

Temple Mission Statement

"To offer those in the Pacific Northwest an enduring community that values inclusiveness and acceptance in seeking enlightenment"



Tacoma Buddhist Temple
(Jodo Shinshu)

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MYOKYO 明鏡

(MYOKYO, the Bright Mirror of Buddha Dharma always illuminates our LIFE)

November, 2017

Sensei's Message

True Hearing

Rev. Kojo Kakihara



My home temple, Eisho-ji is located in the mountain side in Onomichi city, Hiroshima, Japan. It was originally a Zen temple, but it changed to Jodo Shinshu about 500 years ago. And now my father is the 15th generation of the resident minister. When I think of such boundlessly long history of the temple, I realize that there are countless Sangha members who have attended temple's events, chanted sutras, and maintained temple before me. I imagine that in some times, many people came to temple and the temple was crowded. But in other times like during and after the Second World War, temple was deserted because people could not afford to come and had to think of just their own lives, and even food or their lives of the day were not certain. But, still temple has been maintained and does exist today. I can imagine that there were many members who were grateful for Nembutsu and lived their lives putting Buddha Dharma in the center of their lives in spite of their difficult lives. I have been being brought up and led by such beautiful members as well as by Amida Buddha. Because I thought that I wanted to share these teachings and joys which past members maintained, with more people, not only of Japan but also of all over the world and also wished the teachings be taken over even in 50 years, 100 years later, I decided to come to the US as a Kaikyoshi, an overseas minister, and I will have served for 10 years at the end of this year.

Our Tacoma Buddhist Temple has over 100 years of history thanks to everyone. The history of and its building of Tacoma Buddhist Temple are filled with countless joys, hardships, and wishes of those who have maintained the temple and its Sangha. And because of them, we are able to gather and hear Buddha Dharma today at the temple. Whether you are a long-time member who has been coming to temple with your family since you were small, or you have just joined the temple or you just started coming, we are all receiving such their lives and wishes. As Jodo Shinshu followers, it is of course important to keep listening to the Nembutsu teachings. But when we are able to receive such countless lives on our lives and feel grateful for it, we could say in the true

meaning that we are listening to Buddha Dharma for the first time. I can say this about every service in Jodo Shinshu, but especially Eitaikyo Service held in November, is observed with such thoughts and wishes.

Listening just with your ears or your heads doesn't mean "listening" really. When I was still a middle school student, I often used to be told by my mother "Finish your homework and then play or watch TV!" But I often answered, "Yeah, Yeah, I know. I will do so now," with keeping my eyes on TV... That means that I was just listening with my ears, but not "listening" really. We can really say "I've listened" when what we listen, reaches into my mind and becomes our actual speeches or actions. We can say the same thing about hearing Buddha Dharma. To hear is called "Ochōmon" in Jodo Shinshu, and we especially put an importance on hearing. This means not only hearing Dharma talks, but also reading Buddhist books or tasting and appreciating the teachings in our daily lives. If you just listen to the teachings or read a Buddhist book only with your ears or eyes, and think like "OK, OK. I know, I understand it," it doesn't mean "You've heard Buddha Dharma" really. Shinran Shonin states "to hear the Buddha Dharma means to hear how the Buddha's Vow arose – its origin and fulfillment." That is to say, when we realize the reason why the Buddha's Vow arose, meet our present lives that the Vow is reaching, and when our way of life and acts are transformed, it is "Hearing" in a true meaning as what you listen works and influences on your life itself. This year's Eitaikyo Perpetual Memorial Service will be held on November 19 at 10am having Rev. Yukawa as the guest speaker. I hope you attend it.

Gassho with palms together,

Buddhism 101

Rev. Kojo answers your questions on Buddhism or Jodo Shinshu at Family Service or Dharma Exchange mostly once a month. Put your questions in the box at the foyer or send to Rev. Kojo by email. The next will be on November 26.

