

A Life of Gratitude.

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DECEMBER 2024

Spokane Buddhist Temple

A Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Temple

All are welcome.

Please PRE-ORDER your Traditional Mochi for New Year's Day

Traditional Mochi - 4 Pieces \$8.00

Dessert Mochi - 6 pcs \$8.00

We will also have Japanese items for sale

PRE-ORDER your Traditional Mochi by Sunday December 29th

****Limited number being made****

PRE-ORDER, email: SpokaneBuddhistTemple@gmail.com

PICK UP your order(s) on Tuesday, December 31st 4:00-6:15PM

This is a Japanese New Year's Tradition. where many Japanese households will take part in the annual tradition of mochitsuki, the pounding of rice to make mochi. Mochi, also called a rice cake, is pounded sweet rice that can be eaten in a sweet or savory dish.

- Crumble or cube this mochi and add it to Miso soup, Ozoni Soup or Hot Udon noodle soup
- Or you could toast the mochi and top it with a sweet or savory topping, or add it to any other dish.

****We need volunteers on Monday 12/30 at 11:30AM to help make Dessert Mochi, and volunteers to help sell on 12/31 4 - 6:15PM.**

JAPANESE NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

Sunday, Dec 31st 4:00-6:15PM

MochiFest Sales

Traditional mochi, dessert mochi Japanese items and antiques, such as Vintage Japanese dolls, prints & dishes.

***PRE-ORDERS are required for traditional mochi.**



6:30-7:00PM

Joya-E New Year's Eve Buddhist Service

This is a family friendly service. Japanese New Year is one of the most important holidays in Japan, celebrated with time off of work, family reunions, and traditional rituals. *It is said that one must eat mochi on New Year's Day or face a year of bad luck.*

Ring in 2025! with the **"Bell of the Last Night Service,"** a cultural, spiritual Buddhist observance. There will be a short service, followed by everyone participating in the ringing of the "calling bell" a portion of 108 times at the end of the service. This symbolically rings out the 108 delusions of people and rings in our aspiration to overcome ignorance, greed and anger in the coming year. It is a way to reflect on the events of 2024 and move away from our selfish and ego-centered ways and toward our interconnectedness.

Everyone who comes gets to ring the Kansho bell.



BODHI DAY SERVICE

Sunday, Dec 8th 10:30

Bodhi Day is the day we celebrate the Buddha's Enlightenment. According to tradition, Buddha (Siddhartha) had forsaken years of extreme ascetic practices and he resolved to sit under a Pipul tree and simply meditate until he found the root of all suffering, and how to liberate one's self from it.

Please join us Sundays at 10:30AM

12/1 Group Meditation at 9:30AM
with Karen Vielle
Sangha Service at 10:30AM

12/8 Bodhi Day Service at 10:30AM
Shotsukihoyo

12/15 Sangha Service at 10:30

12/22 Sangha Service at 10:30AM
Cookie Potluck at 11:30AM
(Bring your favorites to share)

12/29 **NO SERVICE**

12/31 Mochi Fest | New Year's Celebration & Sales at 4:00PM

Joya-E Service at 6:30PM



DEC 22ND - COOKIE POTLUCK

Right after Service at 11:30AM
Bring your favorite cookies to share!

CLASS & EVENT SCHEDULE

TO SCAN QR CODE S BELOW:

Point the camera on your phone at the QR code, then tap on the URL that pops up on screen.

Group Meditation with Karen Vielle (In-Person)
1st Sunday of each month 9:30am

**Inside Spokane Buddhist Temple before Service*

Virtual Group Meditation (Zoom)
Every Wednesday 9:00am



**Scan QR Code to join the Zoom at 9:00am.*
Zoom hosted by White River Buddhist Temple



Mindfulness in Shin Buddhism (Zoom)
Every Wednesday 7:00pm
(Meditation/Dharma Talk/Open Discussion)

**Scan QR Code to join the Zoom at 7:00pm.*
Zoom hosted by Vista Buddhist Temple

Jodo Shinshu 101 (Zoom)
with Rev. Koyama
Dec 11th 6:00pm



**Scan QR Code to Register.*
Zoom hosted by Tacoma Buddhist Temple



Chanting Class (Zoom)
Dec 21st 5:00 - 7:30pm

Zoom hosted by Yakima Buddhist Temple

Introduction to Meditation (Zoom)
Jan 4th 10:00 - 11:00pm

Every other Saturday at 10:00am

**Scan QR Code to join the Zoom at 10:00am.*
Zoom hosted by White River Buddhist Temple



Setting Up Your Sacred Space (Zoom)
- Jan 17th 2:00pm

Zoom hosted by EverydayBuddhist.org



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Please turn in your 2025 Pledge Form

Annual dues are only \$300/year
OR only \$25/month per person

Your dues and donations contributed throughout the year keep the lights on, support our minister's education, and allow us to continue to spread the Dharma. Please pick up a pledge form at the Temple or print it from our website.

Thank you for supporting our temple.

Board Member Election Ballots

from 2024 dues-paying members are due back at the Temple by Dec 15th.

We're hiring:

The Temple is looking for a part time admin to be paid as an independent contractor.

***For details from our Board President Joe Bracco.**

Do you have Japanese Items to donate for our year end sale?

Japanese items and antiques, such as Vintage Japanese dolls, clothes, prints & dishes, prints, scrolls, ceramics, books, etc.

**This sale supports the education
of our Minister Assistants.**

To donate items, please Email:

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or bring them to Service on Sunday.

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