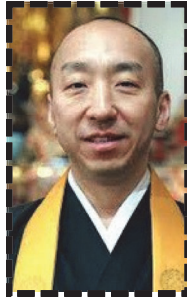


Why is there no Shakyamuni Buddha in the Jodo Shinshu temple's altar?

by Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki

People ask me various questions about the temple's altar. One of the questions is "Why is there no Shakyamuni Buddha in the Jodo Shinshu temple's altar?"



In Seattle Betsuin's Naijin (altar), Amida Buddha's statue is enshrined in the center. Our founder Shinran Shonin's portrait is enshrined on the right-side alcove altar when you are facing the Naijin altar. Rennyo Shonin's (8th religious leader) portrait is hung on the left-side alcove altar. There are rooms called Yoma on both sides of Naijin altar. In the right side Yoma when we face the Naijin altar, the scroll with the portrait of Prince Shotoku is hung, and in the left-side Yoma, the scroll with the portrait of the Seven Masters from India, China, and Japan is hung. Indeed, there is no Shakyamuni Buddha statue or portrait there.



About 2,500 years ago Sakyamuni Buddha delivered the Buddha Dharma in India and Nepal. Sakyamuni Buddha's teaching was spread and introduced to Asian countries. About 1,000 years later, the Buddha Dharma eventually reached the east end of Asia, Japan, and now, it has spread all over the world. After Sakyamuni Buddha attained enlightenment, he did not stay in one place. Instead, he traveled and conveyed Buddha Dharma in different places. He occasionally preached to the masses of people and to small groups. He even gave his guidance individually to just one person. He did not say that everyone must follow the same path. It was not a fixed guidance. He conveyed his teaching according to each

person's concern and suffering. So, in Buddhism, it was said there are 84,000 teachings and paths to follow. After Shakyamuni Buddha passed away his disciples and Buddhist monks kept learning and spread the teaching to different areas.

Sakyamuni Buddha's teachings were translated into different languages. In the long history of Buddhism some teaching might be lost. Some teaching might be translated incorrectly. Some other teaching was possibly inserted into Buddha's teaching. Even if I was able to receive 84,000 of Sakyamuni Buddha's teaching I, as Bombu, (imperfect person), would not be able to understand them correctly. Moreover, I do not think that I can pick a right teaching among them. I need a teacher who will guide me to understand the teaching correctly. In different eras and countries, many Buddhist monks and scholars researched, studied, and taught Buddha Dharma to their students and followers. As a result, many different sects of Buddhism were eventually formed.

We follow the Jodo Shinshu teaching. Our founder is Shinran Shonin. At the Jodo Shinshu temple, we learn and listen to Sakyamuni Buddha's teaching (Buddhism) in the way Shinran Shonin understood them. Shinran Shonin stated in his writing, Shoshinge, "Sakyamuni Tathagata appeared in this world solely to teach the oceanlike Primal Vow of Amida." In Jodo Shinshu, we appreciate that Shakyamuni Buddha was born in this human world to introduce Amida Buddha's wisdom and compassion. Shinran Shonin revealed that The Three Pure Land Sutras, among all Sakyamuni Buddha's teachings, are the teachings (sutras) we rely on.

Because Amida Buddha's teaching is the essence of Buddhism, Amida Buddha is enshrined in the center, and The Three Pure Land Sutras are always set in the Naijin altar. These Amida Buddha's teachings, which Sakyamuni Buddha conveyed, were kept and



passed down by Seven Masters in India, China, and Japan. Prince Shotoku was the one who adopted Buddhism in Japan in the 6th century. About 500 years later from Prince Shotoku's time, Shinran Shonin encountered the teaching of Amida Buddha. Shinran Shonin revealed this teaching and wrote many books for people who follow the teaching. Shinran Shonin's descendants were respected as our religious leaders (Gomonshu), and the lay followers and ordained ministers worked together to keep and spread

this teaching. We eventually received this treasure today. When we carefully look at the Najjin altar, we are able, visually, to see the lineage of this teaching: Amida Buddha, Seven Masters, Prince Shotoku, Shinran Shonin, successive Gomonsu. This is how the Jodo Shinshu Najjin altar is set. If Shakyamuni Buddha is enshrined in the middle, I, as a Bombu (imperfect person), would be wondering which teachings and paths among 84,000 to follow. Because Amida Buddha is always there in the center of the shrine, I can clearly see how the teachings were passed down and which path I am walking without getting lost.

