

Lotus Heart Zen

Monthly Memorial Service



LIGHTING OF CANDLES & INCENSE

OPENING BELL

HOMAGE TO THE BUDDHA *[ALL TOGETHER]*

NAMO TASSA BHAGAVATO ARAHATO SAMMA SAMBUDDHASSA *[3x]*

THE THREE REFUGES OF THE TEN DIRECTIONS *[ALL TOGETHER]:*

I NOW RECEIVE THE BUDDHA—WHO IS PRESENT IN ALL TEN DIRECTIONS.

[BOWL]

I NOW RECEIVE THE DHARMA—WHICH IS PRESENT IN ALL TEN DIRECTIONS.

[BOWL]

I NOW RECEIVE THE SANGHA—WHICH IS PRESENT IN ALL TEN DIRECTIONS.

[BOWL]

[OFFICIATE 1]

This ceremony is to offer peace of mind and courage to the sick and to those who have been victims of hardship as well as to their relatives and friends.

[OFFICIATE 2]

This ceremony is for the grieving and for those who have passed on as well as for their relatives and friends.

[OFFICIATE 1]

It is time to bring our loved ones to mind: those to whom we wish to send the healing energy of love and compassion. Let us sit and enjoy our breathing for a few moments, allowing our beloved ones to be present with us now.

FIVE MINUTE MEDITATION

Since before time, I have been free. Birth and death are only doors through which we pass, sacred thresholds on our journey. Birth and death are a game of hide-and-seek.

So smile with me, hold my hand, let us say good-bye, say good-bye, to meet again soon. We meet today. We will meet again tomorrow. We will meet at the source of every moment. We meet each other in all forms of life.

[BOWL, BOWL]

SHARING THE MERIT *[ALL TOGETHER]*

May all the merit accumulated through this ceremony be conveyed to all beings.
May we in this life find awakening, and together all become Buddha.

[BOWL]

DHARMA TALK

[BOWL] **BODHISATTVA VOWS** *[ALL TOGETHER]*

Sentient beings are numberless,
we vow to save them all.

Delusions are endless;
we vow to cut through them all.

The teachings are infinite,
we vow to learn the all.

The Buddha way is inconceivable,
we vow to realize it.

EXTINGUISH THE CANDLES

OPENING TALK

[OFFICIATE 1]

Please listen! The peace and joy of the entire world, including the worlds of the living and dead, depend on our own peace and joy in this moment. With all our heart and one-pointed mind let us offer our merit and blessings to those in need.

Today the community has gathered to recite scripture, chant, practice mindfulness of the Buddha, give spiritual support and offer peace to our loved ones as well as their relatives and friends who are in need of spiritual support.

Please listen carefully:

[OFFICIATE 2]

Once one person is able to give rise to a deep sense of peace and happiness, the whole world benefits. We have gathered today to light the lamp of peace and happiness in our hearts by chanting, practicing sitting meditation, reciting sacred verses and being mindful of the Buddha in order to be in communion with the essence of great love, great compassion, joy, equanimity and fearlessness. These are the motivating forces that can transform situations from fear and danger and restore peace and happiness where they have been lost. The peace and joy of the world depend on your peace and joy at this moment. With all our concentration and one-point mind, let us chant to Kwan Seum, Bodhisattva of Great Compassion:

KWAN SEUM BOSAL CHANT

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[ALL TOGETHER]

NA-MU BUL-TA BU-JUNG GWANG-NIM BOP-HE
NA-MU DAL-MA BU-JUNG GWANG-NIM BOP-HE

NA-MU SUNG-GA BU-JUNG GWANG-NIM BOP-HE

NA-MU BO-MUN SHI-HYON WOL-LYOK HONG-SHIM DAE-JA DAE-BI

KWAN-SE-UM BO-SAL

KWAN-SE-UM BO-SAL . . . (REPEAT)