「聞く」ということ

かきはらこうじょう
柿原興乗

わたし じっか えいしょうじ ひろしまけんおのみちし やま なか ぜんしゅう てら かく
私の実家、永正寺は、広島県尾道市の山の中にあります。もとは禅宗のお寺だったものが、約500
ねんまえ じょうどしんしゅう げんざい わたし ちち だいいめ じゅうしよく そうぞう
年前に浄土真宗となり、現在は私の父が15代目の住職をしています。その想像もつかないほどの
れきし なが おも とき わたし せんぞ かたがた てら まい おし よろこ てら まも
歴史の長さを思う時、私の先祖の方々、そしてお寺にお参りし、み教えを喜び、お寺を守ってくだ
さった、数え切れないほど多くのご門徒さんがいらっしやった、ということに気づかされます。お
てら かい かい まい かたがた にぎ とき ぎやく せんそうちゅう ひと
寺がたくさんのお参りの方々に賑わった時もあるでしょう。しかしその逆に、戦争中などは、人が
へ じぶん せいかつ きょういちにち とき
減り、自分の生活、今日一日のいのちをつなぐこともままならない時もあったでしょう。しかし、そ
れでもお寺はずっと守られ、現在に至っています。そこには、ねんぶつ よろこ
仏法を中心として日々を生きてこられたご門徒さんの姿が想像されます。私は、そんな多くのご
もん と あみだ そだ みちび おし よろこ ねんご
門徒さん、そして阿弥陀さまに育てられ、導かれています。そのみ教え、喜びを、これから50年後
も100年後も、そしてもっと多くの方と、日本だけでなく、せかい かたがた わ かち あ おも
アメリカで開教使としてのご縁をいただき、今年で10年になります。わたしたちのタコマ仏教会は、皆
さんのおかげで、ねんいじょう れきし れきし てら たてもの てら ぶつぽう
100年以上の歴史があります。その歴史、お寺の建物には、お寺を、そして仏法を
よろこ あつ さんが いま まも ん おお かたがた くろう よろこ ねが
喜ぶ集まり、サンガを今まで守り抜いてこられた、多くの方々のご苦勞や喜び、あるいは願いがた
くさん詰まっています。そのおかげで私たちが今こうしてお寺に集まり、ぶつぽう き
ているのです。ちい とき かぞく てら き かた さいきん てら きはじ かた わたし みな
小さい時から家族でお寺に来ていた方も、最近お寺に来始めた方も、私たちは皆、

そうした方々のいのち、願いを受け取っています。私たち浄土真宗の門徒は、お念仏のみ教えを聞いていくのはもちろんのこと、そういった数え切れない方々のいのちを、私たちのいのちの上にいただき、喜んでこそ、本当の意味で、仏法を聞くということがいえるのではないのでしょうか。それは全ての仏事に言えることですが、その中でも11月に勤修される永代経法要は、特にそのような思い、願いのもとでお勤めされる法要です。

頭あるいは耳だけで聞くのは、本当に聞いたことになりません。私が中学生のころ、よく母親に、「ちゃんと宿題をしてから遊びなさい」と言われました。でも私はよく、「うん、分かるとる。今する」と、見ているテレビから目を離さずに、答えていました。これは耳で聞いているだけで、本当に聞いたことにはなりません。私が耳で聞いたことが、私の心に響き、私の行動になってこそ、本当に「聞いた」と言えます。仏法を聞くということも同様です。浄土真宗ではお聴聞と言ひ、聞くことを特に大切にします。これは、法話を聞くだけでなく、本を読んだり、日常の生活の中で、教えを味わい、喜んでいくことも意味します。しかし、耳で聞いて、あるいは本を読んで、「ああ、分かった分かった。」だけでは、本当に聞いたことにはなりません。親鸞聖人は、「仏法を聞く」というのは、「仏願の生起本末を聞く」ことである、と言われていています。つまり、仏さまの願いはどうして起こされたのか、を聞き、その願いが届いている、今の自分のいのちに出会い、私の行動や生き方が転換されてこそ、本当の意味で、「仏法を聞く」ということになるのです。今年の永代経法要は11月19日、湯川先生をご講師にお招きして、お勤めされます。皆さん、お参りください。

