

Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Monday Sep 30	Tuesday Oct 1	Wednesday Oct 2	Thursday Oct 3	Friday Oct 4	Saturday Oct 5	Sunday Oct 6
	10:00 – Balance Class	9:00 - ESL 1:00 - Session	1:00 – Celebration Mtg 3:45 – Choir		Carpets Cleaned	10:00 Worship (Peace & Global Witness Offering) 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 22, 2019

ATTENDANCE: 77



**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.

Prayers for:

- Good care and healing for Judy
- The YAVs, as they start a new year with transitions.
- Dawn, as her knee heals
- Those with too much rain (floodwaters), and those without
- Elizabeth's son, Allen, who will have knee surgery soon

Thanks for:

- The good support from the congregation while Elizabeth's knee heals as well as Dawn's knee
- Charmaine's son, Gabe, who is five years cancer free!
- The Braun's daughter, Jennifer, on her birthday
- Praise and thanksgiving for a safe trip and for Joy's grandchild to be born
- Wayne Butler, who will be interviewed about his WW11 experience
- Carlton's 80th birthday

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 Macrander, Connie Wortman

HOSPITALITY: Judy Hans, Dan Engeljohn

GREETERS: 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.*

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!

CHURCH SAFETY: The Session of Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church is currently reviewing our congregation's safety policies and practices, for the good of all who assemble here. Some safety upgrades have already been made, such as the installation of emergency lights in the church office, near the Room 5 individual restroom, and above the counter in Room 2 of the multi-purpose building. Safety-related comments or questions may be shared with Mary Ann Butler, Elder for Worship & Music.



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.



Policy Statement on
Gun Violence of the
Presbyterian Church
(USA)-

A Faithful Discussion:

Monday, October 14 at 2:00 p.m.

The policy statement on gun violence approved by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) is a social witness policy statement, presented for the guidance and edification of both church and society. It is recommended to all Presbyterian Church (USA) congregations and members for prayerful study, dialogue, and action. To meet that need at Mountain Shadows, the Learning Ministry Team will host a discussion of the Presbyterian Church (USA) Policy Statement on Gun Violence on Monday, October 14 at 2:00 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to read the policy statement beforehand. Pick up a copy on the sign-up sheet display table at church.

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.



The flowers today are donated by Therese Griffin in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and Peace.



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

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David Raffety

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.