



Thanksgiving & Great Jukai 2017

- Thursday, November 16**
7:00 pm
Zazen and **Famine Relief Ceremony**: A fast day for Zen Center residents, and others are welcome to join in. Monetary offerings collected during the ceremony are donated to Oxfam.
- Sunday, November 19**
Zazen at 8:30 followed by *Ceremony of Gratitude* in the zendo at 9:30. The Link altar will include baskets for food, clothing, or monetary offerings to be donated to St. Joseph's House of Hospitality. We'll have special refreshments after the ceremony.
- Thursday, November 23**
4:00 pm
Potluck vegetarian Thanksgiving dinner in the Zen Center dining room.
- Friday, November 24**
7:00 pm until late
No formal morning sitting. Workday begins at 8:00 am.
Can you volunteer to help set up for Temple Night?
Temple Night: The Buddha Hall is open for informal sitting, chanting, prostrations, and other devotions. Children are invited to participate until 7:45. Offerings and photographs of deceased relatives and friends may be put on the Memorial Altar in the Buddha Hall.
- Saturday, November 25**
8:30 to 10:30 am
Zazen and teisho (overview of the Precepts), followed by a light brunch.
10:50 am
Rakusu Ceremony in the dokusan room (for those receiving a rakusu).
11:20 am
Dokusan (with Roshi) for out-of-town members.
3:00 pm
Zendo open for informal sitting.
5:00 pm
Travel through the **Six Realms** (indoors this year!) and head out to the Buddha Hall for **Great Jukai ceremony** (Receiving the Precepts), including monetary donations to Roshi. Refreshments afterwards.
- Sunday, November 26**
Center closed.
- Monday, November 27**
Center re-opens in the evening with formal sitting & dokusan.