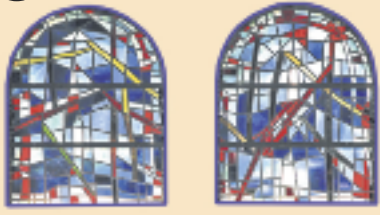


## Lamorinda's Religious Services



### Lafayette United Methodist Church

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

**Worship** Sunday 10 am  
**Children & Teen Faith Formation** Sunday 10 am  
**Teen Fellowship** Sunday 6 pm

*Opportunities for Worship, Love, Service*

► **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**

### Worship the Lord

& Celebrate Our 25<sup>th</sup> Year of Building Hope in Mexico

one service & lunch  
April 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am

MORAGA VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
10 Moraga Valley Lane • www.mvpc.today.org • 925-376-4800

### ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

#### Curing The Incurable

Learn how prayer can heal cancer, rheumatoid arthritis, anorexia.

Apr. 10, 7:30 p.m. Orinda Library  
www.christianscienceorinda.org 254-4212

### 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.willow.springchurch.net

### Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church

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

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship  
9:40 a.m. Education for all ages  
10:45 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
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

### St Stephen's Episcopal Church

66 St. Stephen's Drive, Orinda  
254-3770. www.ststephenorinda.org  
Sunday 8am, 10am

### 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

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### ART

**Lafayette Art Gallery's current exhibit "Trending"** will be open through May 2, with a free reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 10. The Gallery is located at The Forge, 3420 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday – Saturday; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Closed on Monday. For more info, call (925) 284-2788 or visit www.lafayetteartgallery.com.

**Bedford Gallery's next exhibition, "The Object and the Void: West Coast Metal Sculpture,"** will run through April 12. This show gathers works from renowned artists Bella Feldman, Linda Fleming, Yoshitomo Saito and Clay Jensen. The exhibition will feature both large and small scale works, made using techniques from cast bronze to cut steel, demonstrating the artists' masterful command of their media.

**The Moraga Art Gallery announces a new show** entitled "Transitions" featuring the one-of-a-kind, Asia-accented jewelry of Lafayette's own master jeweler K. de Groot, and a collection of Raku and pit-fired pottery by guest artist Mary Leigh Miller of Moraga. The show opens April 18 and will run until May 30. The public is invited to attend an opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 18 to see the exhibit, have some wine, meet the artists, and enjoy the company of other Lamorinda art lovers.

### MUSIC

**Pacific Chamber Symphony presents "An Italian Feast"** at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 17 at the Lafayette Library Community Hall, 3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd. The Orchestra's 26th season closes with Karl Ditters von Dittersdorf's Symphony No. 1 in C, "The Four Ages of Man" and Felix Mendelssohn's "Italian" Symphony No. 4 with Ron Blais, trumpet soloist. Tickets \$10-35 at www.brownpapertickets.com or 1 (800) 838-3006.

**WomenSing presents Treble Voices Now New Music Festival** from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. WomenSing and Quinteto Latino present the first public reading of a jointly commissioned new work by Jose-Luis Hurtado. Free. For more info, go to <http://womensing.org/concerts/current-season/> or call (925) 798-4875 or email [info@womensing.org](mailto:info@womensing.org).

**Pianopalooza! At 4 p.m. Sunday, April 26, three** Bay Area pianists – David Olachea, Randy Creighton and Martin Morley – present the finest in piano literature on an outstanding 9-foot concert grand on loan from Oakland's Piedmont Piano Company. Works by Chopin, Alkan, Prokofiev, Scriabin, Ravel, Ginastera, Gershwin and Creighton. Free. Our Savior's Lutheran Church Concert Series, 1035 Carol Lane in Lafayette. For info, visit [www.oslc.net](http://www.oslc.net) or call (925) 283-3722.

**WomenSing's Choral Composers Symposium and Workshop.** Words into Music Symposium Friday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saint Mary's College (Hagerty Lounge), Moraga, and the Youth Inspiring Youth Composers Workshop, Saturday, April 28, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Lafayette Events Center, Lafayette. The choral composition panel features composers Libby Larsen and Sandra Milliken, poet Francisco Alarcon and conductor Martin Benvenuto. Free, reservations required. For luncheon or panel discussion time reservations, email [info@womensing.org](mailto:info@womensing.org) no later than Wednesday, April 25. For more info, visit [www.womensing.org](http://www.womensing.org) or call (925) 974-9169 or email [info@womensing.org](mailto:info@womensing.org).