合掌、

月に一度（可能な限り）日曜礼拝の後に日本語法話をいたします。次回は、11月26日です。

Future Schedule

Sun, Nov. 5 at 11am	Fall Food & Craft Bazaar (No Sunday Service)
Thu, Nov. 9 at 7pm	Book Club at Kings Books
Sun, Nov. 12 at 11:30am	Temple Open House (after Dharma Exchange)
Thu, Nov. 16 at 10am	Shinran Shonin's Memorial Service at Hondo
At 7pm	Sips with Sensei! (The place: TBA)
Sun, Nov. 19 at 10am	Eitai-kyo Perpetual Memorial Service (Rev. Yukawa)
Sun, Dec. 3 at 1pm	Temple General Meeting
At 3pm	Bodhi Day Service followed by Pot-luck Dinner
Sun, Dec. 10	Rev. Kakihara Farewell Luncheon (after DS & D. Exchange)

President's Message



I love the color changes and morning crispness of Fall. The change in season just makes me realize how fast this year is going by and what we've recently done but more, what we have to look forward to till the end of this year and the beginning of next.

Thank you again to all of our Keiro Honorees – those of you who were able to attend the Keiro Luncheon on September 24 and to those of you who were not able to make it. We continue to build on the Temple foundation that you all worked and supported for so many years.



UPDATE ON IMPORTANT ISSUES:

New Minister: I talked about Bishop Umezu's visit with us and Seattle Buddhist Church in the last issue of the Myokyo. I reported on the agreement for increased collaboration between Temples to help each other and better serve the needs of Northwest Temples currently without ministers. Since then, a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) has been developed with BCA (Buddhist Churches of America) and we are awaiting final approval. Once this happens, the Bishop will be able to formally appoint our new Resident Minister. In the meantime, with assurances from the Bishop that these final steps are in process, we have begun the transition, including the update/repair of the parsonage and all the myriad of details involved with welcoming our new minister. We are looking forward to about mid-December as an arrival date.

Old Minister: Rev. Kakihara is not old but you know what I mean! I hope you 'saved the date' of Sunday, December 10 (after service) for the Farewell Luncheon when we honor him and his service to us, the Northwest District, and BCA for the past seven years. He still has two months with us. Far from being a 'lame duck', he continues to work hard for us and BCA.

Events re-tooling: A Board sub-committee has met several times over the past few months and begun the work of looking at our fundraising events (Fall Bazaar, Spring Sukiyaki, and Bon Odori) with the purpose of re-tooling one or more of our events to make them less labor intensive; and look at the possibility of eliminating an event. The committee (composed of recent events chairs and Board leadership) didn't feel that eliminating an event was financially feasible at this time. A few members also felt that three events should be maintained because of their value in drawing in friends and family in the community to re-connect with the Temple.

There was consensus that we could start working on re-vamping a fundraiser, Fall Bazaar being the most likely one. However, we ran into the chronic problem of not having enough time to plan and prepare for significant changes before the next upcoming event starts taking our time and energy. Minor changes were made for the upcoming Bazaar and there is commitment to continue work on this.

Events & Temple Finances: We cannot talk about downsizing an event without discussing what impact it has on Temple finances. Income from the fundraisers account for 20% - 25% of our annual operating budget from year to year. So, it's difficult to plan for any downsizing or elimination of an event without also planning for ways to mitigate the negative impact of such an action on the Temple's budget.

The Events subcommittee discussed other ways to bring in revenue: increasing Pledges, increasing membership assessment, development of the empty lot next to the parsonage into something that is revenue generating, and re-investment of our investment portfolio into higher growth funds and considering reinvestment of some funds with interest used for our annual operating budget. The only consensus was to work toward development of the empty lot and development of a Financial Advisory Committee to make recommendations for Temple investments.

The driving issue for **retooling events and looking at different revenue sources** is concern throughout the years about the amount of work needed from members to hold these events, and resulting member burnout. The Sangha is the caretaker of the Temple. However, the energy and time required in the way we have been doing it has been leading to member burnout.