Although Sakyamuni Buddha's statue nor his portrait are displayed in the Jodo Shinshu Najjin altar, we always include The Three Pure Land Sutras delivered by Shakyamuni Buddha within the altar. We offer one Buppan rice to Shinran Shonin and one to Rennyo Shonin, but two Buppan rice are offered to Amida Buddha. Do you know why? One teacher taught me that one is for Amida Buddha, and the other is for Sakyamuni Buddha. By including The Three Pure Land Sutras and offering two Buppan rice, we Jodo Shinshu followers express our respect and appreciation to Sakyamuni Buddha. When you go to a Jodo Shinshu temple next time, please pay attention to how the Najjin altar is set.
Gassho,

March Chair's Letter

By Tyler Moriguchi

Happy March. It is Sunday afternoon as I sit down to write this article. This morning I awoke to news that the power around temple was out. After a quick flurry of phone calls and text messages, Sunday service was cancelled and our Annual Membership meeting postponed. Of course, power returned around 9:15 AM, but by that time the word had already went out and I enjoyed an unexpected lazy Sunday morning at home.

While a minor inconvenience, the incident was a reminder of the unpredictable nature of life; try as we might to plan and prepare, things happen that are beyond our control. Whether a small setback or a devastating event such as an accident or sudden illness, the only thing that we can control is the way we react. Instead of being frustrated that we needed to reschedule the Annual Membership Meeting, I saw the power outage as an opportunity to reach out to some Dharma friends to check in and let them know that temple was cancelled.

Of course, not every unplanned event is as innocuous as this morning's power outage; the temple is still dealing with the damage from the arson attack 15 months ago. But rather than being sad, angry, or frustrated, I am appreciative of all the people from the Sangha and the community who I have had a chance to work with during the temple restoration. I am grateful for everyone who has given so generously of their time, energy, and financial support to keep the temple running over the past year and continue work to rebuild the temple. Thank you.

I hope you will be able to join us for our Spring Ohigan service on March 16th.

In Gratitude,

Tyler Moriguchi

chairperson@seattlebetsuin.org

TEMPLE RESTORATION UPDATE

Fencing around the small and large parsonage is complete.

Refinishing of Hondo woodwork (sanding and sealing) is continuing.

Electrical upgrades, including updating the main electrical panel is ongoing.

**Gassho, Tyler Moriguchi
Chairperson**

Musical Notes

Submitted by Kemi Nakabayashi

Please look out for upcoming publicity for April 19 and April 20 when **Rev. Harry Bridge** from Buddhist Church of Oakland returns



Reverend Harry Bridge

as guest speaker and musician for a Saturday dinner and program with Miharu Okamura and Miko Shudo and for the Sunday Earth Day Music Service. The Sunday service and after service program will be one best experienced in-person!

Thanks to the BCA Bay District

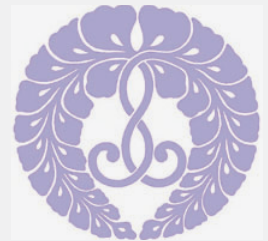
for hosting the virtual BCA National Council Meeting 2025, inviting the BCA Music Committee to participate in the closing program, two new gatha videos “Mindful Moments” and “Next Chapter” were presented. If you missed these gatha video premieres, you can view them on the BCA Music YouTube channel.

To watch the gatha video
[CLICK HERE](#)



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Dharma Exchange Notes

Submitted by Irene Goto

Dharma Exchange takes place after Sunday Service from 11:00AM to 11:30AM, currently meeting in the gym. After enjoying coffee and tea together, we hear, and discuss various aspects of the Dharma, usually led by a minister. All are invited to participate.



February 2, 2025 Sunday Service was led by Scout Troop 252. Following, at Dharma Exchange, recipients of the

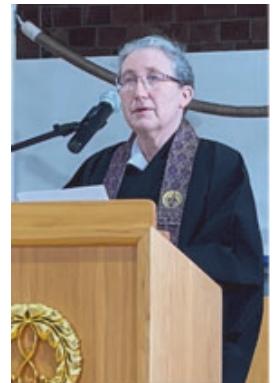


Scouts' Sangha Award and the Dharma Award read their essays, which were based on a topic suggested by Rev. Kusunoki – a Buddhist story of the Swan and the

Arrow. Five recipients read thoughtful, inspiring essays based on the prompt, as well as on other Buddhist stories.