**Fifth Annual Lafayette Community Music Festival** - Town Hall's signature acoustic music event – at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 2. This year's line up: Other People's Money, Mark Stanley From Rock Island, Pat Nevins, Kiki Stack's All-Stars, Clive Worsley & Friends, Mike Miller. Tickets: \$30 advance; \$35 at the door.

**Voci Women's Vocal Ensemble, directed by Anne Hege,** presents "Women with a Vision: The Lasting Influence of Hildegard von Bingen and Nadia Boulanger," a concert celebrating the roles that two great female composers have played in shaping the course of music and the trajectory of new music at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 3 at St. Perpetua

Catholic Parish, 3445 Hamlin Rd. Lafayette. Tickets: \$25 suggested donation at the door; \$20 advance; \$15 students. For advanced tickets, visit [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com) or [www.vocisings.com](http://www.vocisings.com). For info, call (510) 531-8714.

**Maestro David Morales and The Cantare Con Vivo Chamber Ensemble** join with the renowned Bay Area instrumental ensemble Quijjeremá for Music of Latin America May 6 at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette. The audience will be treated to a concert filled with stirring selections from various South and Central American countries, the Caribbean Islands and Mexico. The history of a great people that dominate our hemisphere will come alive through their music, narration and pictures. Tickets: \$25 General, \$20 Senior, \$10 Youth. For tickets visit [www.cantareconvivo.org](http://www.cantareconvivo.org) or call the CCV office at (510) 836-0789.

### THEATER

**Crosslight Theater will kick off its first production** since being formed in January 2015 by the merger of Contra Costa Christian Theater and Center Stage of Diablo Valley with "Seussical the Musical" for seven shows over two weekends in April at Walnut Creek's Del Valle Theater, located at 1630 Tice Valley Blvd. This imaginative, energetic, engaging production features the singing, dancing and acting talents of 30 local actors and is sure to delight adults and children alike. For tickets and showtimes visit [www.crosslighttheater.org](http://www.crosslighttheater.org) or [www.lesherartscenter.org](http://www.lesherartscenter.org).

**The Acalanes DramaDons present "The Rimers of Eldritch,"** directed by Ed Meehan. The highly imaginative and affecting drama, with a political bite, runs at 7 p.m. April 29 and 30, and May 1 and 2 in the Acalanes Performing Arts Center Little Theatre. Advance ticket sales available through the AHS Web store and on campus during lunch. Limited ticket sales are available at the door. All proceeds benefit Acalanes Performing Arts Boosters-Drama. Tickets: \$10 adults; \$7 students and seniors. For more info, visit <http://dramadons.org/>.

**"Shrek The Musical JR" at Orinda Intermediate School,** 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. April 30 and May 1 and 5 p.m. May 2 at 80 Ivy Drive, Orinda. Ticket prices range from \$3 - \$10 and are available for advance purchase at [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com). Tickets will also be sold at the door. (See story page B9)

**The Acalanes High School DramaDons theater group** presents "Hamlet," a fast-paced adaptation of Shakespeare's greatest tragedy by Bay Area playwright/director Jon Tracy explores the bonds of youth and the influence that their elders exert on them, May 2-5, 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$10 general; \$7 students/seniors at [www.dramadons.org](http://www.dramadons.org) or at the door.

### LECTURE & LITERATURE

**First Friday Forum will feature Ken Wiseman,** executive director of the Parks Forward Commission speaking on "Parks Forward: A New Project to Protect State Parks in California" at 1:30 p.m. Friday, April 10 in the Sanctuary of Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette (second Friday because of Good Friday) with refreshments at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Free.

**Documentary Photographer Matt Herron will speak** at Orinda Community Church, 10 Irwin Way, Orinda, at 11:30 a.m. and again at 2:30 p.m. April 12 about his experience covering the Civil Rights movement in the Deep South during the summer of 1964. Herron, a photojournalist since 1962 covered the struggle for Life, Look, Time, Newsweek, and the Saturday Evening Post magazines, and also provided pictures for the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee. His recent book, "Mississippi Eyes," documents the process of social change in the South. Free. For more info, call (925) 254-8754.

