

# The Neighbor

## The Orinda Community Church

*An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

August 26, 2009

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### Fast Food

*Dear ones,* when I was staking out churches in the area for our family about five years ago, Frank's sermon was the first one that didn't strike me as the spiritual equivalent of fast food. That is, his words stayed with me...they resonated going in, and they also left me with some depth to ponder during the week. Thanks to Frank and a warm welcome by Dorothy McIntire, I knew I had found my spiritual home in the Bay Area.

I am still adjusting to the Bay Area church culture in 2009 and how different it is from the Bible Belt when I was growing up, where everyone was in church on Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night – never dreaming of a rugby game or swim meet at those times, much less a birthday party. I am so glad I am here in California, but I do feel like now we have to work a little harder to get critical mass on Sundays (no pun intended). Even at my childhood church in Little Rock, Arkansas, they are “re-thinking church” in order to appeal to the 18-34 demographic, and in a sermon I recently read, the minister said that some churches in the city are now offering a “drive by” service, that is a thirty minute service to accommodate folks' schedules. Aargh. Friends, I don't think 30 minutes would meet my needs at all. As a matter of fact, in order to build my community, I need much more than simply our hour together on Sunday morning. I need you during the week! I need to nurture those friendships on Monday through Saturday too.

I have been thinking about our community of faith, and I think we have another fast food metaphor here. Our community is not going to be made much stronger by quick, “drive-by” conversations at coffee hour.

In our congregation, we have many friendships that have been built over many years and a lot of time together, but we also have some wonderful new members who do not know us well yet!

In the past we've had some great small groups which have met the needs of many members – (Clipper Club, Joyful Noise, Youngbloods to name a few). Folks in these groups pursued each other during the week!

Friendships take nurturing, with interaction that builds on time together. A Sunday school teacher of mine once said that there is a lot to be said for quality time, but there's a lot also to be said for quantity time.

On that note, we have some fantastic fun events coming up that I think will help nurture relationships here at OCC – Picnic August 30, Theatre Outing September 11, Youth Sleepover September 12, Blessing of the Animals October 3, Cooking for Shelter Inc. September 28-October 2, Camp Cazadero October 17-19, Crop Walk, October 18, Oktoberfest November 1, Advent Fair December 6 as well as, sewing circle, theology book group discussion, bible study, Sharing Circle (and that's only a partial list!)

So, my call to action to all of you is to put our church events on your calendar. Show up. Bring a friend. Call someone from church during the week.

From growing up in the South, I am familiar with those mega churches, which my adorable brother-in-law refers to as Six Flags Over Jesus. That is not how I want us to grow. I want us to grow one friendship at a time, reflecting the love of God by loving each other. So, spend some time with the folks here. It's the equivalent of some slow, nurturing food.

~ Leslie



**All-Church Picnic  
August 30 after church**

at Kennedy Grove (off San Pablo Dam Road).

A great gathering is shaping up, thanks to many wonderful volunteers! Please mark your calendars and come hungry. We will serve beef and veggie burgers, as well as hot dogs, and the usual BBQ fixings.

Suggested donations: \$7/person, \$25/family.  
Carpools encouraged.

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**September 12, 6:30 PM**



at Church

Bring a friend!

Chaperones needed.

Call the church office if you can help  
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**Where can you get a good Breakfast with  
Friends and Thought provoking  
Discussions/Programs for \$3.00?**



The answer is: At the Wednesday  
Breakfast Group!

We give \$2 for food and \$1 for a worthy project each Wednesday. This year we unanimously agreed to give \$1000 from our funds to the church. All are welcome when we meet again in September at 7 in the Board Room.

*Come Join Us for a Dynamic*

*Forum on National Health Reform*

*Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>*

*After church, 11:30—12:30, in the Library*

A Panel of OCC Members connected to the Health Care Field will address and clarify the Key Issues and Questions facing us and our Nation. Gary Nye will moderate the Interactive Discussion.

**Blessing of the Animals**

**October 3, 3pm**



We will gather in the Courtyard to celebrate our pets and to have a short, personal time of blessing with an opportunity to introduce our wonderful friends – all creatures of our loving God. We invite you to join in this sacred moment.

