



URGENT CALLS



The other early morning when I came to the temple and approached the front entrance, I noticed a bird flapping its wings fiercely at the top corner of the left window. First, I couldn't understand what the bird was doing and why. Then I understood that the bird was trying to fly through the window. The bird, perhaps, misunderstood that the window was a part of the sky and wanted to fly toward the sky. I was watching the bird for a while then thought, "Well, soon the bird would get tired and realize that the window was not part of the sky." Thinking thus I went to my office and forgot all about the bird.

About one hour later, I remembered the bird and went outside to look. I thought the bird had already flown away. However, the bird was still flapping its wings. Though much weaker than before it was still struggling. Looking up I called out, "Hey, why don't you look back, look around. There is a lot of space behind you. Fly in that direction." Of course, the bird could not understand what I was saying. So, I went back to the office and got a broom with which I tapped the other side of the window. The bird surprised at the sudden sound of tapping, turned and flew away somewhere. "Oh, foolish bird, you



finally understood there was a lot of space behind you." Looking at the bird I called out, "Fly and enjoy a big sky!"

Then, for the first time, I noticed two tiny birds lying at the corner of the entry way. They had been dead perhaps for a couple of days. I thought, "If I see them struggling, I would have been able to help them, too. They did not need to die like this. Poor birds!"

A thought came to me. Are we not like these birds from the eyes of the Buddha of wisdom? Are we not trapped by our own ignorance in the world full of blind passions of greed, anger, hatred and jealousy? The sutra says: Foolish people caught in the cycle of birth-and-death — being turned in transmigration — never awaken, never give rise to the heart of Buddha.

Transmigration is sometimes called reincarnation. It is not something over there. We are creating it in our everyday life, here and now and do not know where we are going. Out of pity and compassion the Buddha has been calling out to us, "Can't you see? There is Buddha's world beyond your small self. Please awaken, please give rise to everlasting and unconditional compassion of Amida Buddha. I'll never leave you alone!" This is a compassionate calling of Amida Buddha. This is *namo amida butsu*. Shinran Shonin said *namo amida butsu* is Amida's urging calling of invitation and welcome — Take refuge in Amida. When we awaken to and encounter this calling, we are able to fly in the world of the Buddha, the realm which is like the sky, boundless and limitless without ego-attachment.

In gassho,
Yasuo Izumi, Minister
Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta

人間の欲心

最近、ビーシーのステプストン仏教会の90周年記念晩餐会並びにその法要に参加してきました。このような慶事で気づくことは、晩餐会に万障繰り合わせて出席して下さる方たちが、法要にも全員集まって下さったら本当に意義ある集まりになるだろうな、ということです。しかし、これは自分(開教使)の立場で見ているからでしょう。立場が変われば、やはり山海の珍味の方にだけひかれるかもしれません。

一般に、晩餐会から比べれば、法要は、そんなに魅力のある、楽しいものではないのではないのでしょうか。法要には法話がつきものですが、それを心待ちにする方は、よほど仏法に親しんでこられた方でしょう。法味愛楽(ほうみ あいぎょう)という言葉はそのような方々のためにあるようです。文字通り「法の味を愛で楽しむ」ということです。お経の中に、「人は欲心のために走り使われて、安きときあることなし」とあります。人間が、五感(眼、耳、舌、口、体)及び心の欲するままに振り回され、欲の奴隷のように使われてしまうことがあります。そこには、本当の安らぎも落ち着きもなく、そのまま一生を空しく終えていかねばならないよ、というお言葉です。楽しいから、面白いからと欲の赴くままに生きると、空しさしか残らないということでしょうか。空しいとは、実りがない、ということです。このような人間の一生を、わがことのように心を痛め、悲しみ、本当に充実した、広く温かいお浄土の世界に導こうと働いて下さるのが阿弥陀如来と呼ばれる仏様であります。忙しい日々の中にも、静かにわが心を見つめ、仏様の働きに耳を傾ける時間をつくりたいものであります。

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Special Meeting Results from Sept. 30

A special general membership meeting Sept. 30 resulted in accepting (1) two matters related to the temple financial investment policy; and (2) a plan to upgrade the audio/visual system in the hondo (sanctuary). The meeting was held following the regular Sunday service.

The membership agreed unanimously to have eliminated the phrase “investment grade at least BBB” from the current investment policy; and, with a single objection via proxy, to expand the BTSA investment portfolio beyond GICs with the guidance of the investment adviser.

