

# HAPPY NEW YEAR



... from the Lamorinda Weekly team.

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## Lamorinda's Religious Services



JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

New Year's Eve at 9:30 am  
Sundays starting January 7 at 9:30 am & 5 pm

10 Moraga Valley Lane | www.mvpctoday.org | 925.376.4800

### Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church 433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422 www.holyshepherd.org



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

**Worship Schedule November 26 – January 7**  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Coffee Fellowship at 10:30 a.m.



### Sunday Sacrament Service at 10AM

Scripture Study &  
Youth Programs

Everyone welcome!

3776 Via Granada, Moraga



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 a.m. | Sunday School 10 a.m.



### Lafayette United Methodist Church

955 Moraga Road 925.284.4765 thelumc.org  
Sunday 10am Worship and Faith Formation for all ages

Opportunities to Love God, Love Others,  
and Serve the World

### 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-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Where all are welcome, nobody is perfect,  
and anything is possible with God.



- Sunday Worship 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
- Programs for all ages
- Guest Speakers & Workshops
- So much more! Connect with us today!

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### 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

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### ART

**Moraga Gallery Holiday Boutique.** The current show at the Moraga Art Gallery, featuring the K. De Groot's Asia-accented jewelry, continues through Jan. 6. In addition, member and guest artists are displaying a bounty of one-of-a-kind gifts: jewelry, paintings, scarves, ceramics, photographs, woodware, tree ornaments, greeting cards, and more. The gallery, 522 Center Street in Moraga's Rheem Shopping Center, is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. until Christmas. For more information, go to [www.moragaartgallery.com](http://www.moragaartgallery.com), call (925) 376-5407 or email [moragaartgallery@gmail.com](mailto:moragaartgallery@gmail.com).

### MUSIC

**In the Name of Love, The 16th Annual Musical Tribute** Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 14 at Oakland Scottish Rite Center, 1547 Lakeside Dr., Oakland. Tickets: \$25- \$40; children 12 and under- \$8-\$12. Purchase at [Livingjazz.org/mlktribute](http://Livingjazz.org/mlktribute). Additional information- (510) 858-5313 or visit <https://www.livingjazz.org/mlktribute/>

**San Francisco Performances presents** Alexander String Quartet with host and lecturer Robert Greenberg from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13 at St. John's Presbyterian Church, Berkeley, 2727 College Avenue, Berkeley. San Francisco Performances presents the final concert of Part 1 in the Saturday series with the Alexander String Quartet and Robert Greenberg. Cost: \$45. For more info see <https://sfperformances.org/performances/1718/ASQBerkeley.html> or call 415-392-2545 or email [info@sfperformances.org](mailto:info@sfperformances.org).

**Voci Women's Vocal Ensemble, the Bay Area's premier women's vocal ensemble,** has openings for experienced women singers for its Spring 2018 season – particularly altos. Voci rehearses Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10 p.m. in Orinda and performs primarily in the East Bay. Auditions will be held through Jan 17. Spring concert dates are Feb. 11, April 15 and April 21. For more information or to schedule an audition please contact Artistic Director Mitchell Covington at [music@mitchellcovington.com](mailto:music@mitchellcovington.com). More info at [www.vocisings.org](http://www.vocisings.org).

**Ensemble ARI, a group of Korean American musicians** in the Bay Area dedicated to classical music that connects to the community, will be collaborating with Calystone, an early music ensemble that specializes in the music of Western Europe from the 13th through the 15th centuries, for a performance at 8 p.m. Jan. 26 in the Saint Mary's College Chapel. Strings will play with non vibrato, as if they are

gut strings (in the style of 15th century). The free concert will feature music by Brahms, Gordon, and 15th century German composers.

### THEATER

**Days Without End by Eugene O'Neill** at 8 p.m. on Jan. 6 and 2 p.m. on Jan. 7 at the Museum of the San Ramon Valley, 205 Railroad Ave., Danville. John Loving's life is in crisis and he is trying to cope with it through the act of writing a book about it. The end of the story is the battleground over which the multiple sides of his personality fight. Days Without End is a fascinating look at the parallel emotional crises of an artist and his life and the interaction and blurring of the lines between. Tickets are \$25 and are available at <http://www.eugeneoneill.org/>.

### KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

**The Lafayette School District will be holding two Community Engagement Meetings** at 9 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 8 in the Stanley Middle School Library, 3455 School St., Lafayette. With state funding for local schools in constant flux, this will be an opportunity to learn more about the current state of local funding for Lafayette Schools and provide input on Lafayette School District's feasibility study, currently underway, to identify local funding solutions that will help protect Lafayette's local quality of education. Both meetings will provide the same information.

**Registration for Lafayette students** entering TK and Kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year will take place Jan. 16 and 17, 2018. In addition, an informational presentation, "A Roadmap to Kindergarten" will be held at Springhill Elementary, Multi-Purpose Room from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 11, for all interested parents in the school district. Further information can be found at [www.lafsd.org](http://www.lafsd.org).

### OTHER

**"Israel's Place in the World" with Shlomi Kofman** - Israel's Consul General in San Francisco to the Pacific Northwest at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11 at the Temple Isaiah Sanctuary at 945 Risa Road, Lafayette. This event is free of charge and open to the public. Community dessert reception to follow. More details and R.S.V.P. at [temple-isaiah.org/israelandworldjewry](http://temple-isaiah.org/israelandworldjewry).

**KPFA Radio 94.1 FM presents Bandy X. Lee** and Dee Mosbacher: The Dangerous Case of Donald Trump from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 17 at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Avenue, Berkeley. Bandy X. Lee and Lee Mosbacher

er discuss The Dangerous Case Against Donald Trump, answer questions and sign books. Hosted by Joanna Manqueros. Cost: \$12 advance, \$15 door. For more info see <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3210560> or call (510) 967-4495.

**Free Bankruptcy legal workshop** available through the Contra Costa Bar Association from 5 to 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18 at the CCC Bar Association, 2300 Clayton Road, ste. 530 in Concord. RSVP by calling (925) 370-2540 or online at <http://www.cccb.org/community/calendar>.

### SENIORS

**Sons in Retirement Lamorinda Branch 174** lunch meeting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10 at Holy Trinity Culture Center 1700 School Street, Moraga. The guest speaker will be Rick Cronk, who is one of the founders of Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream. For attendance and membership info, call Tyler at (925) 963-5741. Please visit: [www.branch174.sirinc2.org](http://www.branch174.sirinc2.org).

**Many older adults experience concerns** about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. A program of MOWSOS in partnership with Lamorinda Village, the 8-week program starts at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 12, at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church - Davies Room, 49 Knox Drive Lafayette. Registration is \$15. Call (925) 283-3500 for more information. <https://lamorinda.helpfulvillage.com/events/1498>

### GARDEN

**Lafayette Garden Club General Meeting "Raptors"** from 9:45 to noon on Thursday, Jan. 4 at the Lafayette Veteran's Building located at 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Lafayette Garden Club is pleased to present Jenny Papka, the founder and keeper of Native Bird Connections. She is a highly respected expert in raptor handling and education. Ms. Papka will speak about her work with raptors, their habitat, and how our gardens play a role. Visitors are welcome! Please email Carolyn Poetzsch [cpoetzsch@gmail.com](mailto:cpoetzsch@gmail.com) for information.

**Montelindo Garden Club Meeting (third Friday** of every month, September through May) will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 66 St. Stephens Drive, Orinda. Presentation: Fresh Ideas for Your Front Yard; speaker Janet Sluis, director of Sunset Western Garden Collection and a Berkeley-based horticulturist who will look at new trend-setting ideas for your California front yard.