**CAMP CAZ FALL FAMILY RETREAT**

**Oct. 16-18**



OCC's all-church Fall retreat at Camp Cazadero has been a tradition for over ten years. The camp is owned by the United Church of Christ, NCNC, and is located in the Russian River area of the

Coast Ranges near Guerneville. Campers will sleep in cabins (with running water and electricity) and all meals are prepared by camp staff and are served in a central dining hall. Watch for flyers, registration forms and more information to come, but in meantime, save the date and make plans to join us at this wonderful fall, outdoor retreat.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!!**

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**



**Sunday, November 1, will be our**

**first annual OCC Oktoberfest!**

**Yes, it is in November, but in Germany Oktoberfests are celebrated in September, so why not??**

**The date should be easy to remember. Stay tuned for all the exciting details which will become available on Labor Day weekend.**

**Auf Wiedersehen!**

**Your friendly Oktoberfest committee**

**The World is at Your Fingertips**  
**We'd love to have you join us for the**  
**following Kid-Friendly Events**  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY!**

**August 30** All Church Picnic in Kennedy Grove right after church!

**September 12** 6:30 p.m. Scavenger hunt, service project and sleepover. Dinner at 6:30 for ages 5 and up, sleepover at 9:30 for 9 and ups

**September 28-October 2** 5:30 p.m. Come and help us serve food at the Shelter Inc. Homeless facility in Martinez. We'll need a team every night.

**October 3** 3:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals In honor of St. Francis we're blessing our pets of all kinds (We've had ferrets, lizards and dogs!) and even stuffed animals. Bring your pet for a special treat.

**October 16-18** Camp Cazadero Campout. Join us in the Russian River valley for a great, reflective getaway.

**October 19** 1:00 Crop Walk to raise money for Contra Costa Food Bank.

**November 15** Rock Climbing Adventure. Join us as we build trust at a rock climbing gym!

**December 6** 4:00 Advent Workshop and Christmas Carol Singing Join us for some non-cheesy crafts, potluck supper and caroling. It's a great way to get into the spirit of Christmas.

**December 21** Parents' morning out. Drop of your kids for fellowship, crafts and fun, while you finish your holiday schlepping! There will be a table for gift wrapping.

God is still speaking.

(And of course, don't forget Learning Community every Sunday at 10 and Youth Pizza outing every third Sunday right after church!)

## Sunday School/Learning Community



“It’s a very ancient saying but a true and honest thought, that if you become a teacher, by your pupils you’ll be taught.”

I love that lyric from Rogers and Hammerstein’s “The King and I.” I sure have learned a lot from our children in these past few months. Thank you to all the teachers who taught in the learning community this summer. You were wonderful as you helped the children travel “Your Faith Journey”. The children seemed to enjoy getting the passport stamped with different biblical locations and with the locations of our service projects, (People’s Park, Shelter Inc. in Martinez.) They seemed also to enjoy the scrapbooking and photos, so we’ll continue that during the fall. (Great idea, Carey C!)

The theme for our school year is “The World is at Your Fingertips.” We will be using the Seasons of the Spirit, lectionary-based curriculum for the most part. We would love to have you be a teacher. Please sign up in the narthex if you are interested in volunteering for a month.

Each Sunday the children will mark the date of their attendance. They can also mark their attendance at events like The Blessing of the Animals, the Advent Fair, the Scavenger Hunt/Sleepover, and when they serve dinner at Shelter Inc. The attendance record is on a gumball machine, each gumball represents an activity at church!

**The world truly is at our fingertips here at OCC.**

## Seeking Youth Advisors/Aunts and Uncles

Have you thought about working with youth, but were not sure about how? Here's a way to experience it in a small dose!!! You can sign up to be an "aunt/uncle" to help with some of our activities this year. You will be put on a list of "Those who want to help" and we will contact you during the year to see if you can join OCC's kids at various events including - rock climbing, serving oranges to the homeless, and walking to pizza with the kids after church. Any questions, contact Leslie O'Brien at the church office.

An Evening of Winemaking, Supper, and Conviviality!