February 9, 2025 Rev. Anne Spencer, Assistant Minister at Idaho-Oregon Buddhist Temple, gave the Sunday Service

dharma talk honoring the memory of Lady Takeko Kujo and Lady Yoshiko Ohtani. Following, at Dharma Exchange, she asked attendees to discuss in small groups how Seattle Betsuin sangha is doing in the way of progress, joyfulness, pride, and change. She asked if we are flying on the two wings of Wisdom and Compassion. Lively discussions were heard surrounding a variety of subjects, e.g. bringing back mochi making, bazaar, the importance of bon odori, all the while getting to know one another.



Rev. Anne Spencer

February 16, 2025 Dharma Exchange and all temple activities planned for the day were canceled due to a power outage, including the annual General Meeting which was postponed to February 23, 2025.

Dharma School News

Submitted by Joan Nakano

February brought a few surprises, and we endeavor to adapt to changes. Unfortunately, the Nirvana Day/Pet Memorial Service and Annual General Membership Meeting was postponed due to a power outage. We are grateful that the high school class had prepared activities for the younger students, so the teachers and parents would be able to join the Annual General Membership Meeting. A group of DS families are planning on going to Tacoma Buddhist Temple on March 3rd, after service to support their Sukiyaki lunch. It's fun to have sister temples so close to us and have more opportunities to join together. Below are pictures at Tacoma's DS Mochitsuki on January 26, where we were invited to attend. DS is looking forward to the NY party and will be selling Brown Bear Car Wash tickets. Proceeds for that day will be sent to the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) Wildfire Relief Fund to help support the Southern District temples and sangha members. Our heartfelt well wishes go out to all those affected by these devastating losses. Gassho, Claire and Yvette



Mochitsuki at Tacoma Buddhist Temple 2025

STYROFOAM RECYCLE DAY

APRIL 13, 2025

Clean, dry styrofoam food and meat containers separated by color will be collected on Sunday April 13 at 11:30. Meet in the back parking lot.

Soft styro sheets, bubble wrap, formed styro (not foam), packing peanuts and more will be collected.

If you have a Bellevue address please take your large formed styro to the facility in the Spring District. In the event that there is space, it will be accepted at the temple collection.

Please see www.styrorecycle.com for more details

SBBWA

Submitted by Lauren Asaba

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Women's Association SBBWA's Mission is to cultivate religious awareness as Jodo Shinshu Buddhist women and promote fellow-ship among its members; to serve and support the Seattle Betsuin, and contribute services to the welfare of the community.

Sunday February 9th was a full day for our members. Our religious committee planned a special service for the Sangha in memory of Lady Takeko Kujo and Lady Yoshiko Ohtani with Rev Anne Spencer from the Idaho Oregon Buddhist Temple as our guest speaker. Ann O and Janice D also planned an enjoyable evening out with Rev Anne.



Dinner out with Reverend Anne: Susie Y, Rev. Anne, Rev. Kusunoki, Tyler, Marissa, Leanne, Ann O, Tina



Julie and Friends



Kiyoko and Kayoko

Upcoming Activities:
Pickleball is back! Please join in the fun Saturday March 8th and March 22nd
10 aM-12 PM in the gym
Lei Making Workshop in the Scout Room March 2nd @ 11:30

Tacoma Buddhist Temple's

SUKIYAKI

Fundraiser


Sunday, March 2nd

Order Deadline: February 22, 10:00pm

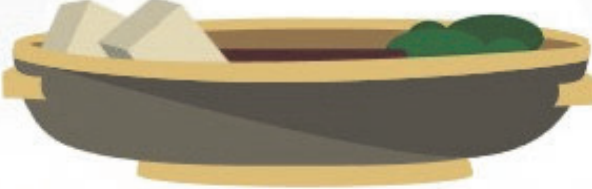
Dine-In: 11:00am-1:00pm
Drive-Thru: 2:00pm-4pm

All orders are pre-order. You choose to dine-in or drive-thru to enjoy our special sukiyaki and chicken teriyaki meal.

