

## Lamorinda's Religious Services



► **SUNDAY Worship**, 9:00 & 11:00 AM, with programs for 3-mos.-12th grade.

► **SEEDLINGS Preschool**, M-F

► **LOPC: Where everyone is welcome, nobody is perfect & anything is possible with God.**

LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
**LOPC.org**

### ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

24 Orinda Way (next to the Library) - 254-4212

**Sunday Service and Sunday School** 10 - 11 am  
Informal Wednesday Meeting 7:30 - 8:30 pm  
Reading Room/Bookstore M - F 11 - 4; Sat 11 - 2

www.christianscienceorinda.org



**Worship the Lord!**  
Sundays, 9 & 10:30am

MORAGA VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
10 Moraga Valley Lane, Moraga CA  
www.mvpcotoday.org • 925-376-4800

### Willow Spring Community Church

Loving God Loving People

*Come and Meet our New Pastor*

**Sundays:** 9:15am Adult Sunday School Classes  
10:15am Pre-Service Fellowship (Free Coffee & Bagels)  
10:45am Contemporary Worship Service

**Wednesdays:** 10:00am Community Bible Study

1689 School Street, Moraga (925) 376-3550

www.willowspringchurch.net

### Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church

433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422  
www.holyshpherd.org



8:30 a.m. Traditions Worship Service  
9:50 a.m. Education for all ages  
10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service  
Coffee Fellowship at 9:30 and 11:45 a.m.  
Childcare available for ages 5 and younger

### SAINT GILES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9am Sunday School & Communion Service in the SMC Chapel



stgiles-moraga.org  
(925) 376-5770  
traditional liturgy + inclusive theology

### The Orinda Community Church

An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ

10 Irwin Way, Orinda | 925.254.4906 | www.orindachurch.org

*"No matter who you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"*

Join us Sundays at 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m

### St. Anselm's Episcopal Church

A Loving Community

**Sunday Services: 8 and 10 AM**

In-church Youth Zone, 10 AM Nursery Childcare  
682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, 284-7420, www.stanselms.ws



### Lafayette United Methodist Church

955 Moraga Rd., Lafayette,  
284-4765, office@thelumc.org

**Worship** Sunday 10 am  
**Children & Teen Faith Formation** Sunday 10 am  
**Teen Fellowship** Sunday 6 pm  
**Study Groups, Service Opportunities** Various  
**Free Community Luncheon** 4th Sunday of Month 11:30 am



### St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda  
254-3770. www.ststephensorinda.org

Sunday 8am, 10am & 5:30p.m. Casual Eucharist

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### ART

**Lafayette Art Gallery November Exhibit: "Gifts to Remember"** – the Lafayette Art Gallery will be featuring unique gifts for the Holiday season. Artists are creating one-of-a-kind pieces that can make holiday gift giving truly individualized. Also, the Lafayette Art Gallery will feature an all-new selection of paintings, photographs, ceramics, sculpture and jewelry that offer multiple options for unique gifts, or original artwork to grace your walls. Reception from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14.

**The Bancroft Library Gallery presents "California: Captured on Canvas"** – an exhibit of 43 remarkable paintings from the library's collection highlighting the state's history and culture that have drawn people to California from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. thru March 6, 2015, UC Berkeley Campus, Doe Library Annex.

**"Fall Forward" - A multi-media group exhibit opening** at the Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 features six East Bay artists. Of particular note is the variety of medium and how that presents as a whole. Artists have an infinite tool box; their choice of materials say something about their point of view.

**Annual Artisan and Wine Faire from 4 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday** Nov. 13 inside the Orinda Country Club, 315 Camino Sobrante in Orinda will showcase 27 local artists. The distinctive artwork and crafts will include ceramics, paintings, fiber art, woodwork, stained glass, jewelry and more.

**"Quilts in Jest" - A time-honored craft wittily transformed** into social commentary by fiber artist Phyllis Kluger at the Walnut Creek Public Library Community Art Gallery, 1644 N. Broadway, Walnut Creek. The show runs from Nov. 19 through Jan. 15 with an opening reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19. For info, visit bedfordgallery.org/exhibitions/cag.shtml or call (925) 977-3340.

**The Moraga Art Gallery's new show entitled "Waters of the Koi"** highlights the bright, colorful abstract paintings of Heather Metcalf, and the exquisitely turned-wood platters, bowls and vases of Jacques Blumer. The show will run through Jan. 11, 2015. The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. For more info, visit www.moragaartgallery.com or call (925) 376-5407.