*Saturday, September 26th*

*5:30—8:30*

*Fellowship Hall*

*Dress in Late Summer Comfort and Bring a Small Chair Pillow*

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*Come Learn the Art of Wine Tasting and Blending amongst Friends!  
with Vintner/Theologian, John Staten*

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*Come Help Create the 2010 Communion Wine for OCC!  
from Field Stone Winery's barrels of Cabernet, Merlot, & Syrah*

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*Come Share in a Galilean Banquet with "Convívio" Wine!*

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*Fundraiser Donation: \$100/Couple & \$60/Individual*

*\*\*\* Bring a Guest, or Two—Free! \*\*\**

*(Upon release in February of 2010, each couple or individual will receive a  
complimentary bottle of Field Stone's "Convívio."*

*Value: \$14.00—\$15.00)*

*Call Katrina and John Staten at home (254—1283) or Dagmar Slovak at  
church (254—4906) to let us know you will be coming!*

## Garden Park Backpacks – Thank you!!!



A big "THANK YOU" to all the people who purchased back packs and filled them with school supplies for the formerly homeless children who now make their home at the Garden Park Apartment Complex in Pleasant Hill. OCC members and friends contributed 20 back packs to this project!

Having the necessary supplies needed to be ready for the beginning of school makes a big difference to these children. That, coupled with the support and encouragement the children receive from the staff and volunteers at the Homework Club, gives them a greatly increased chance to succeed, often for the first time in their lives.



### **Sunday School/Learning Community Teachers Needed for Elementary and Jr. High/High School Classes this fall**

If you would like to volunteer to teach a class of vibrant young people, please contact Leslie O'Brien at [leslieorindachurch@gmail.com](mailto:leslieorindachurch@gmail.com). We appreciate your willingness to step up, and the Children and Youth Commission is prepared to help you. You may teach from the Seasons of the Spirit Curriculum (which follows the lectionary), the Real to Reel program which uses current movies as a starting point for Biblical discussion, or YOU MAY SHARE YOUR OWN FAITH JOURNEY IN ANY WAY YOU CHOOSE. Please sign up on the board in the Narthex. Thank you!



### **If You Toss ..... It's Our Loss!**

Did you know that every day, ink cartridges that could be refilled and reused are thrown away? Help us reduce this waste and raise funds for OCC at the same time! **Donate your empty ink jet or laser cartridges and old cell phones by placing them in the collection bin outside the office.** Simply drop off your items in the bin, and eScrip will pay us for each cartridge and cell phone collected, then see that they are reused.

To date, we've collected 108 ink cartridges and phones, raising **\$104.59** for the church.

Through this program, we can divert waste from the landfills, promote reuse, and help fund our church's mission. Questions? Contact Anne McCarten-Gibbs at 388-0366 or [anne@mccarten-gibbs.com](mailto:anne@mccarten-gibbs.com).



### **Shop at SAFEWAY for Back- to-School and Earn Extra Funds for OCC!**

eScrip and Safeway are once again running their "**10% Back to School**" program, **August 12 through September 15**. Safeway will donate an impressive 10% of sales from certain products to eScrip! eScrip in turn gives it to the organizations you support. When shopping at Safeway, look for the YellowSchool Bus tags on qualifying products that earn extra dollars for OCC, and then stock up! This is an opportunity for our church to earn much needed funds.

If you are not currently supporting Orinda Community Church through eScrip, you can sign up or add OCC to your account by visiting [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com). You can split your eScrip donations between two or more organizations, so if you are already supporting a school, it is easy to add OCC. If you have any questions or would like assistance setting up your account, please contact Anne McCarten-Gibbs, 388-0366 or [anne@mccarten-gibbs.com](mailto:anne@mccarten-gibbs.com).

## ANGELS, DEMONS AND FOOLS

A new exhibition by Karl Schonborn for the Doug Adams Gallery from Sunday, August 30th to November 1st. Artist's reception after the service on Sunday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>.

Karl has exhibited several large paintings of people in various OCC shows and now, he has been invited to have his own show. We are honored that not only did he collect a themed group of paintings he also completed some paintings especially for us.

Karl has been drawing and painting all his life, although his 'day job' is as a professor of sociology at the California State University, East Bay. He studied with Marshall Glasier (Penna.Acad.of Fine Art), Ivan Majdrakoff (SF Art Inst.), and Howard Brodie (political cartoonist). He's been involved in many Group Shows and Solo Shows, and has been represented by the Werbin Gallery in New York City.

