

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Jan 28	Tuesday Jan 29	Wednesday Jan 30	Thursday Jan 31	Friday Feb 1	Saturday Feb 2	Sunday Feb 3
	3:00 FHA Mtg	9:00 ESL	2:00 Christian Meditation 3:30 Choir Practice			10:00 Worship with the Commissioning of Home Communion Server Teams 11:00 Fellowship

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

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 20, 2018
ATTENDANCE 121

Mountain Shadows' All-Church Retreat

Thursday, February 28, 2019
9:00 until 5:00

Sign up to attend!



Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church
invites you to be a part
of our congregation's thriving.

Lively Presentations,
Good Conversation,
Tasty Lunch with Friends
in a Beautiful Retreat Setting.

Redemptorist Renewal Center
7101 West Picture Rocks Road, Tucson
Free of Charge.

We ask only that you give us this day: 02/28/2019.

Prayers for:

- Everything- from a poem by Mary Oliver
- Healing for Shirley, Mary, Randy& others
- Those at the end of life here in Hospice
- Cheryl in the loss of her husband
- Judy Strong & husband for strength & comfort

Thanks for:

- Dr. King & his prayers for us all
- McDee's birthday
- The choir & their music
- Time with family
- Recovery from surgery for Bob
- The refinishing of our bench
- Those helping to teach reading to children
- Service for Allison's father
- All Christians of the world in danger

Remember: Each Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in Mountain Shadows' chapel (the little room north of the church office), a group gathers for a time of Christian Meditation. You're invited to attend and practice this richly silent way of praying to God, who knows our needs.

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: Martha Maccrander, Connie Wortman, Lynn Parker, Marsha Kwolek

HOSPITALITY: Karen Thomas Rita Smith

GREETERS: Volunteers

FACILITIES: Dan Linegar



Blessings for a Healthy Mind, Body and Spirit in 2019!



New Year's resolutions are great... but success is even more likely when you choose your health goals and design an **ACTION PLAN!** Try using a template, that you can pick up at the Health Ministry Table, to help you go the distance and stay on track. Your Health Ministry team is available to talk things through to personalize your plan. And, the January Health Ministry Table is loaded with other good resources on emotional fitness, exercise, diet, educational opportunities, and spiritual resources to help you get started!



Today's flowers are donated by the Wiens Family in memory of Allison's father, Phil.



A big thank you to all who helped decorate the church for Advent, and for those who took the decorations down. You are appreciated. Lynn Parker

Lectio Divina: Praying God's Word Monday, February 18 at 2:00 p.m.

Guest teacher Katherine Ann Smolik OSB, will introduce *lectio divina*, a deeply prayerful way to read Scripture. All are welcome at this class!



Elder Laura Carey will return on a new day to lead an 8 week **Balance class** for the congregation. The class will starting on **Thursday, February 7th from 10am -11am in Rms 2 & 3.** The Exercise is gentle and safe and can also be done with support or from a seated position. Please sign up under the Ramada.



Extraordinary Time

Attend an **Author Talk, Book Sale and Signing on Monday March 4th 2-4 p.m.**, in the Church Sanctuary. Be sure to bring a friend as we learn from writer and faith leader **Laura Dunham** as she reflects faithfully on her season of compounded loss, illness, and life transition.



Annual Congregational Meeting Today following worship:

Please plan to be present.



Interfaith Community Services Empty Bowls Event March 2, 2019

Join us March 2nd for the Empty Bowls Event, a fundraiser for Interfaith Community Services at the Chinese Cultural Center. Tickets can be purchased online for \$25.00. Sample soups and desserts and take home a hand-crafted ceramic bowl. (See the website for more details). Please see either Karen or Sherwin Koopmans, or call 818-6337 or email skkooops@gmail.com for more details



Taste of Chiapas, Feb. 15th

Please plan to attend this fundraiser for *Cafe Justo Y Mas*. The evening will feature Mariachi music, food and a message from Rev. Mark Adams. There will be a silent auction and a raffle for big ticket items. The cost of the event is \$20.00 person. Raffle tickets sold today are \$20 dollars for 5 tickets. Participants do not have to be present to win. Please see Irene Camp for more details.



Mission Trip to the Border At Douglas, Arizona/Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, February 5th

Today is the last day to sign up for the Mission Trip. If you are interested, please see Irene Camp after worship. For those already signed up, there has been a change in the overnight accommodations. The historic Gadsen is fully booked on the 5th so our overnight motel will be the Best Western with a free breakfast. Because the Best Western is more expensive, the \$25.00 fee will be waived. Questions? See Irene Camp.



Live Courageously: Stewardship Campaign

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

Week 1 Stewardship Results

Year	Total Pledges	Total \$ Pledged
2019	55	\$ 157,859
2018	61	\$ 203,490
2017	53	\$ 148,892
2016	66	\$ 192,610
2015	68	\$ 181,206

Beyond Our Doors Initiative

1. Tour IMPACT Food Bank on February 4th.
2. Join the Border Immersion Trip on February 5th.
3. Support Julie Balogh and team in sewing clothing for children around the world.
4. Join the Taste of Chiapas Gala on Feb. 15th.
5. Meet Middle Eastern Presbyterian Fellowship (MEPF) congregants on Feb. 17th.
6. Join the YAVs for dinner and games on Feb. 22nd.
7. Attend "Understanding the Plight of Refugees..." educational event on Feb. 24th.
8. Join Interfaith Community Services Empty Bowls event on March 2nd.
9. Tour Tri-Community Food Bank week-of March 4th.
10. *Reflect and Share on Sunday, March 17th!*

Join the Mission Team As We Serve and Connect Beyond Our Church Doors! Stop by the Ramada after worship to sign up!



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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
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	Worship & Music	Mary Ann Butler, Elder
Giving	Stewardship	Dave Smith, Moderator
	Legacy	David Raffety, Moderator
Learning	Adult Faith Formation/Library	Rod Hutton, Elder
		Cassi Fraley, Elder, Vice Clerk of Session
		Skip Brauns
Tending	Clerk of Session	Jeff States, Elder
	Finance	Dan Linegar, Elder
	Facilities/Grounds	Pamela Schultz, Elder
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Mountain Shadows' Board of Deacons, Caring for the Congregation

Linda Linegar, Co-Moderator	Alida Wilkes, Co-Moderator
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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.