**Four new exhibitions at Saint Mary's College Museum of Art:** "Pueblo to Pueblo: The Legacy of Southwest Indian Pottery" will feature a remarkable variety of pottery from mid-19th to the mid-20th century; "The Native American Collection of Roger Epperson;" "Grace Hudson: Painter of the Pomo People;" and "William Keith and the Native American." Museum hours are Wednesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission: Adults \$5; members and K-12 graders free (parking free). For info, call (925) 631-4379 or visit stmarys-ca.edu/museum.

### MUSIC

**"The Sorcerer's Apprentice Meets the Hobbit,"** a musical journey into the heart of the fantastical by the Pacific Chamber Symphony, Lawrence Kohl, conductor, will play at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 in the Community Hall of the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. Tickets: \$10-\$35; free for children accompanied by a paying adult. Tickets are available at www.brownpapertickets.com or by calling 1-800-838-3006.

**Moraga Juniors Women's Club presents Super Pajama Jam 2014** from 9:30 to noon Saturday, Nov. 15 at The New Rheim Theatre, 350 Park Street, Moraga. Doors open at 9:30 a.m., the dance party commences at 10 a.m., and a concert by Andy Z will start at 10:30 a.m. Cost: \$10. For more info, visit www.moragajuniors.org/events/pajama-jam/ or email kimberly.watkins@yahoo.com.

**Voci Women's Vocal Ensemble, directed by Dr. Anne Hege,** presents "Voices in Peace XIII: Birth and Beginnings," an exploration of the power and fragility of beginnings. Selections from Gustav Holst's Choral Hymns from the Rig Veda, as well as works by Ysaye Barnwell, Claude Debussy, Pekka Koskinen, Jude Navari, Arvo Pärt, Karin

Rehnqvist, Hector Villa-Lobos and others portray the magical energy found in dawn, birth, and transitions at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 at St. Mary Magdalen Parish, 2005 Berryman St, Berkeley and at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22 at St. Perpetua Catholic Church, 3445 Hamlin Rd., Lafayette. Tickets: \$25 suggested donation at the door; \$20 advance; \$15 students; free for children 6-12 years old. For info, visit www.vocisings.com or call (510) 531-8714.

**A community sing of Handel's Messiah will be held** at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5 at Orinda's St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. The Sing will be directed by Minister of Music Robert Train Adams, with Festival Choir, soloists and chamber orchestra. This event is free, with an offering taken for the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties. Childcare is available by reservation. For more information contact the church at office@ststephensorinda.org or (925) 254-3770 x10.

### THEATER

**DVC Drama presents "The Wedding Singer"** through Nov. 9. Show Times are 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; 2:30 p.m. Sunday Nov. 9. For tickets, call (925) 969-2358 or visit www.dvc-drama.net. DVC Drama is located at 321 Golf Club Rd, Pleasant Hill with free parking for all performances.

**Miramonte Players present Mary Zimmerman's "Arabian Nights"** at 7 p.m. Nov. 5, 6 and 7. Though written in 2005 and performed with critical acclaim at Berkeley Rep, the play is an adaptation of the 9th century folklore, the 1001 Arabian Nights. The play focuses on a peasant girl named Sheherezade who saves her own life by telling stories to her would-be killer King Sharyar. Audiences can look forward to an ensemble cast that helps move these multi-layered stories forward through original music created and played by the cast, song, belly dancing, and more. Tickets are available on the Miramonte web store at https://miramonte.revtrak.net.

**Acalanes DramaDons presents "Almost, Maine,"** directed by Ed Meehan. The entertaining romantic comedy runs at 7 p.m. Nov. 6, 7, 13, 14 and 15 in the Acalanes Performing Arts Center Little Theatre. Please join the Acalanes DramaDons for a charming, witty and humorous evening. Advance ticket sales available through the AHS Web store and on campus during lunch. Limited tickets are available at the door: \$10 adults; \$7 students and seniors.

### LECTURE & LITERATURE

**Pam Withers, co-author of Jump-Starting Boys,** will share her specialized knowledge of helping boys succeed in school and life at 6:30 p.m. Thursday Nov. 6, at the Orinda Library. Pam will present her top tips on parenting boys and helping them get excited about learning. The program covers the following topics: why do boys struggle more than girls; seven things parents can do; how to connect boys with reading and easy ways to increase confidence and performance. For more information call the Orinda Library at (925) 254-2184.

