

Tickets available today for Crab Crack annual fundraiser to benefit Food Share

Enjoy great food and company while aiding the less fortunate in this area during the eighth annual Florence Crab Crack

The event will be held at the Florence Events Center (FEC) on Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Oregon coast Dungeness crab, along with pasta, coleslaw, garlic bread, sodas, coffee and dessert will be served by volunteers.

A no-host bar will also be available.

While enjoying the wonderful crab and side dishes, attendees will also have the opportunity to purchase one or many of the special silent auction items.

All the proceeds from this



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event will benefit Florence Food Share, a local food pantry that provides resources to those facing hunger in West Lane County.

Tickets will be available after Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Florence Food Share, located at 2190 Spruce St., open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Group seating or more information is also available on the website, florencefoodshare.org, or by calling 541-997-9110.

Tickets to this event are \$45, with only 400 tickets available.

The deadline for ticket purchases is Friday, Jan. 25, and will not be available at the door.

Presbyterian Church to hold Longest Night, Blue Christmas Service Dec. 21

The Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw will hold a Longest Night/Blue Christmas service at 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 21, in the church Sanctuary. The name comes from the season, as Dec. 21 is the winter solstice and will be the longest night of the year.

This is also sometimes known as a Blue Christmas Service, describing the feeling that a number of us have during this season.

In the long, dark winter

nights, memories of past experiences and the pain of present circumstances can become overwhelming. For some, the Christmas season is a difficult time. Some may be grieving the loss of a loved one, struggling with illness or dealing with other losses.

This will be a service of wholeness and healing. Those looking for comfort, hope, wholeness and renewal are welcomed and invited; as well as

anyone wishing to share in an intimate, contemplative service using scriptures, readings, meditations, hymns and Taizé music.

In a small worship center surrounded by chairs, participants may light candles for prayers. Rev. Greg Wood will lead the service.

The church is located at 3996 Highway 101 in Florence. Call the church office with questions, 541-997-7136.

Unitarians to explore meaning of 'advent'

The service on Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship will be led by the Rev. Dr. Ruth Miller. During the service, which runs from 10 to 11 a.m., Miller will speak about the "Advent Season."

"Advent" means "coming toward."

Miller looks to explore the meaning of the word while looking to several questions related to it: "What's coming toward us? What are we coming toward? Why is this the name of the days leading up to Dec. 25? What does it mean for us now and in the future?"

The fellowship is located at 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road and is wheelchair accessible. Each service concludes with refreshments and a dialogue circle to explore the questions that come up during each worship service.

For more information, visit www.florenceuuf.org.

Spirituali-Tea to continue 'journey' on teachings

People interested in discussing diverse spiritual ideas in an atmosphere of respect and inquisitiveness are invited to join Spirituali-Tea, a group that has been meeting for years at 875 Seventh St. in Florence.

This Monday, Dec. 10, at 6:30 p.m., Dr. I. Walter Tunick, Ed.D. will discuss his book "Spiritual Journey: The Bahá'í Faith."

The evening will be an effort by Tunick to acquaint participants with the message of the Bahá'í Faith, its history and its principles.

Walter states that the deteriorating moral conditions that are spreading globally have caused devastating gaps in social behavior that

endanger the well-being of all societies and nations. The growth of interest in moral and religious values has been stirring calls to action among the established religions.

The Bahá'í Faith, claiming hereditary connections with its older sister religions, offers relevant explanations for current world problems that do not conflict with the earlier teachings.

People should come prepared to share their thoughts with the group.

At the end of the gathering, the members will read the prayer requests that have been left in the Prayer Pole in the garden of the Florence Playhouse, 208 Laurel St.

Children's choir prepares for 'Joyful Noise' concert Dec. 9

The Joyful Noise Children's Choir is excited to invite the Florence community to their holiday production, "The Christmas Express."

The show will be presented on Sunday, Dec. 9, at 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. at the Florence Christian Church, located at Second

and Ivy streets.

Joyful Noise Children's Choir is a seasonal choir for children of our community, 4 years old through fifth grade.

Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, contact the church office at 541-997-2961.

Community invited to sing carols with Lutheran Church

The season of Christmas is upon us.

Resurrection Lutheran Church, 85294 Highway 101, invites the Florence-area community to the annual Community Carol Sing on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m.

Refreshments will be served after the event.

In addition, the church is holding a special Christmas Eve Service at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 24.

All are welcome to attend both events.

Volunteer for Friends of Florence

The nonprofit Friends of Florence, which provides free bus transportation for cancer patients, is seeking volunteer drivers. A commercial driver's license is not required. For more info, call 541-997-8663.

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