

18th Annual Autumn Family Music Service

Seattle Betsuin Buddhist Temple
November 22, 2026
10:00 AM

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Officiant: Rimban Katsuya Kusunoki
Minister's Assistants: Rev. Irene Goto, Leonora Clarke,
Erin Hoffman-John, Alex Sakamoto
Pianist: Kemi Nakabayashi
Chairpersons: Toshi Shahbaghlian and Kathy Hasegawa

OPENING REMARKS — Chairperson

OPENING TAIKO — Matsuri Taiko

Vandana and Ti-Sarana — Rimban Kusunoki and Sangha
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MUSIC SERVICE SUTRA - *Ju Sei Ge* — Rimban Kusunoki and Sangha
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GATHA — Seattle Betsuin musicians and Sangha
The Dharma is Here by Gordon Ah Tye

READING *Jodo Shinshu Creed* — Chairperson and Sangha

DHARMA MESSAGE — Rev. Katsuya Kusunoki

GATHA — Seattle Betsuin Ukulele Band and Sangha
Ondokusan II/Gratefulness II by Osamu Shimizu
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WORDS OF APPRECIATION — Kemi Nakabayashi

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING REMARKS — Chairperson

The Dharma is Here

by the Seattle Betsuin High School Dharma School class

Behind tall wooden doors,
lives a Sangha full of laughter and love.
Supportive no matter who you may be,
compassion is well and alive.

Diverse in every single way
we come together each and ev'ry day.
To chant the teachings we hold true,
the Dharma is here for me and you.

Resilient our temple thrives,
a respectful community inside.
Hands together, hear the Nembutsu
Amida's teachings call for me and you.

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We come together each and ev'ry day
To chant the teachings we hold true,
the Dharma is here for me and you.

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lives a Sangha full of laughter and love.
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Jodo Shinshu Creed

Jodo Shinshū no seikatsu shinjo

I put my trust in the Vow of Amida Buddha.
Reciting *Namo Amida Butsu*, let us live life to the utmost with strength and joy.

I look to the Light of Amida Buddha.
Constantly reflecting upon myself, let us strive to live a life of gratitude.

I shall follow the Teaching of Amida Buddha.
Awakening to the right path, let us share the true Dharma with others.

I rejoice in the Compassion of Amida Buddha.
Mutually respecting and aiding each other, let us endeavor to work for the good of all.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 13 - Bodhi Day Service 10 a.m.

Thursday, December 31 – Joya-E New Year's Eve Service at 12 p.m.

Friday, January 1 – Gantan-E New Year's Day Service at 10 a.m.