**For this enticingly titled show, Karl writes the following:**

*Do you see Michael Jackson as an angel, demon or fool? And President Obama...? or are you waiting for more data?*

*Are decisions about such people a function of the times we live in, or a need we have as a collectivity (e.g., for a Father Figure -Reagan, or for a Fuhrer - Hitler)? Or do each of us decide independently who's an angel, demon or fool?*

*Some people say the death of a key icon often triggers a mad scramble to find a replacement, to assure ourselves that our collective "story" has all the necessary characters. Hence, the scramble to find another sex symbol after Marilyn Monroe died.*

*One of my goals in this series of paintings is to help all of us sort out our attitudes towards iconic figures.\**

*Sometimes a certain icon is clearly heroic, villainous, or foolish to us, but others may vehemently disagree -one person's hero is often another's villain or fool. Sometimes there's consensus on which icon is which. More perplexing is when an icon is a mix. Enough figures have been debunked in modern life that many are a mix these days to those "in the know" (e.g., Babe Ruth was a drunk and a wife beater, JFK a womanizer).*

*Some icons have spent parts of their lives being each of the three, often ending up "fixed" at the stage they were in when they died. I've painted several of these in another series (e.g., Malcolm Little started as The Child, became The Villain as "Detroit Red" during his criminal days, and then segued into The Hero as Malcolm X and as el-Hajj Malik el-Shabazz when he was assassinated.) Names that people like Malcolm X choose along their personal journey are telling. As you look at the paintings, which do you think are which? Which are a mix? And do the people standing next to you agree?*

\*Iconic figures share a lot with archetypes. According to Wiki an "archetype refers to a generic version of a personality. In this sense 'mother figure' may be considered an archetype and may be identified in various characters with otherwise distinct (non-generic) personalities." Common archetypes include

- \* The Child (a bit like my Fool)
- \* The Hero
- \* The Great Mother or Goddess
- \* The Wise old man
- \* The Trickster or Fox

"Archetypes are likewise supposed to have been present in folklore and literature for thousands of years, including prehistoric artwork. The use of archetypes to illuminate personality and literature was advanced by Carl Jung early in the 20th century, who suggested the existence of universal content less forms that channel experiences and emotions, resulting in recognizable and typical patterns of behavior with certain probable outcomes. Archetypes are cited as important to both ancient mythology and modern narratives, as argued by Joseph Campbell in works such as [The Hero With a Thousand Faces](#). Wiki"



### **Puzzled by the Palestinian-Israeli conflict?**

Love to travel to new places? Enjoy learning about diverse cultures and peoples? Want to be challenged?

A trip is being formed to travel to Israel and Palestine for 16 days starting in mid October of this year. If interested, please pick up a brochure in the church office.



Nineteen OCC families are now sponsoring children in Guatemala under the auspices of Common Hope. Another OCC-based Vision Team is in the works for April 6-15, 2010. Up to 12 participants will stay at Common Hope's center in Antigua, become acquainted with the people, culture and beauty of Guatemala, visit other sites and programs affiliated with Common Hope, work on any number of projects, and join social workers on visits to sponsored families. Sponsors will have an opportunity to meet the children they support. The total cost is \$1,200/person plus airfare. More information can be found at [www.commonhope.org](http://www.commonhope.org). Let Roger Samuelsen or Lani Shepp know if you are interested.



**Widows/Widowers Grief  
Recovery Class  
Fall 2009 Schedule**

Have you or someone you know experienced the death of a spouse recently or within the last couple years? Sharing our experiences during this 10-week class is extremely helpful to our healing process. Find hope, support and successful ways to process this significant life event. Course is open to all Widows and Widowers. Enrollments are now being accepted – can start up to 3<sup>rd</sup> week. Pre-Registration required. The workbook is \$5. Please call the contact at the church where you would like to attend the group. Brochures will be sent upon request.

Tuesdays, 7 – 9 p.m. Sept. 15th – Nov. 17th  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BERKELEY**  
2407 DANA STREET, BERKELEY

**CONTACT: KATIE JONES 510-848-6252 X241**  
Sundays, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Sept. 20th – Nov. 22nd  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HAYWARD**  
2490 GROVE WAY, CASTRO VALLEY

**CONTACT: LOIS SAMARRON 510-581-6203X202**  
Tuesdays, 7 – 9 p.m., Sept. 22nd – Nov. 24th  
**LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
49 KNOX DRIVE, LAFAYETTE **CONTACT: BEV  
FELLOWS 925-283-8722**

Wednesdays, 7 – 9 p.m. Call Linda Husted **925-833-9013** for Summer 2010 dates

**Ongoing Lifelong Learning  
Opportunities at OCC**

**Monday Night Bible Study**

meets from 7:00 to 8:00 pm each week in the Library and is led by Frank Baldwin. The class is on summer vacation and resumes September 21.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**

meets Thursdays at 10:30 am in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor conference room of Orinda Senior Village. The class is facilitated by Rev. Lee Cruise and is open to members and friends of our church and of Orinda Senior Village.