KWAN-SE-UM BO-SAL

KWAN-SE-UM BO-SAL MYOR-OP-CHANG JIN-ON

OM MA-RO-RU-GYE SA-BA-HA

OM MA-RO-RU-GYE SA-BA-HA

OM MA-RO-RU-GYE SA-BA-HA

WON SONG-CHWI JIN-ON

OM A-MOT-KA SAL-BA-DA-RA SA-DA-YA SHI-BYE-HUM

OM A-MOT-KA SAL-BA-DA-RA SA-DA-YA SHI-BYE-HUM

OM A-MOT-KA SAL-BA-DA-RA SA-DA-YA SHI-BYE-HUM

BUL-SOL SO-JAE GIL-SANG DA-RA-NI

NA-MU SA-MAN-DA MOT-TA-NAM A-BA-RA-JI

HA-DA-SA SA-NA-NAM DA-NYA-TA

OM KA-KA KA-HYE KA-HYE HUM-HUM A-BA-RA

A-BA-RA BA-RA-A-BA-RA BA-RA-A-BA-RA

JI-TTA JI-TTA JI-RI JI-RI PPA-DA PPA-DA

SON-JI-GA SHI-RI-E SA-BA-HA

NA-MU SA-MAN-DA MOT-TA-NAM A-BA-RA-JI

HA-DA-SA SA-NA-NAM DA-NYA-TA

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JI-TTA JI-TTA JI-RI JI-RI PPA-DA PPA-DA

SON-JI-GA SHI-RI-E SA-BA-HA

NA-MU SA-MAN-DA MOT-TA-NAM A-BA-RA-JI

HA-DA-SA SA-NA-NAM DA-NYA-TA

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JI-TTA JI-TTA JI-RI JI-RI PPA-DA PPA-DA

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JI-TTA JI-TTA JI-RI JI-RI PPA-DA PPA-DA

SON-JI-GA SHI-RI-E SA-BA-HA

BO-GWOL JIN-ON

OM HO-RO HO-RO SA-YA MOT-KYE SA-BA-HA

OM HO-RO HO-RO SA-YA MOT-KYE SA-BA-HA

OM HO-RO HO-RO SA-YA MOT-KYE SA-BA-HA

BO HO-HYANG JIN-ON

OM SAM-MA-RA SAM-MA-RA MI-MA-RA

JA-RA-MA JA-GO-RA BA-RA-HUM

OM SAM-MA-RA SAM-MA-RA MI-MA-RA

JA-RA-MA JA-GO-RA BA-RA-HUM

OM SAM-MA-RA SAM-MA-RA MI-MA-RA J

A-RA-MA JA-GO-RA BA-RA-HUM

CHAL-CHIN SHIM-NYOM GA-SU-JI

DAE-HE-JUNG-SU KA-UM JIN

HO-GONG GA-RYANG PUNG GA GYE

MU-NUNG JIN-SOL

BUL GONG-DOK

[ALL TOGETHER]

This body is not me. I am not limited by this body. I am life without boundaries. I have never been born, and I have never died.

Look at the ocean and the sky filled with stars, manifestations from my wondrous True Mind.

[OFFICIATE 2]

If you suffer in the painful realms, listen so that the fire of karma may be extinguished and that you may be free from suffering. With all our concentration and one-point mind, let us chant to JiJang, Bodhisattva of Great Aspiration:

JIJANG BOSAL CHANT *[ALL TOGETHER]*

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NA-MU NAM-BANG HWA-JU JI-JANG BO-SAL
NA-MU YU-MYONG GYO-JU JI-JANG BO-SAL
NA-MU DAE-WON BON-JON JI-JANG BO-SAL

NA-MU NAM-BANG HWA-JU YU-MYONG GYO-JU
DAE-WON BON-JON

JI-JANG BO-SAL
JI-JANG BO-SAL . . . (REPEAT)

JI-JANG BO-SAL
MYOR OP-CHANG DA-RA-NI
OM BA-RA MA-NI DA-NI SA-BA-HA
OM BA-RA MA-NI DA-NI SA-BA-HA
OM BA-RA MA-NI DA-NI SA-BA-HA

WON SONG-CHWI JIN-ON
OM A-MOT-KA SAL-BA-DA-RA SA-DA-YA SHI-BYE-HUM
OM A-MOT-KA SAL-BA-DA-RA SA-DA-YA SHI-BYE-HUM
OM A-MOT-KA SAL-BA-DA-RA SA-DA-YA SHI-BYE-HUM

BUL-SOL SO-JAE GIL-SANG DA-RA-NI
NA-MU SA-MAN-DA MOT-TA-NAM A-BA-RA-JI
HA-DA-SA SA-NA-NAM DA-NYA-TA
OM KA-KA KA-HYE KA-HYE HUM-HUM A-BA-RA
A-BA-RA BA-RA-A-BA-RA BA-RA-A-BA-RA
JI-TTA JI-TTA JI-RI JI-RI PPA-DA PPA-DA
SON-JI-GA SHI-RI-E SA-BA-HA