It's been very difficult to recruit members who are able/willing to co-chair these events or be a sub-committee chair, as well as serve on the Board or take on other major responsibilities. Many members are already stretched with holding multiple responsibilities. This will only get worse and is totally understandable if you just look at the numbers. 65% of our membership are near retirement age and older. 42% of our members are 70 years and older. As the bulk of our membership get older and begin to step back from Temple responsibilities and the work that they've done for years, there are fewer members left to pick up the load. It doesn't work to just say that we need more new members. Newer members are coming to the Temple with different expectations and hopes for Temple involvement that are more religiously based than older or 'traditional' members who also have cultural heritage and family history which help drive working for the Temple. There are also generational differences in the role a religious institution plays in an individual's or family's life, as well as differences in patterns of financial giving.

All this was discussed at the recent Board meeting. We will form a Financial Advisory committee and also begin work on making development plans for the empty lot. But there's a lot more to discuss and do. We will be monitoring finances carefully as we move forward with downsizing or retooling an event. If you have an opinion or idea, please discuss it with a Board member or myself. There will be more about all this that I'll be addressing with you in the near future....so again...stay tuned.

SAVE THE DATE

Rev. Kakihara's Sayonara Luncheon will be after service, December 10.

Buddhist Women's Association News



Can't believe it is November already – a favorite family gathering time and loving the fall colors!



Anita Nakayama taught 8 Dharma School students how to make 'omu rice' – a tasty ketchup-flavored rice and ham filled omelet. BWA has sponsored this event for the past few years in recognition of Rennyō Shōnin and notably to make a continuous connection to our students. Thank you, Anita, for sharing your cooking skills with our Dharma

School.

Merlaine Cook chaired our Eshinni Kakushinni Service with her usual poise and confidence, and **Kazuko Inoue** donated and shared an apple with each sangha member. They were so good and crunchy! Thank you very much for your continuous dana, Kazuko, and thank you **Martha Tamaki** for helping pass out the apples!

Patti Wong taught 8 BWA ladies how to make a kimono from a tenugui towel to be sold at the Fall Bazaar Crafts. Thank you for sharing your talents and for your patience, Patti.

BWA member, **Elsie Taniguchi**, had her left hip replaced. Her spirits are high and seems to have no discomfort. She informed me that she plans to be a greeter at Bazaar....we shall see. Glad your surgery went well, Elsie!

We had a very productive general meeting last month. A new toban system will be in place beginning in January; a pamphlet was created for new temple members; new officers were elected for the 2018-2019 term.

President	June Akita	Auditor	Jane Burster
Vice President	Donna Sasaki	Historian	June Weled
Secretary	Riu Pittman	Social Welfare	Kazuko Inoue
Treasurer	Denise Cline	Advisors	Mrs. Miyagi, Patti Wong
Religious Chair	Victoria Everts		

This will be a great new cabinet with new ideas and new energy. ***Patience is our motto.***

We will be making ***daifuku mochi on October 28th*** starting at 8:00 AM. As mentioned earlier, all proceeds go to the Temple. Thank you for giving so much of your time and energy for our Temple.

Our Food and Clothing Drive does continue through December 3rd. Please support a local bank with clean clothing and sealed or canned foods.

BWA also helped inspect and purchase items for the parsonage under the guidance of Tom Hubbell. Thank you **Patti Wong, Yasuko Morita and Michiko Yukawa** for your time and input.

BWA is in charge of serving drinks and desserts for *Rev. Kakahara's Farewell Luncheon Dec. 10th*. If you can help in the morning or during the luncheon, please let me know. All help will be appreciated.

Future BWA Events:

December 3	Food and Clothing Drive ends
December	Sign up for NW District Convention in Spokane
December 10	Help with Rev. Kakahara's Farewell Luncheon
January 28	BWA New Year's Party with Dean Allen Catering
TBD	Lois Yoshida will teach a 'sumi e' class in early 2018

Gassho,
June Akita



DO YOU HAVE A USED CAR TO SELL ?

We are looking to purchase a used family sedan for our new minister.

Age of car, safety features, mileage are factors we're considering.

