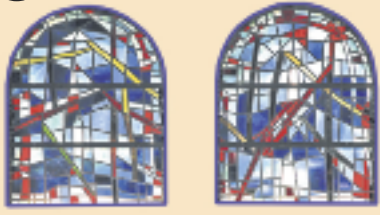


Lamorinda's Religious Services



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

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



► **SUNDAY Worship**, 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 AM, with programs for all ages.

► **SEEDLINGS Preschool**, M-F

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

LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 925-283-8722 LOPC.org



Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church

mvpc

Sundays, 9 & 10:30am

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

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

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.holy shepherd.org



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
 Coffee Fellowship at 10:30 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.

◆ Not to be missed ◆ Not to be missed ◆

ART

The Moraga Art Gallery presents "Color, Clay & Fire," a new show featuring the ceramics of Jacqueline Proulx and the dramatic light-and-color paintings of Marge Barta Atkins. The show, which includes the gallery's 16 member artists and several guest artists, runs through Oct. 31. For more info, visit www.moragaartgallery.com or call (925) 376-5407.

"Painting With Threads," an exhibition of exquisite Japanese embroidery art pieces will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily Sept. 28 through Oct. 2 at BDK America, 1675 School Street in Moraga. BDK America is the American affiliate of a world-wide philanthropy promoting Buddhism and Japanese culture and arts.

Jennifer Perlmutter Gallery presents "Through the Eyes of Masters: Artist Julie Cohn Lectures on Matisse, the artist and his life" from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8. Free.

Columbus Day Weekend LAA Art Show and Sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Lafayette Christian Church, just off St. Mary's Road at 584 Glenside Drive. Eighteen LAA members will display recently completed works, including ceramics, jewelry, glass art, and photography.

The newest show at the Lafayette Art Gallery, "Artists in Action," runs through Oct. 31. Selected artists will be demonstrating their techniques at the Gallery from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 26 and 27, as a talented group of local artists showcase their works related to the theme of movement, motion and gestural action.

Saint Mary's College Museum of Art presents "A Fine Line - The Dr. Maurice Alberti Print Collection of European and American Masters." The show opens Sunday, Oct. 4. The collection consists of master works on paper by leading Impressionists, Expressionists, Fauvists and Cubists in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. For info, call (925) 631-4363 or visit stmarys-ca.edu/museum.

Valley Art Gallery's "Colorfall" Exhibit opens on Saturday, Sept. 26 with a free reception from 3 to 5 p.m. Fall is the most colorful time of the year, with russets and siennas joining the greens and golds of summer. Valley Art Gallery celebrates this expanded palette with a new show, with a juried selection of new work from a talented group of local members. The show runs through Nov. 7.

MUSIC

"Gypsy" opens the Gold Coast Chamber Players' 2015-16 series, with works inspired by Gypsy exoticism at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, with a pre-concert talk at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at www.gcplayers.org and by phone at (925) 283-3728. (See story page B6)

Grace Partners presents a free benefit concert from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2100 Tice Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek. Enjoy food, drink, and live music from Bollinger Station and The King Cosby Band. Proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity. Free. For more info, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/701494296616699/>, call (925) 935-2100 or email rr.gracewc@gmail.com.

Contra Costa Chamber Orchestra presents "East Bay Orchestra Goes Around the World In 80 Minutes" from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 at Leshner Center for the Arts, 1601 Civic Dr., Walnut Creek. Violinist Phillip Santos will be part of the Contra Costa Chamber Orchestra season-opener. Also hear the premiere of Benjamin Taylor's "Tocatta for Orchestra." Cost: \$10-\$30 at the door. For more info see <http://www.ContraCostaChamberOrchestra.org>.

The Piano Composers of The Contra Costa Performing Arts Society is presenting their first musical event of the new season at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9 at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center Community Hall,

3491 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Lafayette. Family and friends of all ages can enjoy the variety of musical styles each musician/composer brings to the performance, eliciting the full breadth of sounds from the excellent Steinway grand. Free. For info, visit www.ccpas.org.

THEATER

Town Hall Theatre presents "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" by Rupert Holmes Oct. 3-24. Taking place at the turn of the century in a bawdy music hall, a group of actors decide to attempt the unthinkable – to solve, resolve and conclude Charles Dickens' unfinished masterpiece, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood." With the audience deciding several outcomes every evening (resulting in over 200 different combinations of endings), "Drood" is fast, incredibly funny ... and never the same show twice. Rated PG-13 for bawdy humor and adult situations. Contact the Town Hall Theatre Box Office at (925) 283-1557 or check the website at www.TownHallTheatre.com for show times and tickets.

LECTURE & LITERATURE

Lafayette Physical Therapy Lecture Series will feature Michele Duffy BTB, M.F.S., who will discuss Feng Shui and Wellness from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 3468 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Suite B110 in Lafayette. For info, visit <http://lafayettept.com/events/>.