The second resolution that carried unanimously approves the A/V system upgrade, including the purchase of a camera and projectors, with a maximum expenditure set at \$25,000.

Please refer to the October Hikari for the background to the foregoing items.

JSBTC Day Reminder

A reminder that BTSA continues to solicit donations for JSBTC Day which was observed formally at the Oct. 28 Sunday service. Please consider making a donation to the national organization to help in their propagation activities throughout Canada.

JSBTC is asking BTSA and all local temples to comply with the effective Canada Not-for-Profit Act by first counting the donations received and to receipt donors, then forwarding the proceeds with the list of names and addresses of the donors and the amounts donated.

BTSA will credit the donors and issue receipts at the end of the year that include donations made to JSBTC on JSBTC Day. Donors should write their cheques payable to BTSA, indicating “JSBTC Day” in the memo area of the cheque. JSBTC thanks all donors in advance for observing this procedure.

CHAIR SCHEDULE November & December 2018

Services begin at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Nov 04 SHOTSUKI
Chair: Sheila Oishi
Audio: Ross Jacobs

Nov 11
Chair: Florence Senda
Audio: Tak Okamura

Nov 18
Chair: John Dubbelboer
Audio: Akira Ichikawa

Nov 25
Chair: Deanna Jones
Audio: Sway Nishimura

Dec 02 SHOTSUKI
Chair: Roland Ikuta
Audio: John Dubbleboer

Dec 09
Chair: Katie Nakagawa
Audio: Brenda Ikuta

Dec 16, 22 & 30
NO SERVICE

Dec 31 (Monday)
Joya No Kane, 11:30 p.m.
New Year's Eve, Nikka Yuko
Garden (weather permitting)

Translation 17 (continued from the last issue)

This is a continuation of translations of Kudensho (Note On Oral Transmission) begun in the September, 2016 Hikari. Kudensho is a Jodo Shinshu historic text believed to have been written by Kakunyo (1270-1351), a great-grandson of Shinran, and translated by Rev. Phillip Eidmann and Rev. Yasuo Izumi.

To speak of the time of the preaching of what is called threefold sutras, the Larger Sutra of Immeasurable Life manifests the preaching of what is the True and Real of the Dharma of Other Power. It is directed toward all incarnated beings.

As for the Sutra of Contemplation on Immeasurable Life, it sets up for true and real being. This, indeed, is the real being, Vaidehi, a so-called woman of the five obstacles¹ to whom the Amida's vow is directed, and the woman of the remote latter age is also made equal to be saved by Amida's vow.

The Smaller Sutra of Amida sets forth unifying two sutras of the Contemplation Sutra which is for true and real being and the Larger Sutra above: unifying the two sutras, it says: One cannot, on the basis of small roots of goodness or conditional merit and virtue, attain birth in that land. Therefore, Shan-tao commented, “Shakyamuni Buddha preached the Smaller Sutra of Amida and he is finished.

The matter of the essence wrapped up in preaching during Shakyamuni's whole life being the main intention which, with Amida Buddha's Name, adheres and passes widely, you should see the passage. On this basis of these sutras, Shakyamuni preached the Dharma to the ordinary being who creates evil in the last age.

On this basis, the matter is clear that the main intent of the various Buddhas arising in the word is the fountainhead of sentient beings' getting release. How much more than the main purpose is in what is called the Lotus Sutra: today's Pure Land teaching is a teaching of the same taste.

The reason is that in that in the eight years which are the time of the preaching of Lotus Sutra, during appearing of the five grave offences² in the king Bimbisara's place, it came to pass at this time that Shakyamuni quit preaching Lotus Sutra on Mount Rajagriha's assembly and, descending, preached the Other Power. The original intent of all these, from Virtuous Ocean Buddha down to the life time of Shakyamuni is the great purport, which originates with the single teaching of Amida.

¹ Nature of solid, lust, weak, jealous, evil passions

² Killing father, mother, monk, injuring the Buddha, and creating disharmony in the Sangha

Daylight Time Ends – Nov. 4

Reminder that daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. on Nov. 4, the first Sunday of the month. That's the monthly memorial service day—or Shotsuki—for November. Make sure your clock is set back an hour before going to sleep. Don't be locked out of the temple by coming an hour earlier than usual.



