

# Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Apr 1	Tuesday Apr 2	Wednesday Apr 3	Thursday Apr 4	Friday Apr 5	Saturday Apr 6	Sunday Apr 7
2:00 - Lenten Class: Leaving the Garden	5:30 Handbells	9:00 ESL  2:00 Church Membership Exploration Coffee & Conversation	10:00 Balance Class 2:00 Christian Meditation 2:00 Women's Bible Study 2:00 - Learning Mtg 3:45 Choir Practice			10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship Communion Sunday

JUST COFFEE sales are on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays

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



## SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019 ATTENDANCE 111



### Considering Church Membership?

We invite you to a Church Membership Exploration Coffee and Conversation, Wednesday, April 3 at 2:00 p.m. at Mountain Shadows Church.

Meet with Pastor Rachel Srubas and Membership Ministry Team Elder Cassi Fraley to learn about the Presbyterian Church (USA) and what it means to belong to Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church.

Those who attend the April 3 gathering and wish to join the church will be received into church membership by the Session (leadership council) on Wednesday, April 10 at 3:00 p.m.

New church members will be publicly welcomed during worship on Palm Sunday, April 14. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet under the church ramada.

### Prayers for:

- Continued healing for Joy Lewis's cardiac issues and for Carole Jordal after surgery
- Those struggling from the recent floods and those who will struggle with the same in the future

### Thanks for:

- The gift of music at Mountain Shadows
- The beautiful flowers that are in bloom.
- The minimal loss of life in the recent floods in the Midwest.
- The Iowa farmers who are providing food for livestock affected by the floods
- The health care professionals who treated Morning Sun
- The love & support Morning Sun receives from Cassi
- The generous donations that support people in need in our area.
- Dottie and Bob Gaston's 68th anniversary
- The safe return of Dennis and Elizabeth's nephew who was awarded the Bush Grant
- The prayer blankets Fran Moran makes and the appreciation from those who recently received the prayer blankets
- Fran and Jerry Bonewitz; Carole Jordal; Barbara and Bob Gray

# 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:** Roe & Dee Erlandson, Laura Carey, Lynn Parker

**HOSPITALITY:** Alida Wilkes, Volunteers

**GREETERS:** Volunteers

**FACILITIES:** Dave Smith



## Are you, a friend, or a family member at risk for falls?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [www.cdc.gov/injury](http://www.cdc.gov/injury) tells us: "Each year thousands of older Americans fall at home. Many of them are seriously injured and some are disabled. Falls are often due to hazards that are easy to overlook but easy to fix. Please **Stop** by the HEALTH MINISTRY display table in March for some good strategies and adaptations that can help you to prevent falls.



## DISPOSE-A-MED

Prevent clutter and medication errors and dispose of your unused prescriptions and over the counter medications for proper destruction at an upcoming **Dispose-A-Med** event at the following location:

**April 27, 2019**

Target

10555 N. Oracle

9 am -12 noon

For more info check [orovalleyaz.gov/police](http://orovalleyaz.gov/police)



The flowers today are donated by Elizabeth Houle in honor of Dennis Nelson's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday



## April is Women's Health Month at Mountain Shadows

During our recent BODI visit to Tri-Community Food Bank, in Mammoth, a request was made for feminine hygiene and continence products. **Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> has been designated to collect these requested items.** As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.



## IS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CORRECT?

Yes, it is time again to update Mountain Shadows' congregational directory. **If you have changed your address, email, and/or phone number, please let Judy Leonard, Office Manager, know** by emailing the office at [mshpcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mshpcoffice@gmail.com) or by calling the church office at 520-825-7858.



## Brokenness and the Human Condition

The last class in the Lenten Learning series titled "Leaving the Garden." will be held **Monday, April 1 at 2:00 p.m.** Elder Rod Hutton will lead this insightful and thought-provoking class.



## Maundy Thursday Soup Supper Or "Crock Pot for Hire"

The Christian Community Ministry Team (CCMT) will be sponsoring a **Maundy Thursday Simple Soup Supper on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM after worship.** Congregants and guests are invited to join This Simple Soup Supper will take place in rooms 2, 3, and 4. Various selections of soups will be served, with a vegetarian soup and a gluten free soup available. If you would like to participate in "Crock Pot for Hire" and make a hot soup to share, **please sign up on the Ramada beginning March 10th.** We are asking that everyone to please RSVP by signing up on the sheet during fellowship. activity.



## **Book Release Celebration: Sunday, April 7**



Pastor Rachel Srubas has written and published a book titled *Benedictine Promises for Everyday People: Staying Put, Listening Well, Being Changed by God.* On Sunday, April 7, Rachel will preach a message lifting up these three themes. Presbytery de Cristo Pastor, Rev. Brad Munroe, will co-lead worship, including Holy Communion. Following worship, Mountain Shadows' friend and Christian Meditation facilitator Joe Doerfer, who is also the proprietor of Contemplative Life Bookstore, will be present to sell books for \$15.00 apiece.

## **Asylum-Seeker Migrant Ministry News**

The great need continues for serving the hundreds of asylum-seekers traveling through Tucson. Mountain Shadows supports two of the five currently active migrant shelters operating in Tucson. They are:

- (1) The INN – First United Methodist Church on 4<sup>th</sup> St.
- (2) Rincon United Church of Christ on North Craycroft

We also have congregants volunteering their time at these shelters. Thank you, Mountain Shadows! For additional information regarding their needs please contact the Mountain Shadows' Migrant Ministry Team coordinators, Laura Carey, Eleanor Geiger, and Denise Edwards.

## **Holy Week and Easter Services**



*Come Worship With Us!*

**Palm Sunday, April 14 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Maundy Thursday, April 18 at 5:00 p.m.**  
**Easter Sunday: Resurrection Celebrations at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. All are welcome!**



**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.**

**Don't forget to pick up your April Oracle today!**

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

<b>Caring</b>	Health Ministry	Jayne Raffety, Moderator
<b>Gathering</b>	Christian Community	Shawne Cryderman, Moderator
	Co-Clerk of Session & Membership	Cassi Fraley, Elder
	Worship & Music	Mary Ann Butler, Elder
<b>Giving</b>	Stewardship	Dave Smith, Moderator
	Legacy	David Raffety, Moderator
<b>Learning</b>	Adult Faith Formation/Library	Rod Hutton, Elder
<b>Tending</b>	Co-Clerk of Session	Skip Brauns
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	Facilities/Grounds	Dan Linegar, Elder
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## Mountain Shadows' Board of Deacons, Caring for the Congregation

Freja Cranston, Co-Moderator	Alida Wilkes, Co-Moderator
Beverly Johnston	Lynn Parker
Judy Meister	Brian Parker
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### *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.