**The Storytelling Association of California** (<http://www.storiesaac.org>) presents a family friendly festival of oral narratives, poetry, workshops, music and more from 6:30 to 9 p.m. April 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. April 25, and from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 26 at the Orinda Community Center, 28 Orinda Way. For more info, call (510) 869-4946 or email [info@bayareastorytelling.org](mailto:info@bayareastorytelling.org).

### KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

**2015 Poul Anderson Writing Contest - open to all students** who reside and/or attend high school in Orinda. Entry categories are science fiction, essay/memoir, poetry and short story. Students may submit one entry in any of the four categories for a total of not more than three entries. Submission deadline is noon on Friday, April 17. If you have any questions about the contest, email [contest@friendsoftheorindalibrary.com](mailto:contest@friendsoftheorindalibrary.com).

**Contra Costa Jewish Day School, Temple Isaiah, PJ Library,** The Jewish Federation of the East Bay present Shadow puppetry and music with Daniel Barash, The Shadow Puppet Workshop from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, April 26 at Contra Costa Jewish Day School, 955 Risa Road, Lafayette. Celebrating Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israel's Independence Day. Free. For info, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/1506615376221150/>.

### EARTH DAY FESTIVITIES

**Wildlife/Earth Day Festival from noon to 4:30 p.m.** Sunday, April 19 at the Nature Area of Wagner Ranch Elementary School, 350 Camino Pablo in Orinda. Entertainment by an Earth Tribute Band and student musicians, photo contest (info at [fvma.org](http://fvma.org)), participate in arts and crafts, live raptors for viewing and education, bee display, student recycling projects, solar project displays and more. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Free.

**Lafayette's 10th annual Earth Day Festival** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 26 at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. This special anniversary event, hosted by Sustainable Lafayette, Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, Lafayette Library and the City of Lafayette, will focus on green transportation options and feature hundreds of Lafayette community members arriving at the event on foot, bikes, skateboards and other self-propelled means to enjoy food, fun, entertainment, and discover the latest ideas and approaches for living a more sustainable life. The Earth Day Festival will also feature live music, art, storytelling, a scavenger hunt and conservation-themed displays. For more info, visit [www.sustainable-lafayette.org](http://www.sustainable-lafayette.org).

### OTHER

**10th annual Sudden Oak Death Blitz survey** by UC-sponsored volunteers to provide data for academic analyses can come to the Garden Room at the Orinda Library, 26 Orinda Way, at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 11 for a one-hour session on SOD and the Blitz leaf collection protocol with UC professor and SOD Blitz founder Dr. Matteo Garbelotto, then collect leaves from areas and at times of your choosing through Sunday, April 12. Visit [www.sodblitz.org](http://www.sodblitz.org) for more info. For space and material planning purposes, email William Hudson at [willhh@gmail.com](mailto:willhh@gmail.com) if you plan to come.

**Second annual Dogtown Downtown from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Saturday, April 11. Dog Parade at 10 a.m. from the Lafayette Plaza Park to the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. In addition to the parade there will be demonstrations, exhibits and contests. (See story page A3)

**The Orinda Starlight Village Players (ORSVP)** is holding season auditions at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 12 at the Orinda Community Center Park Amphitheater and at 7 p.m. Monday, April 13 in the Orinda Community Center carpentry room. You will be asked to read from scripts provided. For more info, call Jill at (925) 528-9225 or email [info@orsvp.org](mailto:info@orsvp.org).

**Remember, Renew and Refill: a Journey Through Grief** – a workshop and luncheon to honor lost loved ones from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18 at Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church, 10 Moraga Valley Lane, Moraga. Opening and Closing Speakers will be Dianne West, executive director of Moraga Royale, and author Diane Shore. Breakout sessions will be led by Jeffrey Ismael, bereavement services manager for Vitas Hospice, and Marilyn Hunt, LMFT. Free. Reservations are requested: (925) 376-4800 ext. 285 or [www.mvpc.today.org](http://www.mvpc.today.org).

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