**MVPC will be hosting a parenting seminar on Parenting the Modern Family: Raising a Healthy Family in a Modern World** with author and communicator Craig Jutila at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13 at 10 Moraga Valley Lane, Moraga. Tickets: \$5 per person. Registration for tickets and childcare is available online at www.mvpcotoday.org.

### KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

**Parenting organization Lamorinda Moms will host** the 17th annual Preschool Fair designed to help parents find the perfect preschool for their children in the East Bay from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14 at the Oakwood Athletic Club, 4000 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Directors and teachers from more than 40 local preschools will be available to discuss their programs and answer questions. Free. Children are welcome to attend.

### OTHER

**Saint Mary's College of California presents the SMC One Planet Film Festival 2014** through Nov. 18 – a free film series focusing on sustainability sponsored by the college's department

of environmental and earth science. Schedule "How Many People Can Live on Planet Earth?" at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11 and "What A Way To Go: Life at the End of Empire" at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18. For info, visit www.stmarys-ca.edu/smc-one-planet-film-festival-2014-0.

**Inner Light: Openness and Peace Workshop** hosted by Dharma College from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 with instructor: Robin Caton. In this interactive workshop, engage in lively discussion, and work with contemplative exercises, as you explore the nature of the human mind and develop tools for experiencing a more peaceful, open and satisfying life. For more information, visit dharma-college.com or call (510) 809-2010 ext. 676, Dharma College, 2222 Harold Way, Berkeley. Cost: \$25.

**Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church will host a "Mission Market"** from Sunday, Nov. 9 through Sunday, Nov. 16. The community is invited to purchase more meaningful holiday gifts that can change the world – gifts may include school supplies or tuition for children, local and around the world, as well as shelter and meals through the Bay Area Rescue Mission or orphans in Congo. All purchases include a gift card you can deliver to friends and family in lieu of traditional gifts. For info call (925) 376-4800, or visit www.mvpcotoday.org.

**Moraga Movers Dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday**, Nov. 10 in the Soda Center, Saint Mary's College, will feature speaker Joel Roster, artistic director, Lafayette Town Hall Theatre, who will discuss "What Happens Before the Curtain Goes Up?" including all that is involved in bringing a performance to the stage (e.g. why was the play chosen, selection of the cast, rehearsal details). Cost: \$20 per person at the door. For reservations call (925) 376-6622 or visit www.moragamovers.org.

**African - Guatemalan Bazaar coming to Lafayette from 8 a.m. to noon** Sunday, Nov. 16 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane. View and purchase beautiful, hand-crafted, unique items from two different parts of the world. Jewelry, baskets, tablecloths, handbags, batiks, scarves, clothing, wood and soapstone carved items, and much more. Bring your own shopping bag to carry home your treasures. For more info, contact Pat at patwirgdaily@gmail.com.

**Harvest Faire Annual Sale and Luncheon to benefit** the Saint Mary's College Scholarship fund runs 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12 and also from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13 in the Soda Center on the SMC campus. Complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres will be available. After shopping you can relax and enjoy a scrumptious Thanksgiving luncheon that will be served at noon on Thursday. Tickets: \$27. For info, contact Cyndie Harrison: (925) 820-8002 or email cyndie@cyn-die.net.

**The League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley invites** community members to their monthly meeting from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15 in the Cedar Room of the Lafayette Community Center, 500 St. Mary's Road. The guest speaker for November is Louise Bourassa, the executive director of the Contra Costa Interfaith Housing Program. She will discuss homelessness and the Zero: 2016 campaign. Light refreshments will be served and the event is free.

**Fire Blight removal – Volunteers** are needed, ages 8 and up, to prune 50 remaining trees with damaged branches from the 101-year-old pear orchard adjacent to Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School in Moraga from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 15 and 16. The Fire Blight infection threatened to kill this historic orchard, which each year provides much-needed pears for the Contra Costa Food Bank. Reply to barbarampreston@comcast.net with which day and number of adults and children (ages) and what tools you will bring.

**Moraga Women's Society will hold their annual Brunch**, Bridge and Bunko fundraiser from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 17 at Holy Trinity Cultural Center, 1700 School St., Moraga. Cost: \$35 per person. For info, call (925) 376-3187. All proceeds benefit Moraga Schools and Library.

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