For more information - contact Mike Shiogi at mshiogi@comcast.net

or call at 253 226-5812

Young Buddhist Association News



Happy fall! We hope all of the Dharma families had a fun time at the Halloween party and thank you to everyone who helped put it together. Can't wait for next year! Recently the YBA and Dharma classes worked with Mrs. Nakayama on cooking Omurice, it was delicious! Thank you so much Mrs. Nakayama for teaching us, we enjoyed learning a simple dish from you that we can't wait to show to our families.



Bodhi day is coming up on December 3rd where the Lotus class conducts the service. We hope you can make it as we work hard to learn how to lead the service and act on the onaijin. Thank you!

Kate

Buddhist Education Committee News



I remember back in 2015 when Rev. Kakihara took a group of us on a trip to Japan and we got to visit his home temple, Eisho-ji in Onomichi in Hiroshima-ken. Because we arrived before the cherry blossoms were in full bloom, someone at Sensei's temple nursed a cherry tree branch so that by the time of our visit, this lovely branch that arched gracefully into the temple grounds was in full bloom. At one point during our visit to Eisho-ji, I asked our travel guide, Yumi, to translate something for me to Sensei's father. "Please tell him that if I ever had a son, I would want him to be just like Kojo", I said. After Yumi translated this to Sensei's father, we bowed to each other. Since 2010, we have seen Rev. Kakihara change from a single young man to a husband and then a father of two. He brought into our lives his lovely wife, Masayo and his two wonderful children, Satone & Shujo.

The BCA will miss Rev. Kakihara, the Tacoma community will miss him and we all will miss him.

We hope you will join us for Rev. Kakihara's Farewell Luncheon on Sunday, December 10th.

In Gratitude,
Lynrae

Toban News

FUJI TAIKO PERFORMANCE at the Around the World event at UWT!

Please come join us for one of our performances at Philip Hall on the University of Washington Tacoma campus. It's Thursday, November 16th at 12PM.

See you there!



November Toban News

Thank you, again, toban groups for keeping our Temple so clean.

Fall Bazaar: ALL MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO HELP November 5
General Clean Up: ALL MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO HELP December 17

Thank you, again, Toban groups for keeping our Temple so clean. The October, November and December Toban groups are included in this update.



November 2017 and December 2017 Toban Groups:

Toban heads are responsible to call group members for set up and clean up for certain Temple events held during the two-month period. The chairs for each two-month period will coordinate with each other to set up the actual dates of the monthly clean-up for those able in their group. Please let Merlaine Cook and Coco Inoue know the clean-up dates to check for other activity conflicts and add to Temple calendar.

All toban Chairs:

Initiate Phone Tree for our Bodhi Day potluck on December 5. (1-salad, 1-dessert, rest-main dish).

Please call your group and remind them of the following dates:

- Annual Fall Bazaar, November 5
- Bazaar clean up, November 7
- Bodhi Day Potluck/General Meeting, December 3
 - General meeting 1 p.m.
 - Service (Lead by YBA) 3 p.m.
 - DS program 4 p.m.
 - Potluck dinner after DS program
- General Temple Clean Up, December 17
- New Year's Eve Service, December 31 at 7 PM

October Toban Group: Erin Berkey (chair), Jeff and Vivian Hiroo, Denise Cline, Tad and Joan Kajimura, Delbert and Cynthia Sasaki

Phone Tree Member – Frank and Midori Komoto

October Group Responsibilities:

- Fall Bazaar: Provide snacks Saturday, November 4 prior to Bazaar. October Toban chair, please coordinate with November Toban chair.

November Toban Group: Les Hitsman and Fred Pelger (chairs), John and Crystal Inge, Allan Oshima, Nancy Butterfield, Jim Akagi, Sandra Swartz, John and Julie Nelligar

Phone tree members: Yaeko Nakano, Charlotte Omoto

November Group Responsibilities:

- Monthly Clean Up with December
- Fall Bazaar: Provide snacks on bazaar set-up Sunday, October 29. November toban chair, please coordinate with December toban chair.
- Fall Bazaar: Provide snacks Saturday November 4 prior to Bazaar. November toban chair, please coordinate with December toban chair.

