



Buddha's Birthday 2016

Friday, May 27

Morning
6:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Following Jukai

Temple Night/Jukai

Formal sitting at 5:45. Work as usual at 8:00 a.m.

Children's Jukai (in the Buddha Hall)

Refreshments for children immediately after the ceremony (in the dining room)

Temple Night concluding with **Jukai (*Taking-the-Precepts*) Ceremony** at about 9:10. An unstructured time for zazen, offerings, and individual devotions at altars in the Buddha Hall (children welcome from 7:00 – 7:45). People are invited to bring their buddha and bodhisattva figures from home to place on the main (largest) altar.

Buddha Hall remains open for informal sitting

Saturday, May 28

Morning
10:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

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12:30 p.m. (approx)

1:15 p.m. (approx)

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4:30 p.m.

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No formal sitting. Breakfast at 7:30, work at 8:00 a.m.

Rakusu Ceremony (for those who have sewn rakusus)

Pouring Sweet Tea Over the Baby Buddha (drop your potluck dishes off in the main house and then go out to the Buddha Hall)

Chanting and Story of the Buddha's Birth, followed by Sleeping Sage and Parade

Potluck Lunch

Bring a hearty vegetarian picnic salad or casserole to share (no desserts, please - beverages and cake provided by ZC)

Buddha's Birthday cupcake tower

Dokusan with Roshi for out-of-town members

Annual Corporate Meeting in the Buddha Hall (for members and Friends)

Sunday, May 29

8:30-10:15

Zazen and Chanting

Monday, May 30

Center closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 31

Center reopens with evening sitting