Life in the Bay Area: Dr. Miriam Chion, research and planning director of the Association of Bay Area Governments, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24 at The College Preparatory School's Buttner Auditorium, 6100 Broadway in Oakland. This presentation will provide an overview of major land use, transportation, housing, and climate change issues in the Bay Area. Tickets are \$15 at the door or at www.collegeprep.org/livetaalk.

Robert Reich Big Picture Teach-In from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 at the Lafayette Library. Along with Reich's Big Picture Videos (3 min. each) expert speakers and small groups will discuss actions to take, with a focus on the following videos: Make Polluters Pay, Tame Wall Street, Corporate Welfare and Get Big Money Out of Politics. Free. RSVP's are helpful but not required. Please RSVP to moneyout_peoplein@yahoo.com or to Loretta Matthieu at (925) 464-7995.

Saint Mary's College Museum of Art presents "The Art of Collecting" a lecture by print dealer Dan Lienau on how to start an art collection, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4 in the Soda Activity Center.

"The Gift of Failure - Fostering Intrinsic Motivation and Resilience in Kids" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Acalanes Performing Arts Center. Jessica Lahey writes for the New York Times and the Atlantic about parent and student issues. She shares the message that failure is vital to success, and shows parents how to offer support even as they encourage autonomy. For tickets, go to jessicalahey.eventbrite.com.

KIDS, PARENTS & TEENS

The Lafayette, Moraga, and Orinda libraries marked the start of Lamorinda Kids Read Sept. 1 by giving away free copies of Stuart Gibbs' "Spy School." Gibbs will talk about his "Spy School" series and his other popular children's books at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24 in the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. The Lamorinda Kids Read programs are free and geared to older elementary and middle school students. They are sponsored by the Friends of the Lafayette, Moraga, and Orinda Libraries. For more information, visit ccclib.org or <http://guides.ccclib.org/onebook/lamorinda2015>.

The New SAT is coming March 2016. In preparation, the new PSAT will be administered to students this October. To help students prepare, the OML- AAUW Scholarship Commit-

tee in partnership with Kaplan Test Prep, will hold a New PSAT Practice Test on Saturday, Sept. 26 at Miramonte High School in Orinda as a fundraiser for their scholarship awarded annually. Students will experience the full-length timing and structure of the new PSAT, receive a comprehensive analysis of their strengths and weaknesses and therefore know exactly what to expect on Test Day. Cost for the test is \$35. For more details and to sign up, visit: <http://oml-ca.aauw.net/psat/>.

This fall Lindsay Wildlife Experience will be leading hikes in Mount Diablo State Park to explore the natural habitat of tarantulas. Discover these eight-legged creatures on a local two-mile hike recommended for nature lovers ages 6 and up. Tarantula Hikes take place from 4 to 6 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 25. The hike costs \$10 for Lindsay members and \$15 for all non-members. Pre-registration is required.

OTHER

Visit the Be the Star You Are! booth at the Moraga Pear and Wine Festival from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 in Moraga to receive a free book as part of the charity literacy outreach program sponsored by Children's Success Unlimited, Michael VerBrugge Construction, and Lamorinda Weekly. Info at http://starstylerradio.net/Events/Entries/2015/9/26_Pear_%26_Wine_Festival_2015.html.

Blood Drive from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26. Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive. To schedule your appointment or for more information visit redcross-blood.org and enter Sponsor Code MVPC. For info, visit www.mvpctoday.org or call 376-4800x227.

Middle Eastern Food Festival from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday Sept. 26, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 on the church grounds of St. John the Evangelist Orthodox Church located at 501 Moraga Way, Orinda. Food, live entertainment, dancing, children's games, a bazaar, crafts, books and Middle Eastern heritage exhibits and talks. Adults \$2; children under 12 are free. For info, visit www.stjohnorinda.org or call (925) 258-4255.

The Moraga-Orinda Fire District will kick off Fire Prevention Week with its Fall Open House and Pancake Breakfast from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 3 at Station 41, 1280 Moraga Way.

Serbian Food Festival noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3 at Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church, 1700 School Street, Moraga. Enjoy special dishes, including barbecued ox, homemade pastries and live Serbian music.

5A Rent-A-Space Shred Fest from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Oct. 3 at 455 Moraga Rd.

The 6th Annual Orinda Olive Festival will be from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at 350 Camino Pablo in Orinda. This free, family-friendly event celebrates olives and the historic Wagner Ranch, including it's 130-year-old Mission Olive Grove. Come sample olives, olive oils and vinegars from multiple vendors; learn the chemistry of olive oils; see chef demos of olive-inspired recipes; make olive branch crowns and wreaths; find wonderful products and services at the raffle table; take a docent tour of the ranch; enjoy arts, crafts, games, food and live music.

Join Saint Giles Episcopal Church for The Feast of Saint Francis and Blessing of the Animals from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 4 on the Chapel Green at Saint Mary's College. After the service there will be coffee hour on the Chapel Plaza and packing of bagged lunches for the homeless population served by Sacred Space-Oakland (www.sacredspacebay.org) For more info, visit www.stgiles-moraga.org.

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