December Toban Group: Glenn Morita (chair), Renee Moriguchi, Yasuko Morita, Jane Burster, Jim Doyle and Tony Gregg, Jae Bates

Phone tree members: Kats Fujita, Frank and Violet Mizukami

December Group Responsibilities:

- Monthly Clean-up with November toban (December chair to coordinate)
- Fall Bazaar: Provide snacks on bazaar set-up Sunday, October 29. Please coordinate with November toban chair.
- Fall Bazaar: Provide snacks Saturday, November 4 prior to Bazaar. Please coordinate with November toban chair.

From Your Facility Committee



Remember when my October article stated the water fountain was devoid of leaks? Well that was fake news propagated by the Russians who used their hacking skills to insert some rouge information into an otherwise truthful article. Now I can say with confidence the water fountain is in flawless (fingers crossed) operating condition. David Yotsuuye and Bobby Yotsuuye replaced the gasket where the drain hooks in the water fountain. David and I tightened some leaking fittings. It was a slow, awkward process. Due the small space available we were only able to turn the fittings millimeters at a time. But eventually the leaking stopped. However, our hot diggity dog quickly flipped to a doggone it after we discovered dripping from the water fountain valve. After two attempts of

disassembly and reassembly we managed to reincarcerate the out of control water. Despite all the angst I must say my potty mouth must have felt like the Maytag Repair Man. Not once did any four-letter words pass my lips.

After much prodding from Tom Hubbell a contractor came and fixed the toilet in the social hall bathroom. Tony Gregg was kind enough to volunteer to spearhead an effort to obtain estimates for installing a new gas stove, in addition to, refinishing the island top and cabinets in the parsonage. This is so we can truly welcome our incoming minister.

All that being said please thank David Yotsuuye, Tom Hubbell, Tony Gregg, and Del Sasaki for their ongoing support in addressing facility issues as they crop up. Each week Jeff Hiroo and Fred Pelger spiffy up the temple. Additionally, Rick Tanabe, Gary Ichinaga, Bob Yoshioka, and Tad Kajimura support our facility efforts. Kurt Osaka and Osaka Gardens are always hard at work keeping our grounds a sight to behold.

David

TEMPLE OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 12

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

We would like to invite anyone with an interest or curiosity about Buddhism. There will be a brief introduction to Buddhism, the Jodo Shinshu tradition, and temple etiquette.

Monthly Book Club!

Nov. 9 at 7pm at Kings Books

The Book of November:

***Interconnected:
Embracing Life in Our Global
Society***

By Ogyen Trinley Dorje Karmapa

Sips with Sensei!

November 16 at 7pm

The meeting place : TBA

Eitaikyo Perpetual Memorial Family Service

Sunday, November 19, 10am

The Guest Speaker:
Rev. Kosho Yukawa

Our Temple Bazaar, Sunday, November 5th – JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Our last big fundraiser is right around the corner. All hands are needed each day. If you don't have a volunteer position, please ask one of the committee chairs, June Akita or Crystal Inge.

As of publication:

- Servers needed. Contact Donna Sasaki
- Bussers needed. Contact Kevin Ikeda
- Berries needed for pies - frozen is fine. Give to June or leave in freezer in Rev. Pratt room
- Remember: Daylight Savings is Sunday, Nov 5th. Be sure to put clocks back one hour.

Saturday, Oct 28 8:00 am

Daifuku Mochi

Sunday, Oct 29th	11:30 am	Construction set up after service
Friday, Nov 3	8:00 am	Pie making
Saturday, Nov 4th	8:00 am – 2:00pm	Prep: food, table setting, YBA signs, take-out, rice, vegetable washing
Sunday, Nov 5th	8:00 am	Final food prep
Tuesday, Nov 7th	7:00 pm	Clean-up, construction tear down

Volunteers are always needed and sometimes we just forgot to contact folks. Please contact those below or June & Crystal if you haven't been reached and can help. Thank you again for participating!