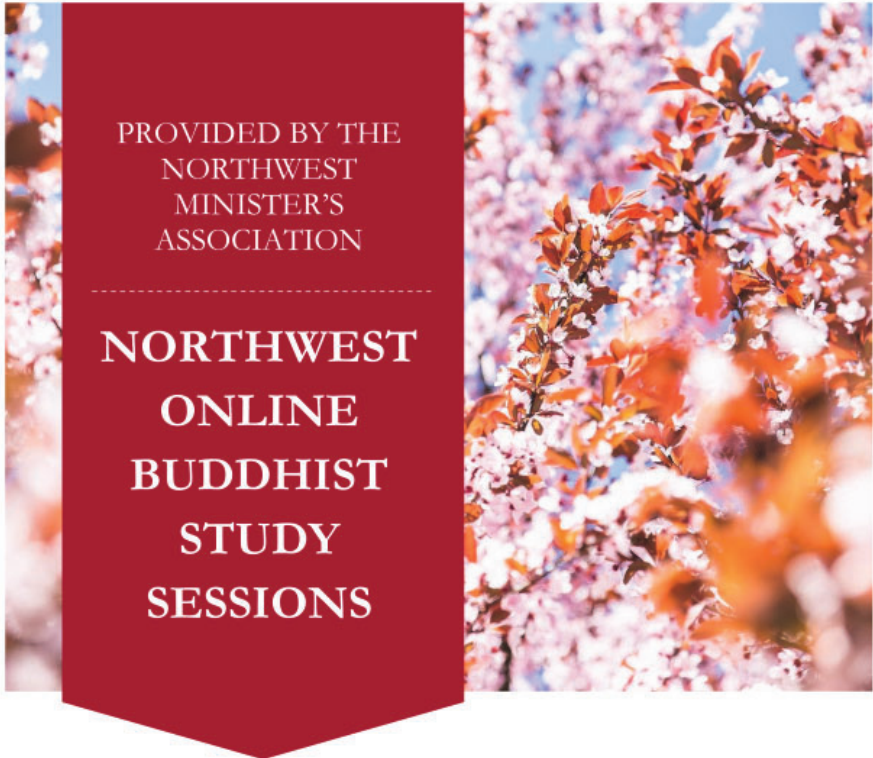
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 Topic: Learning Japanese Buddhist Technical Terms
 Textbook: Cocktail
 When: Second Tuesday of the Month
 Time: 6:30 – 7:30 PM PST/PDT
 Contact: rev.kusunoki@seattlebetsuin.org

Jodo Shinshu 101 by Tacoma Buddhist Temple
 Topic: Various
 When: Second Wednesday of the Month
 Time: 6:00 – 7:00 PM PST/PDT
 Contact: revtadaok@gmail.com

日本語話し合い法座 By Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple
 Topic: 証巻を読んでみよう！
 Textbook: 教行信証現代語版
 When: Every Tuesday
 Time: 9:30 – 10:30 AM PST/PDT
 Contact: seattlebetsuin.nihongo@gmail.com

All participating temples are a part of the Buddhist Churches of America.

All classes are free, but donations are appreciated to the respective temple.

All study sessions use Zoom.

This flyer is up to date as of February 2025.



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We would like to “thank” the following for contributing their 2025 sustaining membership dues - the basic dues towards Temple maintenance/operations (i.e. security-a high priority, staffing, up-to-date tech equipment/maintenance) plus Live Streaming of Sunday services, Special Services, seminars with guest speakers, and even our book club).



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On behalf of the Seattle Betsuin, we’d like to ‘WELCOME’ Chase Habu-Chinn as a new member of our Sangha.

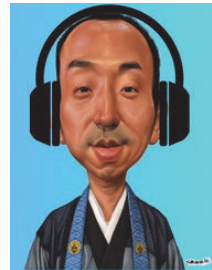
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English Dharma Dialogue with
Reverence Kusunoki
March 11, 2025 6:30 pm via
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Join Rev. Kusunoki where he will
continue to cover topics from “Cocktails”
by Rev. Masao Kodani

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Resident Minister of the
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Interested in helping out during services?

