

## NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE SCHEDULE:

**Sunday, December 31:**

**10:00 a.m. – One-Service Sunday**

**BOTH REV. CHANDLER AND REV. DICK WILL BE TAKING MONDAYS OFF. They will be on-call for any emergencies.**

**ELDERS, DEACONS, BOARD AND SOL TEAM LEADERSHIP RETREAT – SATURDAY, JANUARY 20.** Kelley and Owen will lead a one-day workshop of training and exploring as we look at a huge year ahead. Details forthcoming regarding the location of the workshop. **Because of this Retreat, the Board of Directors and the Sol Team will not meet in January.** They will resume their regular meeting dates in February. **Elders will meet on Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> and then resume their regular meeting date in February, which is the first Tuesday of the month.**

**PLEDGES** – If you have not already done so, please email your pledges to [fran@saguarochristian.org](mailto:fran@saguarochristian.org) as soon as possible so we have an accurate accounting to see how our 2018 budget looks. Thank you all for sharing your part in SCC's mission. Margi Lott, Director of Finance

**IF YOU PURCHASED A POINSETTIA(S) PLEASE TAKE THEM THIS SUNDAY.** We appreciate very much having these beautiful flowers to decorate the Sanctuary during the Advent season.

**BRADY OUTREACH GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE DUE JANUARY 15, 2018.** Funds are awarded for areas including neighborhood, community, world/global, Basic Mission Finance, new church development and ideas beyond the scope of our church development. Requests are not limited to church-related projects but are considered for humanitarian efforts and outreach as well. Groups should not apply for funding that will be used for institutional sustainment (salaries, rent, etc.) but rather for specific, preferably new, needs/projects within an organization. There are so many deserving groups out there, think about it. Won't you be an advocate for one? Applications are available in the church office and should be returned by January 15 to be considered for first quarter awards. Forms are available in the church office. For more information contact Lauryn Valladarez at [laurynsandra@gmail.com](mailto:laurynsandra@gmail.com)



**Saturday, 12/30**

**Sunday, 12/31**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE  
10:00 AM -ONE-SERVICE SUNDAY  
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

**Monday, 1/1**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY  
Offices are closed**

**Tuesday, 1/2**

**10 am Staff meeting**

**Wednesday, 1/3**

**11:00 am – Chapel  
12:00 noon – Brown Bag  
4:00 pm – Finance Committee  
5:30 pm – Community Dinner  
7:00 pm – Shelter  
7:00 pm – Knitters**

**Thursday, 1/4**

**4:30 pm – STEM Scouts**

**Friday, 1/5**

**Saturday, 1/6**

**Sunday, 1/7**

**Epiphany Sunday  
\*Regular Services  
\*Note: At the 11 am service, we will honor Rev. Clayton Gooden with the hanging of his stole**

**9:45 am – Adult Education  
12:00 noon – Primavera Prep**

❖ **EACH WEEK – IN THIS SPOT – WE WILL BE HIGHLIGHTING AN ASPECT OF OUR CHURCH LIFE.**

***This week we want to highlight the ENVP – housed on our church campus.***

**AN UPDATE ON THE EASTSIDE NEIGHBORS VOLUNTEER PROGRAM** -- We are a volunteer program which provides services to the elderly/seniors of Tucson. We provide transportation, friendly visits, friendly phone calls, shop for (homebound seniors) and limited home maintenance. Any tasks that require a ladder, we do not do. Our boundaries for **transportation** run from Houghton to Campbell and Irvington to Fort Lowell, and Tanque Verde. Our boundaries for **clients** run from Houghton to Swan, and Irvington to Tanque Verde. We currently have 300 clients and 100 volunteers. We are always looking for volunteers to join our wonderful organization. If you have any questions, please call us at 245-4729. We would like to thank Saguaro Christian staff and members for supporting us over these past years.

