nov 21 | Thursday Nov 22 | Friday Nov 23 | Saturday Nov 24 | Sunday Nov 25 |
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| 10:00 Deacons | 10:00 Balance Class 4:00 Bells | 9:00 - ESL |  Office Closed No Choir No Meditation | Office Closed | | 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, NOVEMBER 11, 2018
ATTENDANCE: 98



Mountain Shadows
 Presbyterian Church
 partners with IMPACT
 of Southern Arizona to provide
 Thanksgiving food baskets to
 underserved families of our
 community. Thanks be to God
 for the compassion and generosity
 of all who donated foods
 to bless the holiday tables
 of neighbors in need.
 May the baskets convey the love
 of Jesus to those who receive them.

PRAYERS FOR...

- Those grieving the loss of loved ones;
- Traveling mercies;
- Phil, Allison Townsend's father in ICU;
- All those in California in danger of wild fires;
- Restoration of sanity & hearts in light of multiple mass shootings;
- Arlyne with blood clots in her lungs;
- The people of war-stricken Cameroon, especially for the Redeemer Church

THANKS FOR...

- All the veterans;
- The lives of Penny Gibbs, Evelyn & sister-in-law Doris;
- Just Coffee and appreciation from the farmers;
- Joys of friendship and lovely weather;
- Friends' safe return from Guatemala;
- A brother's recovery & end of estrangement;
- Those who cleaned & restored the kitchen;
- Thanks for recovery from surgery;
- Dan's report of being cancer-free;
- Many miles of safe travel;
- Son's military promotion & return to US;
- Denise Edwards' ministry with us.

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: JJ & Beverly Johnston, Dennis Nelson, Cassi Fraley
HOSPITALITY: Gale DiGiorgio, Karen Thomas
GREETERS: Gordon & Gary Wiens
FACILITIES: Karl Kuehlwein

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ARE:
MONDAY – FRIDAY
8:15 AM – 1:15 PM**



CAN YOU FIND OUR



**Automated External Defibrillator
(AED)?**

We want *everyone* to know that:

**AN AED UNIT IS LOCATED IN RM. 5 ON
THE SOUTH WALL OUTSIDE THE
SINGLE BATHROOM.**

*The Door to Room 5 remains unlocked
whenever anyone is on our campus, no matter
how briefly – during all meetings, grounds
work, events, and worship!*



**Advent Adult Education Class:
“Jesus: The Early Years”**

**Mondays, Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10 and 17
from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.**

The Advent adult study will discuss the religious traditions surrounding the birth and youth of Jesus, drawn from biblical and post-biblical texts. Join us as we explore stories of Jesus and his mom that you perhaps never encountered before! Please sign-up on the sheet on the ramada.



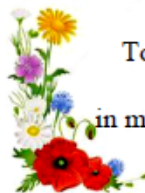
While Pastor Rachel Srubas visits family for Thanksgiving, Parish Associate Denise Edwards will be available as needed to provide pastoral care to the congregation. Call 520-825-7858 to get connected.



**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!



**Service of Witness to the
Resurrection in Memory
of Jack Leer** will take place at Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend and give thanks to God for Jack's life.

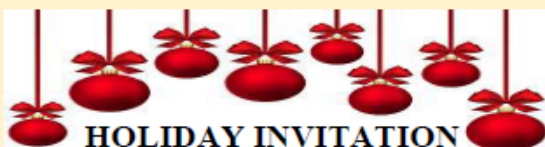


Today's flowers are donated
by Julie Balogh,
in memory of her husband Steve.



The Thrive Project: Beyond the Survey

Thank you to everyone who recently completed a survey on Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church's vitality. The results are being cataloged. At its January meeting, the Session (leadership council) of the congregation will reflect on the results, which will help us better understand ourselves as a congregation and will shape the content of the February 28, 2018 All-Church retreat. Please save the date and watch for more information about the retreat!



HOLIDAY INVITATION


Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs)
Holiday Open House

When: 5:00 P.M, December 11, 2018

Where: 527 E Waverly Street,
Tucson, AZ 85705

Please come and get to know and support these wonderful young people, have a cup of cheer (hot chocolate or apple cider), sing Christmas songs and eat holiday cookies. You can RSVP to Elizabeth Houle at deneliz64@gmail.com or call 520-400-3065. Car-pooling will be arranged.

WE ARE ALMOST THERE!



Mountain Shadows' coffee sales are coming close to our goal of 400 pounds. Only 69 more pounds to go! So far, Mountain Shadows' members and friends have purchased 331 pounds of coffee. Remember buying Just Coffee directly helps the coffee growers of Chiapas to stay on their land, make a living wage, plus have health insurance and a pension.



Appetizer Party and Dessert/Carol Sing

Please plan to come to the annual Appetizer Party and Dessert/Carol Sing on Sunday, December 9th. The evening will begin at 5:00 pm with appetizers at a host's home. Rita and Dave Smith have agreed to open their home in SaddleBrooke for our members who live north of Mountain Shadows. Karen and Sherwin Koopmans have agreed to open their home for those living south of Mountain Shadows. Participants will be asked to provide a dessert or a hearty appetizer to feed 10-12 people. The carol sing/dessert will begin at 7:00 pm at Mountain Shadows.

Coordination of participants and their hosts will take place the week of Nov. 26th and invitations will be distributed Sunday, Dec. 2nd during fellowship. Please sign-up to attend this annual event by November 25th. You may choose to bring a dessert and only attend the carol sing.



JANUARY 2019 ORACLE DUE DATE:

Due to the holidays and scheduled staff vacations in December, articles will be due for the January 2019 Oracle by Friday, December 7th.



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Brittany Nuño

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

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| Caring | Health Ministry | Jayne Raffety, Moderator |
| Gathering | Christian Community | Shawne Cryderman, Moderator |
| | Membership | Deborah Derting, Moderator |
| | Worship & Music | Mary Ann Butler, Elder |
| Giving | Stewardship | Dave Smith, Moderator |
| | Legacy | David Raffety, Moderator |
| Learning | 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 |
| Venturing | Personnel | Pamela Schultz, Elder |
| | Mission & Outreach | Laura Carey, Elder |
| | Communications | Tony Zoellner, Moderator |

Mountain Shadows' Board of Deacons, Caring for the Congregation

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| 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.