Curry Dinner, Movie Night

More than 60 persons were served at a curry dinner Sept. 29, before a movie night at the temple. Brenda Ikuta reported that 11 volunteers worked in the kitchen under the curry expertise of Eiko Aoki. Both beef and vegetarian curry dishes were on the menu, along with rice, corn on the cob, assorted pickles, fruit and an variety of desserts with “an”, the Japanese bean paste.

The last reflected the movie that followed, *An* (translated as Sweet Bean), a touching recounting of an old woman’s love of preparing the bean paste in the context of larger financial and societal issues.

As a fund-raiser, receipts of \$500 were recorded. Thanks to all who took part.



MOVIE NIGHT At The Temple

Friday, November 23 @ 7pm

Indian Horse follows the life of Canadian First Nations boy, Saul Indian Horse, as he survives residential school and life amongst the racism of the 1970s. A talented hockey player, Saul must find his own path as he battles stereotypes and alcoholism. Based on the novel by Richard Wagamese.

- Running time: 1h 41m
- Rating: 14A
- Admission is free, donations accepted.



ANNUAL FOOD BANK APPEAL

The BTSA board has approved the annual Food Bank request for this year. As in the past, the box in the multipurpose room beckons to members and friends to have it filled with donated non-perishable goods. BTSA again will estimate the amount collected in February, 2019, and match the estimate with a cheque made out to the recipient organization; for this round, it’ll be the Lethbridge Interfaith Food Bank. Here is a list of most wanted items.

Non-Perishable Food Items

Canned fruit/vegetables
Meat/salmon/tuna (canned)
Soup (cans & mixes)
Canned pasta/stew
Spaghetti sauce
Unsweetened juices
Baby food in jars
Boxed cereal
Infant cereal
Baby formula
Pork & beans (canned)
Peanut butter
Jam
Macaroni & cheese
Hamburger Helper

Non-Food items

Financial contributions
Grocery gift cards



BAKED POTATO FUNDRAISER

Sunday November 4th after service

A baked potato lunch with ALL the fixin’s a baked potato could imagine! The lunch is free but donations are gratefully accepted and will be allocated to the cost of our new AV system. Please join us for this spudtacular event !



Women’s Federation Forum

If you would like to find out what the Women’s Federation does, if you would like more information on the World Convention, or if you would like to have input in direction of the WF, please join us **December 9, 2018** after Bodhi Day service.

Bring some loose change lying around your house and we will find out how easy it is to support efforts like Change for Children.



CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

2018 Membership Form

- Full Membership (\$100 for each member)
 Student Membership*

Last Name: _____ First Names(s): _____

Last Name: _____ First Names(s): _____

Home Address: _____

City, Province, Postal Code: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Cellphone No.: _____

Email: _____

Check to receive The Hikari newsletter by email only.

Please send this form and your remittance to:
 Buddhist Temple of Southern Alberta Treasurer
 470 40th Street South
 Lethbridge, AB, T1J 3Z5

***Note**

Student membership is limited to persons 18 years or older who are currently registered in a recognized educational institution. It is free of charge with a valid student ID card. Student Members are not entitled to vote at general meetings or to hold office in the BTSA and this category does not include membership in the Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temples of Canada, the national organization.

LET'S EXPAND THE CIRCLE OF THE DHARMA!

Membership as of Oct 26: 188

Shotsuki Hoyo

October 2018

- John & Rita Aoki
- Malcolm & Mary Clewes
- Judy Fukushima
- Dorene Gordon
- Shirley Higa
- Lois Hinz
- Tomi Hisaoka
- Rumiko Ibuki
- Rev Yasuo & Sachi Izumi
- Yutaka & Chiyomi Matsuno
- Gary E & Beverly S McIlroy
- Ken & Vickie Nakagama
- Setsuko Ohno
- Heidi Oishi
- Larry Osaka
- Yumiko Osaka
- Ayumi Sawada
- Yoshiko Sawada
- Bob & Eiko Shigehiro
- Tom & Mitsuko Shigehiro
- Harry Sugimoto
- Kazuko Sugimoto

- Tomiko Sugimoto
- Robert & Judy Takaguchi
- Glen & Pamela Tanaka
- Masaye Tanaka
- Cathy Taniguchi
- Shirley Taniguchi
- Jim, Marion or Shannon Tomiyama
- Joe & Sumiko Tomiyama
- Tak & Yoko Tsujita
- David & Hoa L. Tsukishima
- Sumie Tsukishima
- Keiko Tsukishima