NA-MU SA-MAN-DA MOT-TA-NAM A-BA-RA-JI

OM HO-RO HO-RO SA-YA MOT-KYE SA-BA-HA
OM HO-RO HO-RO SA-YA MOT-KYE SA-BA-HA
OM HO-RO HO-RO SA-YA MOT-KYE SA-BA-HA

BO HO-HYANG JIN-ON
OM SAM-MA-RA SAM-MA-RA MI-MA-RA
JA-RA-MA JA-GO-RA BA-RA-HUM
OM SAM-MA-RA SAM-MA-RA MI-MA-RA
JA-RA-MA JA-GO-RA BA-RA-HUM
OM SAM-MA-RA SAM-MA-RA MI-MA-RA J
A-RA-MA JA-GO-RA BA-RA-HUM

CHAL-CHIN SHIM-NYOM GA-SU-JI
DAE-HE-JUNG-SU KA-UM JIN
HO-GONG GA-RYANG PUNG GA GYE
MU-NUNG JIN-SOL
BUL GONG-DOK

PRAISING THE BODHISATTVA OF COMPASSION *[ALL TOGETHER]*

The nectar of compassion is seen on the willow branch held by the Bodhisattva. A single drop of this nectar is enough to bring life to the Ten Directions. May all afflictions of this world disappear totally and may this place of practice be completely purified by the Bodhisattva's nectar of compassion.

[OFFICIATE 1]

Homage to the Bodhisattva Who Refreshes the Earth
[BOWL]

[ALL TOGETHER]

From the depths of understanding, the flower of great eloquence blooms: the Bodhisattva stands majestically upon the waves of birth and death, free from all afflictions.

Her great compassion eliminates all sickness, even those once thought of as incurable. Her wondrous light sweeps away all obstacles and dangers. Her willow branch, once waved, reveals countless Buddha-lands. Her lotus flower blossoms

a multitude of practice centers. We bow to her. We see her true presence in the here and now. We offer her the incense of our hearts.

May the Bodhisattva of Deep Listening embrace us all with Great Compassion.
Homage to Avalokiteshvara Bodhisattva

[BOWL, BOWL]

[OFFICIATE 1]

With deep sincerity we offer an invitation to all beings: Please come and listen! In this world of impermanence, we offer this ceremony to those who have passed on. Further we make dharma offerings to all spirits—those who have found rest and those who are still wandering.

[OFFICIATE 2]

True nature is before thinking. Dharma body has no form. Conditions and relationships appear and disappear like reflections in a mirror. The effects of karma rise and fall like a water bucket rising and falling in a well. We cannot understand this miraculously changing mind. The four elements disperse as in a dream. The six dusts, six roots and consciousnesses are originally Śūnyatā. To understand that, the Buddha and the eminent teachers return to the place of light.

[OFFICIATE 1]

The sun is setting over the western mountains, the moon is rising in the east.

[BOWL, BOWL, BOWL]

HOMAGE TO THE BUDDHAS & BODHISATTVAS

[OFFICIATE 2]

The river of attachment carries living beings away to the sea of suffering, where waves of afflictions rise by the thousands to submerge us. In order to transcend the wheel of samsara, with one-pointed concentration we invoke the names of the Buddhas:

[ALL TOGETHER]

Namo Shakyamuni Buddha [2x]

Homage to Shakyamuni Buddha, the Fully Awakened One [1x]

[BELL]

Namo Amitabha Buddha [2x]

Homage to Amitabha, Buddha of Infinite Light and Love [1x]

[BELL]

Namo Maitreya Buddha [2x]

Homage to Maitreya Buddha, The Buddha Yet to Be [1x]

[BELL]

[OFFICIATE 1]

with one-pointed concentration we invoke the names of the Bodhisattvas:

[ALL TOGETHER]

Namo Manjushri Bodhisattva [2x]

Homage to Manjushri, Bodhisattva of Great Understanding [1x]

[BELL]

Namo Samantabhadra Bodhisattva [2x]

Homage to Samantabhadra, Bodhisattva of Great Action [1x]

[BELL]

Namo Avalokiteshvara Bodhisattva [2x]

Homage to Avalokiteshvara, Bodhisattva of Great Compassion [1x]

[BELL]

Namo Kshitigarbha Bodhisattva [2x]

Homage to Kshitigarbha, Bodhisattva of Great Aspiration [1x]

[BELL, BELL]