

## **Buddha's Birthday 2024**

Friday, May 24 Temple Night/Jukai

Morning Formal sitting at 6:00 a.m. Work as usual at 8:00 a.m.

5:45 p.m. Youth Jukai (in the Buddha Hall followed by

refreshments in the dining room)

7:00 p.m. Temple Night concludes with **Jukai** (*Taking-the-Precepts*) Ceremony

at about 9:00. An unstructured time for zazen, offerings, and

individual devotions at the main altar in the Buddha Hall (children

welcome until 7:30). Will also be broadcast on Zoom.

Following Jukai Buddha Hall remains open for informal sitting

Saturday, May 25 Buddha's Birthday

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

10:45-11:20 a.m. Gamelan Orchestra (outside near the Buddha Hall)

10:30 a.m. Rakusu Ceremony (for those who have sewn rakusus)

11:00 a.m. **Pouring Sweet Tea** over the Baby Buddha (drop your vegetarian

potluck dish off in the dining room and then go out to the

Buddha Hall)

11:30 a.m. Chanting and Story of the Buddha's Birth, followed by Sleeping Sage

and **Parade** 

12:30 p.m. (approx.) Potluck Lunch

Bring a hearty vegetarian picnic salad or casserole to share

(no desserts, please – cake & beverages provided by ZC)

1:15 (approx.) Buddha's Birthday cupcake tower

1:30 (approx.) Dokusan with John-sensei

Sunday, May 26 Center closed

Monday, May 27 Center closed for Memorial Day. No formal in-person sittings.

Zoom sitting at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28 Center reopens with morning in-person sitting (6:00)