Total - \$1,675

Other Donations

October 2018

- Maurice or Deena Bevers
- CanadaHelps.Org
- Fairfield Appliances Ltd
- Marg Fujita
- Kynan Gordon
- Norris Hironaka
- Rumiko Ibuki
- Wayne & Rhonda Kwan

- Sway & Toshiko Nishimura
- Mitsuko Oga
- Noriko Oga
- Ken Ohno or Nancy Eng
- Heidi Oishi
- Gordon & Joy Saruwatari
- Reiko Takeyasu
- Clifford Thomas
- Marie Uyesugi

Total - \$3,921.40

Please inform us if your name has been omitted from or misspelled in the donation lists. Anyone wishing his/her name not to be acknowledged in print, please let us know so it will not be published. Thank you.

BTSA also acknowledges the kind donations—monetary, goods, discounts—made by the following for this Fall's Chow Mein Supper:

- Fairfield Appliances - Glen Tanaka
- Gouw's Quality Onions - Casey and Kyle Gouw
- Hironaka Employees Benefits - Norris Hironaka
- Wayne and Rhonda Kwan
- R. Nakagama Co. - Ken and Vicky Nakagama
- South Country Co-op, Taber – Rod Yokoyama
- Taber Transport
- Joe, Sumi & Wanda Tomiyama - dill pickles
- Wesbridge Construction - Frank Beekman

More Chow Mein Supper news on page 6



Packaged Suppers



Three Assembly Lines



Traffic Control



Drive-thru line-up

REGULAR EVENTS

The Lethbridge Karaoke Club Wednesdays @ 1pm
Contact Nao 403.327.7357

NCS Adult Taiko Tuesdays @ 7pm
Contact David Tanaka 403.330.1548, david@albrio.com

Minyo Dance I Tuesdays @ 4pm

Minyo Dance II (Beginners Level) Mondays @ 6pm
Contact Pat Sassa, sas7@telus.net

Tonari Gumi Tuesdays @ 1 pm
Contact Heidi Oishi 403.330.6461 or
heidi.oishi@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Condolences

Ayako Murakami (98) October 10, 2018
Elmer Dell Bolic (89) October 11, 2018

Junior Minyo Dance Sundays @ 12 to 12:30
A young beginners class (ages 4-8, older kids welcome) will be offered during the month of November for 4 weeks and again in the new year if interest continues. Yukatas available.
Contact Pat Sassa, 403.329.3105 sas7@telus.net

Craft Sale A community craft sale is planned for Saturday, November 17, 10 am to 4 pm. Organized by Hisae Price and Debbie Friesen, it will be held at the BTSA using the the east door for entrance. Contact Hisae at 403.345.3356 for further information or if you wish to be a vendor.

TOBAN UPDATE

Appreciation to **Toban 2** for October activities. **Toban 4** is up for the month of November. Many thanks to Judy Takaguchi, toban members, friends and youth who so willingly made the **Chow Mein Supper** another success.

Schedule

Nov: Toban 4 Dec: Toban 3

Soup Kitchen 2019

March 20 | April 23 | May 21 | June 5

Contact: Lorita at 403.327.1668
or lorita.ichikawa@gmail.com

This year 11 dharma youth volunteered as Runners at the Chow Mein Supper takeout. Thank you to Asha and Lily who took on a supervisory role and made sure that everyone was having a share of the action but not tripping on each other. Over the years the customers and adult volunteers have shown their appreciation of the youth presence with tips. Recently, it has noticeably grown, so the youth initiated donating \$124.00 in tip to the temple. Don't you love how Dana works!

To the Car Attendant
Here's a tip!
Thank you Thank you
Nice to see young
people smiling
and volunteering
for their church and
their family!

Bodhi Bake and Craft Sale



**Saturday
December 1, 2018
1:00-3:00 p.m.**

Please consider donating...

1) Baking

- It is greatly appreciated when items are brought between 9 am and noon to allow for pricing and setup.

2) Crafts

- Crafts can be dropped off in the Boardroom anytime before noon, December 1 to allow for pricing/setup.
- Please leave your name on the package and your contact information.

3) Your time

- Mein/manju making and other cooking and craft projects, Saturday sales, Bake Sale Committee

Interested in participating in this event?

Contact: Brenda Ikuta at (403) 317-0078 or
rolikuta@shaw.ca

**Thank you in advance for working together to make this a successful FUNdraiser!*

Mein-Making - Nov. 3

Another mein-making session is scheduled for Nov. 3 (Saturday), beginning at 8 a.m. This time, the mein noodles produced will be available for the temple bake sale in December. Members and friends are heartily welcomed to assist in this temple fund-raiser.