**SAGUARO RINGERS AND CHOIR WILL BEGIN REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10. SHELTER WILL START BACK ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> AT 7:00 p.m.**

**WHEN CHRISTIANS GET IT WRONG, BY ADAM HAMILTON, STARTS ON JANUARY 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m..** This six-week study tackles the issues young adults say they have with Christianity and the church and how's and why's of Christians getting it right when it comes to being Christ in the world. The goal is to keep the younger generations involved in church. There is a 10-12 minute DVD with each lesson in the student's book. This will be taught by Margaret Kessler.

**WITH THE HOLIDAYS, OUR ELDER'S PANTRY IS IN NEED OF FOOD –LIKE NEVER BEFORE!** Items needed are UNOPENED Pasta, Rice, Canned or Dry Beans, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruit, Soup (NOT BROTH), Pasta Sauce, Canned Meat, Peanut Butter. **And, please check the expiration dates!** Bring an item or a bag full! Any questions – contact K C Estes

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES** – Please be in prayer for our missionaries serving through Global Ministries. During this week, we lift up Maria Bakalian in Thailand. For more information regarding our missionaries, overseas partners, or how you can make a difference, visit: [www.globalministries.org](http://www.globalministries.org)

**THE FINANCIAL PEACE SEMINAR, ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO BEGIN ON SUNDAY, APRIL 8 – ONE WEEK AFTER EASTER.**

**SERVICES FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31**

**10:00 a.m. ONE-SERVICE SUNDAY**

**Scripture**

**Psalm 148**

**Sermon Scripture:**

**Galatians 4: 4-7**

**Message:**

**“The Fullness of Freedom”**

**Elders:**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Annette Armstrong (Offering)**

**Susan Keenan (Communion)**

**Scripture Reader:**

**Gwen Elbert**

**Acolyte:**

**Kia Meyer**

**Children's Moment:**

**Michelle Gusick**

**Children's Worship & Wonder:**

**Michelle Gusick**

**Home Communion:**

**Nick Makres**

**Property On-Call Person this week:**

**Dave Crobbe**

**SAGUARO IS GOING TO THE MOXIE MATTERS TOUR** featuring Nicole Nordeman and Jen Hatmaker (google them, they are pretty awesome):

**Friday, February 16, 2018, 7-10 p.m.**

**St Andrew Presbyterian Church, [7950 N Paseo del Norte](#).**

Join us for a lively evening full of conversation, laughter, and heart-felt music.

Delighting in the mess of life is essential to living a life full of wonder, imagination and fun. Saguaro has 20 tickets to this show. See Kelley if you want a ticket. (Kelley might be able to get more if there is a need) Cost is 28.00. The show is geared toward women, but all are invited.

**TICKETS FOR "THE LONE STRANGER" AT THE GASLIGHT THEATRE ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18**, are available from Terry Bagwell for \$27 each. Of that price, \$5.00 goes to a scholarship for a University of Arizona College of Education junior or senior sponsored by Pima County School Retirees. Come have a good time and support a worthwhile cause! (Tickets for children are slightly less.)

**2ND SATURDAYS DOWNTOWN IS FEATURING FREE SHREK OUTDOOR MOVIE EVENTS.** The next movie is on January 13 at 5:45 p.m.: "Shrek Forever" For more information go to [www.tucsonhistoricdepot.org](http://www.tucsonhistoricdepot.org)

### **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 10 AM – ONE SERVICE SUNDAY**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 7:00 PM – SHELTER RESUMES REHEARSALS**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 9:45 AM – ADULT EDUCATION CLASS – "WHEN CHRISTIANS GET IT WRONG"**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 – ALL MUSIC GROUPS RESUME REGULAR SCHEDULES**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 – LEADERSHIP RETREAT FOR BOARD MEMBERS, DEACONS, ELDERS, AND SOL TEAM MEMBERS**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 8:00-11:00 AM – POW WOW (Produce on Wheels Without Waste) IN THE PARKING LOT**

# **HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

*THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:*



Life is 10% what happens to  
you and 90% how you react  
to it.

Charles R. Swindoll