**Whether it's setting up, greeting, or tackling cleanup,
there's something for everyone to enjoy.**

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MARCH SHOTSUKI HOYO

The March Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the Month of March

Abe, Tatsu	Iwasaki, Tokusaburo	Murakami, Sachi	Sumida, Yoshiko
Akada, Tsugi	Izumi, Hisako	Murao, Ume	Suzaka, Kiyoko
Aoyama, Sue	Jeppesen, Kayo	Nagai, Mariko	Suzuki, Warren
Aoyama, Tomisaburo	Kajimura, Saburo	Nagano, Mary	Takano, Tsukiyo
Araki, Masa	Kakiuchi, George	Nakagawa, Henry	Takemoto, Hisako
Brolley, Eddie	Kamada, Toshiro	Nakagawa, Taira	Takenaga, Tomizo
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Chen, Sou-Chia	Kanda, Ayako	Nakama, Tomiko	Tanaka, Nobuichi
Date, Masuyo	Kaneyasu, Toshiko	Nakamura, Barry	Taniguchi, Sam
Deguchi, Hatsu	Kawahara, Yoshinori	Nakamura, Jiro	Taniguchi, Yumi
Desaki, Yasuko	Kawamoto, Chiyoko	Nishikawa, Hisakazu	Tazuma, Bunshiro
Edamura, Osa	Kawasaki, Mamoru	Nishimura, Fumi	Teramoto, Aya
Enomoto, Edward	Kinoshita, Kinyo	Nomura, Masu	Teraoka, Miyako
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Fujitomi, Yoshiye	Kobayashi, Mitoki	Oishi, Matsuo	Tsuchikawa, Wilma
Funai, John	Koda, Nobuyuki	Oiye, Shigenori	Tsuchikawa, Wilma
Funai, Kimi	Kogane, Etsu	Oiye, Shizuko	Tsue, Yone
Grantham, Miles	Kubota, Thomas	Okada, Shigeko	Tsuye, Kikuyo
Habu, Fumiyo	Kunimoto, Shoji	Okamura, Hatsui	Umemoto, Toshio
Hamatani, Tomio	Kuranishi, Motoji	Okumura, Osamu	Uyeminami, Kikutoshi
Hanada, Hatsuji	Kusakabe, Kikuko	Okano, Tomiko	Uyenishi, Hiyoshi
Hara, Fumi	Kusakabe, Kishiko	Ondo, Tanomu	Watanabe, Hiro
Harada, Marji	Lee, Weng	Ozeki, Sachiko	Williams, Peggy
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Ichida, Kingo	Miyamoto, Mieko	Shibata, Ayako	Yokota, William
Ikeda, Yoshiaki	Mizuki, Nikki	Shibuya, Masako	Yonekura, Margaret
Imabori, George	Mizumori, Lillian	Shimizu, Seihachiro	Yorioka, Mitsuko
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APRIL SHOTSUKI HOYO

The April Shotsuki Hoyo Memorial Service will honor the memory of those listed below who passed away in the Month of April

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Ekinaka, Fumiko	Kato, Mitsu	Mizuhata, Michiko	Shintaku, Tomeko
Emata, Hideji	Kawada, Noboru	Mizuhata, Sueko	Sudo, Eiko
Fujii, Ernest	Kawahara, Makie	Mizuta, George	Sudo, Mamoru
Fujii, Kozaburo	Kawanishi, Teikichi	Mizuta, Kimi	Suetsugu, Etsuko
Fujii, Minoru	Kawasaki, Victor	Mochizuki, Yoneko	Suzuki, Tohachi
Fujii, Yoshito	Kido, Edward	Morisaki, Harry	Takashima, Sadamu
Fujioka, Chikayo	Kihara, Yayeko	Moritani, Shigeru	Takemoto, Kazuo
Fukuhara, Tadashi	Kimura, Haruyo	Nagai, Tamotsu	Takemoto, Misako
Glass, Nadine	Kimura, Kikuno	Nagamatsu, Kimiko	Takenaga, Shige
Gojio, Shōtarō	Kishida, Yaso	Nagata, Inori	Takeshita, Kazuko
Groves, Fumiko	Kitashima, Richard	Nakamura, Alan	Tamura, Tokio
Hagimori, Kaoru	Kogita, Marion	Nakanishi, Shizuichi	Tanaka, Masaye
Hagimoto, Shuichi	Kondo, Keiji	Nakano (Infant)	Tanemura, Masao
Hanada, Iwao	Kondo, Teruko	Nakano, Haruko	Toyaji, Susan
Hanada, Seiji	Kondo, Yo	Nakano, Krista	Tsubokawa, Terumi
Hara, Ricky	Konishi, Tom	Nakashima, Hidehiro	Tsukamaki, Asako
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2 10 AM Virtual BCA Eitaikyo Service Online Eitaikyo Service Click here Or come to the Gym and watch 11 AM Combined Dharma Exchange/Japanese Language Service Dharma School Classes Pre-K-5: Scout Room 11:30 AM Cub Scout Gyoza Soup Fundraiser: Gym	3 Rimban's Day Off	4 9:30 AM Japanese Dharma on Zoom	5	6 1:30 PM Nikkei Manor	7	8
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