CHOW MEIN SUPPER

Fall chow mein supper preparations on Oct. 13--the day before the supper--brought out many members and friends to help cut vegetables, set up and cook sweet and sour ribs, and make egg garnish. It was a thoroughly busy day, eased by social interaction and exchanges.



Preparing Egg Garnish



Cutting Celery



Stripping Onions



Weighing Ingredients

Prepping ribs



Chow Mein Supper Day on the following Sunday--Oct. 14--was a renewal of the drive-through tradition under blue and bright autumn skies. Thanks to all the Dharma members and friends who helped out in assembly lines, chow mein cooking over hot woks, handing out suppers to customers, cleaning up, and a multitude of other tasks connected to such an undertaking.

A special appreciation to Judy Takaguchi who chaired and oversaw the event. An unaudited summary of revenue and expense is:

Financial Summary

Total Receipts (incl. donations)	\$28,364.00
Total Expenses (excl mein-making)	7,529.95
Net Profit	\$20,834.05



All woks going



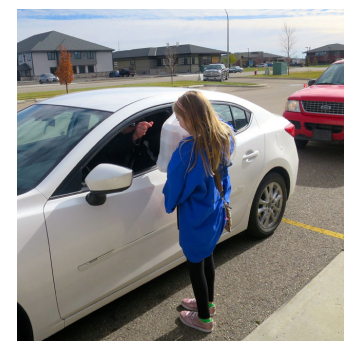
Tickets, please



Rice is ready



Busy line



Delivery

Haines talk

BTSA Member Jeff Haines gave a talk at the Oct. 21st Sunday service when Izumi sensei was a guest minister at the 90th anniversary of the Steveston Buddhist Temple. Jeff, who is a student studying for the ministry, teaches in Brooks, AB. The Hikari will print the first half of his talk here and conclude in the December issue.

The following is a Dharma Talk I wrote for my trip to Berkeley, California this past summer. It is the second time I was to write one and it was the second time we ended up never having to share it. To be honest I didn't write one the first time. I really didn't feel prepared to share my thoughts on Buddhism at the time. Maybe one will never feel ready. This Dharma talk that was prepared but never presented was shared with a few people to see if I was on the right track. Sensei gave me some feedback. He said people want to know what I think on an aspect of Buddhism. You see I'm pretty used to writing papers and having to reference people. In academics that's kind of important. But what I was sensing from Sensei was I needed to share my thoughts on the Dharma and how it has impacted me. So the following Dharma talk touches on the one I wrote in the summer, but I changed it a bit to include how I see some of the principles of Buddhism and more importantly Shin Buddhism.

I think the hardest aspect for me since I arrived here at temple has been the language surrounding Amida Buddha. Sometimes I would hear "faith in Amida Buddha" or "Amida Buddha's great compassion". It always left me with this sense of God acting over. I realize this is because I grew up in largely a Christian nation with Christian traditions. Although my childhood didn't contain any Christian beliefs, as we didn't attend church we still celebrated all the major holidays as a family, most significantly Christmas. Growing up in Canada the term 'faith' is pretty loaded. I'm not sure this is the best translation of 'shin' from the Japanese to English, especially for Shin Buddhism. But that's a topic for another Dharma Talk. Amida Buddha for me is, as sensei has said, the personification of ultimate truth or reality. It is taking an idea or concept and trying to use words and people to explain it. It's like a feeling you get but you can't fully explain it to each other. We've taken all the teachings from Shakyamuni Buddha, all the conclusions from those teachings and put them in to this "person" of Amida Buddha. Amida Buddha represents to me that ultimate reality, that we can't ever fully grasp. As Shinran realized we can't understand because of our foolish nature. We have both the aspects of nirvana and samsara. Amida Buddha or ultimate truth reminds me of a story about my wife's grandpa. He would tell of a story how he was trying to understand Albert Einstein's $E=MC^2$. Her grandpa would say how for a brief moment he understood it. Then a moment later it was gone. That's sometimes how I feel about Amida Buddha. That I get this sense of what it is, and then I "forget". For me Amida Buddha has a lot to do with the realization of something much greater than ourselves. When I reflect on Amida Buddha and say the nembutsu I'm reminding myself of those greater things. The impermanence of life, the interconnected nature of life, the cause and conditions of life such as my karma. It is this realization that I'm not the only person here on earth that impacts how I should behave. It is with this realization that comes great humility and great