Committee	Names	Committee	Names
Bake Sales	Debby Abe, Rose Kishi	Permits	June Akita
Bazaar Tickets	Bob Nakayama	Pie	June Akita, Vicki Yoshioka
Bus Boys	Kevin Ikeda	Posters/Publicity	Communications/Outreach committee
Buyers	June Akita, Bob Yoshioka	Rice	David Campbell
Buyer of Meat	Jeff Hiroo, David Yotsuuye	Rice Curry	Kazuko Inoue, Junko Yotsuuye
Cashiers	Ken Tanino	Sanitation	Rick Tanabe
Construction	David Yotsuuye, Tom Hubbell, Del Sasaki	Security	June Akita
Crafts & Rummage	Yasuko Morita (Crafts); Darlene Matsumoto & Jane Burster (Rummage)	Signs	YBA
Daikon (Takuan)	June Akita	Spam	Bob & Anita Nakayama
Dishwashers	Bobby Yotsuuye, Harry Taniguchi Jr.	Take out	Diane & Harold Taniguchi
Health Dept.	June Akita	Table Setters/placemats	Karen Yoshitomi/Merilee Alexander
Hosts	Crystal Inge	Table Servers	Donna Sasaki, Merlaine Cook
Hot Water/Tea	Todd Nakamura, Tracey Kajimura	Teriyaki Chicken	Les Hitsman, Fred Pelger
Kitchen	June Akita	Ticket Distribution	Lynne Tanino
Lunch on Saturday	Merlaine Cook	Tofu Bowl	Mrs. Kurata
Daifuku Mochi	BWA (June)	Tsukemono	David & Kathy Yotsuuye
Menu Order Slip	Lynne Tanino	Udon	Lynne Tanino
Ohagi	Denise Cline	Vegetable Washing	Erik Hammerstrom

Yearly Memorial Services

General Memorial Service Years for 2017

1st Year - 2016	17th Year - 2001
3rd Year - 2015	25th Year - 1993
7th Year - 2011	33rd Year - 1985
13th Year - 2005	50th Year - 1968



November 2017:

1st Year	Nibbana, Demi Renai	Shaku Jun-Raku	November 5, 2016
17th Year	Ikeda, Sachio	Shaku Ko-Ei	November 16, 2001

December 2017:

13th Year	Tanabe, Yoshiko	Shakuni Sho-Shin	December 15, 2005
17th Year	Morita, Charles Haruo	Shaku Shun-Gan	December 1, 2001
25th Year	Mains, Yukiko	Shakuni Jo-Ko	December 31, 1993
33rd Year	Jinguji, Masayo	Shakuni Myo-Sei	December 18, 1985
50th Year	Ikeda, Umejiro	Shaku Sho-Jun	December 17, 1968

January 2018:

3rd Year	Itami, James Masagi	Shaku Shin-Ju	January 1, 2016
	Netter, Anna Henderson	Shakuni Bi-Sho	January 4, 2016
7th Year	Dogen, Toshiko	Shakuni Bi-Ken	January 10, 2012
	Shigio, Chizuko	Shakuni Jyo-Ho	January 22, 2012
13th Year	Murakami, Hideko	Shakuni Ei-Ka	January 13, 2006

Greeters Schedule

Note: Please have new visitors sign up their name and give them the following booklets;

- Temple Information Booklet
- Messages from the Buddha (mini booklet with pale pink cover)
- 1/2 page list of Temple activities
- "Want More Info.." (1/2 sheet form)

If you are not available on the day you are assigned, please find your replacement.

November	5	Fall Bazaar (no service)
	12	Richard Ling/Kevin Ikeda
	19	Lynrae Hubbell/Michael Shiogi
	26	June Weled/David Yotsuuye
December	3	Coco Inoue/Jill Case
	10	Jeff Hiroo/Ellen Shigeno
	17	Yasuko Morita/Henry Stoll
	24	Ken Tanino/Erin Berkey
	31	Jim Doyle/Tony Gregg

COFFEE HOUR
NOVEMBER 19
AFTER SERVICE – REV. PRATT
ROOM



The Dharma School students & teachers learned to make a tasty omurice at the annual BWA sponsored Rennyō Shōnin activity with Anita Nakayama (center, in orange).