**Theology Book Club**

Next book: *The Third Jesus: The Christ We Cannot Ignore* by Deepak Chopra. The group will be on summer break until Sept. 15. The group meets in the church library from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month.

**Women's Spirituality Group**

This group meets the first and the third Saturday of every month at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room for fellowship and spiritual sharing.

**Breakfast Group**

The breakfast group meets every Wednesday at 7:00 a.m. in the Board Room for breakfast and discussion. The group is on summer break and resumes after Labor Day.

**OCC's Sharing Circle**

This informal fellowship group will meet on all the Sundays in which we do not have an after-church forum. We will share joys and concerns for the purposes of prayer and have a brief discussion of the sermon or other topic of common interest. We know that our church is built on strong relationships. The objective of this group is simply for us to get to know each other better.

**Lifelong Learning Forums on  
Climate Change –  
From Solving it to Surviving it.  
A Three-Sunday OCC Forum Series  
led by Sue Boudreau**

It's too late to solve global warming or reverse the acidification of the oceans. Instead, we have to think about how to slow down the effects of climate change, and how to manage them so that civilization survives – it really is that serious. And we need to do it fast, within the next 10 years, at a rate and scale similar to the mobilization before the Second World War. We won the war, and the world acted together to reduce the ozone hole. So we do have the means, the technology and the skills to do this. The motivation locally, nationally and globally is building, but not fast enough.

If you, like me, are almost frozen in horrified inaction at the scale of this looming catastrophe, come to this series of three forums. Find out what the latest science has to say about the causes and effects of climate change, the interdependence of ourselves and the environment and the smorgasbord of effective actions we could take. We'll consider the role of faith, our view of God and the creation, and finally, we'll spend some time in prayer to start the process of individual discernment for what our particular calls to action are.

This series is just a start. What it will lead to, is up to us. I'm hoping that we'll find ways to share what we each decide to do (or are doing), encourage and help each other. Together, we'll have each other's backs. Doing something effective in good company, doing something that gives us joy – that just has to be better than denial, distraction and despair.

*OCC-member Sue Boudreau is a science teacher and curriculum developer who has been teaching issues around global warming for 26 years.*

**Forum 1, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2009**

**Fear and Despair:** The Science of Global Climate Change.

- Graphics and graphs, concept maps of cause and effects as well as a short segment of images and music.

**Forum 2, Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2009**

**Hope and Inspiration:** Technologies, Economic Policies, Energy Alternatives, Food, Water and what is working.

- A smorgasbord of ideas for effective actions.

**Forum 3, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2009**

**Faith, Prayer and Action:** The Role of Faith and Faith-Based Communities

- From individualism to interconnectedness – an eco-theology.
- Prayer and starting to discern our calls to action.



**Katie's Baby is Here!**



We understand that Katie Morrison's baby girl arrived Wednesday, August 19. Baby, Katie and Curran are all reportedly doing very well!

OCC FINFNACIAL SPOTLIGHT, August 15, 2009

2009 Pledges Received Through January 15, 2009	\$298,920.00
Additional Pledges Resceived Through August 15, 2009	\$31,390.00
TOTAL	\$330,310.00

Additional Pledges Needed to Balance 2009 Budget	\$3,586.00
2009 Pledges Budgeted	\$333,896.00

January - July Income/Expense

Income	\$248,749
Expense	\$221,856

At the Annual Meeting in January, the congregation approved an unbalanced budget. You can see from the information above, that in order to balance the 2009 Budget we will all need to consider what additional pledge commitment can be made for this year. An additional pledge of \$5,200 has been received during the past month for which we are grateful.

The mid-year report on Fundraising and Miscellaneous:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>
Fundraising	\$15,000	\$2,868
E-Script/Matching Funds	6,000	554
Miscellaneous	2,350	1,000



Please note it is particularly important in this difficult financial year for installment pledge payments to be made during the summertime (June - August). This will help our cash position and enable expenses to be paid on a timely basis.

