

**CHRISTMAS**  
**Traditional Service** *Eve* **Family Service**  
**7:00 p.m.** In-Person + Livestream  
**8:30 p.m.** In-Person Only  
**3:00 p.m.** In-Person + Livestream  
**4:30 p.m.** In-Person Only  
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**Not to be missed**

**ART**

**Lamorinda Arts Alliance** announces a new exhibit at Bank of America, Lafayette, on Mt. Diablo Boulevard across from Safeway. The exhibit will be open through January 2022, during banking hours, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featured artists are Adrienne Rogers (watercolors), Ellen Reintjes (acrylic paintings) and Carolyn WarmSun (acrylic paintings). <http://LAA4Art.org>

**Art Gallery at the Orinda Library** – Lamorinda Arts Alliance "Inspired by the Greats." Lamorinda Arts Council welcomes 36 members of the Lamorinda Arts Alliance to an in-person and virtual exhibit including 80 artworks from different genres in December. [www.lamorindaarts.org/online-galleries](http://www.lamorindaarts.org/online-galleries). 26 Orinda Way. All COVID-19 precautions observed. (925) 359.9940 or [galler@lamorindaarts.org](mailto:galler@lamorindaarts.org).

**Noted local artist Geoffrey Meredith** will be featured as the guest artist at the Moraga Art Gallery for December and January, with 11 paintings in various sizes on display. The Gallery is normally open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. From Dec. 1 to 24 the gallery is open daily, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free, open to the public, no reservations needed. 432 Center St. Moraga [moragaartgallery.com](http://moragaartgallery.com); (925) 376-5407.

**56th Annual Holiday Collection** at Valley Art Gallery through Dec. 31. Our new gift exhibition includes a wide variety of beautifully crafted, ceramic, wood and

glass pieces, original designer jewelry, holiday decorations, small paintings and many other unique, one-of-a-kind gift items. In addition, we will be featuring a trunk from Dec. 7 - 11 from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. The trunk show will offer the creations of celebrated, multi-talented artisan Carolyn Russell, including her origami items, miniature Christmas trees and other decorative objects crafted from various materials. And, we will again have gift certificates available for giving. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Valley Art Gallery, 1661 Botelho Drive, Suite 110, Walnut Creek [www.valleyartgallery.org](http://www.valleyartgallery.org), (925) 935-4311

**Art show at Orinda Books.** December features the paintings of Paul Kratter – a skillful and accomplished landscape artist. Like many experienced fine-art painters, he comes from an illustration background that instills strong drawing and design skills and a robust belief in graphic shapes and storytelling. His paintings embody a sense of light, atmosphere, and emotion. To preview his work, visit the Artist of the Month section at [www.orindabooks.com/events](http://www.orindabooks.com/events).

**OTHER**

**Community Concern for Cats**, which serves Lamorinda residents, is hosting its annual "Holiday Giving Tree" Fundraiser through Dec. 31 at its upscale thrift store, Rescued Treasures, 1270 Newell Ave. in Walnut Creek at the San Miguel Shopping Center. All the proceeds will go toward life-saving procedures for

homeless cats and kittens in local neighborhoods. Hours: Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays noon to 4 p.m. For information call: (925) 937-3201.

**SMC cancels Christmas Mass** due to COVID concerns. Due to the continued threat of COVID-19, Saint Mary's College made the difficult decision to cancel the traditional public Christmas Eve Mass held annually in the Saint Mary's Chapel. SMC looks forward to welcoming the community back to campus to celebrate in 2022, and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

**GARDEN**

**The Walnut Creek Garden Club** welcomes the vaccinated public to visit their next meeting held Jan. 10, and to become a part of the Walnut Creek Garden Club. Shawna Anderson from Orchard Nursery shares her pruning tips for all types of roses. She will demonstrate techniques and the best tools for the job. Shawna is a garden consultant and designer and shares her passion for gardening through her business: Thrillers, Fillers and Spillers. If interested in joining the Club or for more information, please visit [www.walnutcreekgardenclub.org](http://www.walnutcreekgardenclub.org). Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 9:30 a.m., September through June at The Gardens at Heather Farm.

Please submit events to: [calendar@lamorindaweekly.com](mailto:calendar@lamorindaweekly.com)

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*Lamorinda's Religious Services*

**Christmas Eve at Lafayette UMC**  
 Dec. 24 at 5pm: a Family-Friendly Worship Service  
 Dec. 24 at 11pm: a Candlelight Service of Scripture and Song  
 955 Moraga Rd, Lafayette CA [www.thelumc.org](http://www.thelumc.org)

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[www.willowspringchurch.com](http://www.willowspringchurch.com)  
 1689 School St. Moraga | 925-376-3550  
**10:45 AM Sunday Service**

**Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
 433 Moraga Way, Orinda, 254-3422  
[www.holyshepherd.org](http://www.holyshepherd.org)  
 ONLINE WORSHIP SCHEDULE  
 Facebook Premiere Community Worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Go to [facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/](https://facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/)  
 WORSHIP SCHEDULE In person worship at 9:30 a.m. Live stream on [facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/](https://facebook.com/HSLCOrinda/)  
 Visit our website to access the current and recent sermons.

**ST MARK'S CHURCH OF ORINDA & MORAGA**  
**Sunday Service at 10 a.m.**  
 451 Moraga Way, Orinda  
[www.stmarksorinda.org](http://www.stmarksorinda.org) | (925) 254-5965  
**All Are Welcome**

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 SUNDAY SOUL FORUM | 9AM  
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 1035 CAROL LANE, LAFAYETTE, CA 94549 | 925.263.3722 | [SPIRIT@OSLC.NET](mailto:SPIRIT@OSLC.NET)

**ORINDA CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH**  
 24 Orinda Way (next to the Library)-925-254-4212  
**Sunday Services and Sunday School 10-11 am**  
 Informal Wednesday Meeting 7:30 – 8:30 pm  
 All are welcome  
[www.christianscienceorinda.org](http://www.christianscienceorinda.org)

**St. Anselm's Episcopal Church**  
**In-person & Virtual Christmas Services**  
 Christmas Eve, 5 PM  
 December 26th, 9 AM  
 If someone would like to be added to our Zoom invitation please call 925-284-7420 or email [cathy.w@stanselms.us](mailto:cathy.w@stanselms.us)  
 682 Michael Lane, Lafayette, [www.stanselms.us](http://www.stanselms.us)

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