

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Sep 23	Tuesday Sep 24	Wednesday Sep 25	Thursday Sep 26	Friday Sep 27	Saturday Sep 28	Sunday Sep 29
	10:00 – Balance Class	1:00 - Session	2:00 – Learning Team 3:45 – Choir			10:00 Worship Fellowship after worship

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, SEPT 15, 2019

ATTENDANCE: 79



Christian Meditation Ministry Has Ended

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church will no longer host a Christian Meditation group because this ministry is no longer practically sustainable. Thanks to **Joe Doerfer**, who facilitated the ministry throughout its duration, and to **Julie Wiens**, who provided support to the group. Those who wish to continue connecting with the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM) are encouraged to visit <https://www.wccm.org/>. Also, on October 18-20 at Shepherd of the Hills United Church of Christ in Phoenix, the WCCM's US National Conference, titled *Contemplative Christianity*, will take place.

Learn more at:

<https://wccm-usa.org/resources/upcoming-events/>.

Prayers for:

- Judy Strong, Dawn Doorn , Suzie Phelps, Elizabeth Houle, Delores Ross for continued healing.
- The Raffety's granddaughter, Lucia.
- Connie's friend, Sherry, and a good visit in Hospice.

Thanks for:

- Birthdays for Rachel and Ginny's son.
- God's leading Steven to new friends and friendship.
- The Ashtons' anniversary.
- Dennis' friend Dick King's life.
- Cassi and all who care for foster children.
- Joyce's grandson who had a long fall but wasn't injured.
- Therese's finding the right faith community she was seeking.
- Suzie Phelps who appreciates the cards, prayers, visits and prayer blanket.

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. **LARGEPRINT 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: Lynn Parker, Cassi Fraley, Martha Maccrander, Connie Wortman

HOSPITALITY: Judy Hans, Dan Engeljohn

GREETERS: Deborah Derting and Volunteers

FACILITIES: Dave Smith



Falls Free
National Council on Aging

STEADY, READY AND BALANCED!

Join MSPC in September as we strive to be *Falls Free*. Falling is NOT a part of normal aging. Falls threaten the independence and safety of seniors. The statistics are alarming! Every 13 seconds an older adult is seen in an emergency department for a fall and its complications. **The good news is that every older adult has the power to prevent falls.** This September we can be intentional, think things through, and add new behaviors to improve balance and safety. *Let's join a balance class, review medications with our doctors, use those walkers or canes, and stop by the Health Ministry table for more tips on home safety and FALLS PREVENTION.*



FLOWER SIGN-UPS

Signups for providing flowers for Sunday services are available all fall. You may sign-up on the ramada. Envelopes are in the pew holder on the back of the chairs to place your donation. See Lynn Parker for questions. 936-293-0304



SAVE THE DATE
2020 Celebration Dinner
Sunday, March 1, 2020
From 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Celebrating
Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church,
our Mission, and
Pastor Rachel Srubas' 20th
Ordination Anniversary!
Where: SaddleBrooke Ranch House,
Sol Ballroom
31143 Amenty Drive, Oracle, AZ
Tickets go on sale in January



The Celebration Committee Needs Your Help!

The event date and venue have been chosen but we still need to plan menus, publicity and the program. If you are interested in helping with these activities, please join us at the next **Celebration Committee meeting on Thursday, October 3rd at 1:00pm** and let Jayne Raffety or Mary Ann Butler know.



October 6

World Communion Sunday Peace & Global Witness Offering

On **World Communion Sunday, October 6, 2019**, we will celebrate our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world and will receive the annual **Peace and Global Witness Offering**.

A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. **Mountain Shadows** will dedicate 25% of this Offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. **Presbytery de Cristo** will retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% will be used by the **Presbyterian Mission Agency** to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.



Interested in exploring church membership?

Sign up to attend an informational lunch following worship on Sunday, October 13. Those who wish to become members of Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church will then meet with the Session (leadership council) on Wednesday, October 16 in the afternoon. Please save these dates and add your name to the sign-up sheet under the church ramada.



Faith Health Alliance North (FHAN)

presents:

Caregiving: Real People, Real Stories, Real Support

October 16, 2019

1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m

Registration begins at 12:30 p.m.

**Vista de la Montana United Methodist Church
3001 E. Miravista Ln, Catalina, AZ 85739**

**You may pre-register by calling 928-351-7545 or
by emailing FHANworkshops@gmail.com**

See the October *Oracle* for more details!

Mountain Shadows Legacy Ministry is a proud sponsor of this year's free community health workshop developed by FHAN- Faith Health Alliance North. Please plan to attend and invite your friends too !

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

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
Judy Hans	Carlton Wiens
	Connie Wortman

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.