If you are able to increase your pledge, please deliver to Betty Karplus or Dagmar Slovak the pledge card included with the letter accompanying your mid-year financial statement to indicate the amount of your special 2009 pledge increase.

Reminder: For those of you interested in the e-script program, please note that you have to sign up each year (with Safeway, etc.) to participate in the program. There is still time to sign up for this year.

# SEPTEMBER 2009

Sunday Worship 10 am, Fellowship Hour 11:15 am  
**BOLD Times indicate PM**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
		9:30 Children & Youth Commission	2 Staff Meeting 4 Worship & Music	10:30 Bible Study OSV		9:30 Women's Spirituality
<b>6</b>	<b>Labor Day</b> <b>7 Office closed</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
11:30 "Angels, Demons and Fools" artist reception in Sanctuary	10 Sewing Circle		7 Breakfast Group 11:45 Lifelong Learning 2 Staff Meeting	10:30 Bible Study	5 Dinner-Theater Party	6:30PM: <b>Youth Sleepover</b> 
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
11:30 Forum on National Health Reform	10 Sewing Circle 7 Bible Study	7 Theology Book Club	7 Breakfast Group 2 Staff Meeting	10:30 Bible Study		9:30 Women's Spirituality
<b>20</b> <u>Neighbor Deadline</u>	<b>21</b>  International Day of Peace	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <u>Neighbor published</u>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
11:30 Forum: Moving on climate change Part I by Sue Boudreau	10 Sewing Circle 7 Bible Study		7 Breakfast Group 10 Signage Committee 2 Staff Meeting 7:30 Church Council	9:30 Parish Callers 10:30 Bible Study 4:30 Endowment Fund Board		5:30 Evening of Winemaking at OCC
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			
11:30 Forum: Moving on climate change Part II by Sue Boudreau	10 Sewing Circle 7 Bible Study 5:30 Food to Shelter Inc.	5:30 Food to Shelter Inc.	7 Breakfast Group 2 Staff Meeting 5:30 Food to Shelter Inc.			

Next deadline for *The Neighbor* submissions: September 20  
[office@orindachurch.org](mailto:office@orindachurch.org), fax 925.254-1468

## Green Rheem Film Nights

Green Rheem film nights are a chance to socialize with friends, enjoy local wine and appetizers, and then watch an educational documentary related to the environment. The doors open for wine and appetizers in the lobby at 6pm and then the movie starts around 7pm.

Green Rheem is organized by a collection of Lamorinda community organizations including: Generation Green, Sustainable Moraga, Sustainable Lafayette, and Parents for a Safer Environment.

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### NEXT FILM ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH - "ADDICTED TO PLASTIC"

In celebration of the 25th anniversary of the annual California coastal cleanup day we are featuring the documentary "Addicted to Plastic". **The TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE summer special is continuing for one more month! Purchase 1 ticket and bring a second person for free!**

#### **Wine Tasting & Appetizers in the Lobby Starting at 6pm (included):**

##### **Special Guests:**

- Representatives from the [California Coastal Commission](#)
- Stuart Moody from [Green Sangha's plastics campaign](#)

#### **Movie Starting at 7pm:**

ADDICTED TO PLASTIC is a feature-length documentary about solutions to plastic pollution. The point-of-view style documentary encompasses three years of filming in 12 countries on 5 continents, including two trips to the middle of the Pacific Ocean where plastic debris accumulates. The film details plastic's path over the last 100 years and provides a wealth of expert interviews on practical and cutting edge solutions to recycling, toxicity and biodegradability. These solutions - which include plastic made from plants - will provide viewers with a hopeful perspective about our future with plastic.

**Location** - Rheem Theater, 350 Park Street, Moraga (Rheem Shopping Center)

#### **More:**

- For a calendar of COASTWEEKS events, please visit: [www.coastforyou.org](http://www.coastforyou.org)

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You can purchase tickets in advance with a credit card using secure PayPal web site. A ticket for movie, wine, and appetizers is \$14 online and a ticket for just the movie is \$10. If you purchase in advance, then when you arrive you simply need to give your name. Or you can purchase tickets at the ticket office for \$17. You can also pay \$10 at the door to just see the movie.

**To pay online, go to:** <http://www.sustainablelafayette.net/events/green-rheem.html>

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