responsibility. I've been tinkering with how to explain that sense of Amida Buddha to others. I kind of think it might be like a cell in our body realizing that is not only independent, but ultimately connected to the rest of the body. It plays a role in the functioning of the body. It's this realization that you are both insignificant and significant right at the same time. This is where, for me Other Power was important for Shinran. If we continue with my cell analogy we realize we are a part of a much greater thing, the body or Amida Buddha. That largely, since we are a cell, we have a hard time grasping the body's significance. But ultimately we play a role in its functioning. That functioning is ultimate truth. Not because the cell caused it but it was caused by all the cells in the body or Amida Buddha. I apologize if that wasn't a great analogy, it's a work in progress. So let's move to what this might mean for us as people. Shinran said that it is this 'faith' or 'shinjin' in Amida Buddha that impacts us the most as people. I believe what he meant is a deep seeded awareness of something much greater than ourselves and our limitations due to that.

So we take this concept of Amida Buddha and Shinran's 'shin' or 'faith' into our everyday lives and I truly believe there are many aspects of Buddhism and Shin Buddhism in particular that could have great benefit for North Americans today. These aspects could impact us both as individuals and as a society.

First, I'd like to comment on what it might mean for us as individuals. In North American society, at times, there is a focus on individual wants and needs. This reflective aspect on Amida Buddha reminds us to think about our interactions with each other and challenge us to dig deep into ourselves to determine if our ego or selfish nature is rising in the situation. By becoming aware of this aspect within myself, and even wearing a nenju daily, I have found I was becoming more conscious of the potential for discussions with people to become more about myself and my needs and less about the situation and what was needed in that moment. With the help of Shin Buddhism I find, at work, I am now much more aware of this and can at times stop my ego from rising ahead of time. For example, in a meeting after school a co-worker started talking about a new policy in a very racist and hurtful manner. I could feel my heart racing as I wanted to say something to address the comments. It was looking at the nenju and practicing deep mind that allowed me to see that my emotions were leading to a potential argument. The benefit of Shin Buddhism was evident here as I was able to see much more clearly how I felt and make a decision as to say something or not. In that instance I chose not to. Another more unfortunate example is when I heard a co-worker being short and, what I might consider rude, with children. I walked away from the situation, but not heeding my emotions I made a comment to another co-worker using that other person's name as they followed me. I was unaware and they heard me complain of them. Although I was unable, in that moment, to stop it from happening I was able to self-reflect and hopefully prepare for another time where I will not let my emotions control my response. Considering both circumstances, the realization of Amida Buddha and 'shin', provided a point of reflection where I can consciously choose to speak without causing pain, making a situation worse or maybe attempt to make things better, but not through anger.

To be continued.



NOVEMBER: TOBAN 4

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OFFICIAL BTSA ACTIVITY					Pastoral Care Mtg. at CRH	Mein-making 10:30am Explore Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu
10:30am Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service* 12pm Jr. Minyo	6pm Minyo II	1pm Tonari Gumi 4pm Minyo I	9:30am Gentle B Yoga 11am Gentle R Yoga 1pm Karaoke Death & Dying U of L*	1	2	10:30am Explore Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
10:30am Regular Service* 12pm Jr. Minyo	6pm Minyo II	1pm Tonari Gumi 4pm Minyo I	9:30am Gentle B Yoga 11am Gentle R Yoga 1pm Karaoke 2pm LCC visit* 7pm Board Mtg*	8	9	10:30am Explore Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
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10:30am Regular Service* 12pm Jr. Minyo	6pm Minyo II	1pm Tonari Gumi 4pm Minyo I		29	30	

DECEMBER: TOBAN 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:30am Shotsuki Monthly Memorial Service*	6pm Minyo II	1pm Tonari Gumi 4pm Minyo I	1pm Karaoke			1 10:30am Explore Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
10:30am Jodo-E (Shakyamuni Buddha's Enlightenment Day)*		1pm Tonari Gumi	1pm Karaoke 2pm LCC visit* 7pm Board Mtg*			10:30am Explore Buddhism & Jodo Shinshu*
No Service		1pm Tonari Gumi	1pm Karaoke			
No Service						
No Service	11:30pm Joya No Kane at Nikka Yuko Garden (weather permitting)	Jan. 1 10:30am New Year's Day Service				