Emma takes a second for a glamour shot.



Rio and Xavier keeping a close eye while cooking their omu rice. Is that a bug in my rice?



The Halloween service attracted many in holiday attire and

accessories.

After the service, the YBA sponsored the annual Halloween party for the sangha.





Even from afar, Shujo & Satone are ready for Halloween.



I got my wings, where's the rest of my costume?



Tracy, Maddie and Emma serving the hungry ghosts and goblins.





Tae stopped for a pose before the party begins.



The jack o' lantern elves.
Rio and Crystal helped with the carving.

Even Darth Vader was present at the party. Who is he?



TEMPLE CALENDAR

*November 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 8am Food prep.
5 11am Food & Craft Bazaar <u>No Sunday Service</u>	6 Bazaar	7	8	9 7pm Book Club @Kings Books	10	11
12 8:15am BEC Mtg. 10am Family Service DS & Dharma Exchange 11:30am Open House	13	14	15	16 10am Shinran Shonin Monthly Memorial 7pm Sips with Sensei!	17	18 10am LGBTQ Seminar @ Seattle
19 8:15am Board Mtg. 10am Family Service Eitaikyo (Rev. Yukawa) DS & Dharma Exchange Coffee hour	20 <u>Mvokyo Deadline</u>	21 7pm Interfaith Thanksgiving	22	23 Thanksgiving Day	24	25
26 10am Family Service Buddhism 101 JPN Message (日本語)	27	28	29	30	1	2 BCA Kyokucho Mtg. & Board Mtg. at JSC

* DS - Dharma School, Buddhist Sunday School for children

* Dharma Exchange - Informal Session for adults after Family Service

* There is Wednesday Taiko Session for those who are interested in experiencing Taiko.

Please contact the temple in advance by call or email for the details.

*December 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3 1pm General Mtg. 3pm Bodhi Day Svc. Pot-luck Dinner	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 8:15am BEC Mtg. 10am Family Service DS & Dharma Exchange Rev. K Farewell Luncheon	11	12	13	14 7pm Book Club @Kings Books	15	16 10am Shinran Shonin's Monthly Memorial
17 8:15am Board Mtg. 10am Short Service Temple Clean-up	18 <u>Mvokyo Deadline</u>	19	20 2pm NWD Min. Mtg. @Seattle	21 7pm Sips w/ Sensei	22	23
24 10am Family Service	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 No Sunday Service 7pm Year End Service	1 10am New Year's Day Service	2	3	4	5	6

Just around the corner...

The Tacoma Buddhist Temple's Fall Food & Crafts Bazaar

Sunday, November 5
11 am to 3pm

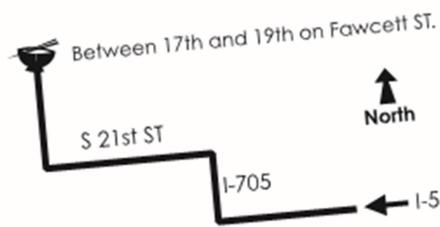
On the Menu:

Chicken Teriyaki
Rice Curry
Udon-Noodles
Tofu Bowl
Spam Musubi
Mochi

Also featuring:

Bake Sale
Rummage Sale
Handicrafts

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We appreciate your support of our annual Bazaar.

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JOIN US FOR A

Farewell Luncheon

In Honor of

Rev. Kojo Kakihara

Sunday, December 10, 2017

12 n - 2 p.m.

Tacoma Buddhist Temple Social Hall

Buffet Lunch \$15 for adults

***Flank steak, Chicken; Vegetarian & Gluten Free offerings**

Child's meal \$5 - under 10 yrs.

***Wendy's chicken nugget & Jr. bacon burger, fries, chocolate milk**

~~~Limited seating~~~

Reservation for Rev. Kojo's Farewell Luncheon

Name _____

Contact number _____

Number of Adult \$15 _____

Children under 10 yrs. \$5 _____

Total \$ _____

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: SUNDAY, November 26, 2017

****Send form w/check payable to Tacoma Buddhist Temple.
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