

REEDLEY BUDDHIST CHURCH

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<http://reedleybc.org>



OCTOBER, 2026



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| 2 - 4 | FBWA Conference in San Diego | |
| 10 | Social Hall Reserved - Ramos/
Nishida Families | 9:00 AM |
| 11 | Eshinni/Kakushinni & BWA
Members Memorial Service &
Family Dharma Service | 10:00 AM |
| 15 | Bazaar Committee Meeting | 6:00 PM |
| 15 | RBC Board Meeting | 7:00 PM |
| 24 | Conference Room Reserved -
Inn Family | 9:00 AM |
| 24 | Inn Family Memorial Service | 11:00 AM |
| 24 | Dharma School Service &
Halloween Party | 4:00 PM |
| 25 | October Shotsuki Memorial
Service | 10:00 AM |
| 26 | Church Yard Clean-up | 8:00 AM |
| 30 | Bazaar Prep | (see schedule) |
| 31 | Bazaar Prep | (see schedule) |
| 31 | Halloween | |
| November 1 | | |
| | Reedley BC Food Bazaar | 3:00 - 6:00 PM |

REEDLEY 72ND ANNUAL FOOD BAZAAR

The 72nd Annual Reedley Buddhist Church Food Bazaar will be held on Sunday, November 1, 2026! See page 5 for details & order form.

RBC Toban Schedule

RBC Toban: Kurumaji, Nishida,
Kajihara, Okamura, & Tavlán

BWA Toban: Group 2 - Kathy Nishinaka



Upcoming Services & Activities

Eshinni/Kakushinni & BWA Members Memorial Service & Family Dharma Service

Sunday, October 11, 2026

10:00 AM

Lunch will be served following the service.

Dharma School Service & Halloween Party

Saturday, October 24, 2026

4:00 PM

Dinner will be served.

October Shotsuki Memorial Service & Family Dharma Service

Sunday, October 25, 2026

10:00 AM

Refreshments will be served following the service.

72nd Annual Reedley Buddhist Church Food Bazaar

Sunday, November 1, 2026

3:00 - 6:00 PM

Church Social Hall

See the Bazaar work
schedule on pages 12 & 13.



Message from Rev. Majima

Do I Already Know?



In The Sutra of the Buddha of Immeasurable Life, there is an important story about Bodhisattva Dharmakara, who would later become Amida Buddha.

Countless aeons ago, there was a king of extraordinary ability and wisdom. One day, he heard the teachings of Buddha Lokeśvararāja and was deeply moved. He awakened the aspiration to seek the highest enlightenment. He gave up his kingdom and his throne, became a monk, and took the name Dharmakara.

Dharmakara went before Buddha Lokeśvararāja, bowed respectfully, praised the Buddha, and expressed his aspiration. Then he asked how he should walk the path to Buddhahood.

But Buddha Lokeśvararāja did not give him an answer.

“You yourself must know.”

What a strange answer.

Dharmakara had been a king. He had knowledge and experience, authority and status. He had led others and made important decisions. All of these had shaped the person he had become. Yet none of them could give him the answer he was seeking.

The path before him was the path to Buddhahood—a path he had never walked before. His experience as a king could not take him there. To see what lay before him, perhaps he first had to step away from everything through which he had understood himself and the world.

When I was studying this sutra, my teacher often warned us not to dismiss stories like this too quickly. To modern ears, they may sound like myths or ancient tales. But he would say:

“Do not let what you already know shape the way you read it. Open your eyes, open your mind, and look carefully. The heart of Buddhism can be found in stories like this.”

He also taught me that we may read the same story again and again and yet see something different each time.

The story has not changed. We have changed.

Our experiences change. Our circumstances change. Our responsibilities change. And our way of seeing things changes. A passage we once read without giving it much thought may suddenly speak to us in an entirely different way.

That is why we should not be too quick to say, “I already know this story.” We may know the words, but that does not mean we have seen everything within them.

Perhaps the same is true of our lives. We value what we have acquired through the years—our education, knowledge, experience, accomplishments, positions, and titles. We take pride in what we have learned and what we have achieved. These things are important. They help us work, make decisions, support others, and fulfill our responsibilities.

But without realizing it, they can also become the lens through which we see everything. We see a situation through our past experience. We see another person through our own values. We decide what something means according to what we already know. Before we know it, we may no longer be seeing what is actually before us. We may be seeing it through the lens of “me.” Perhaps this is the deeper question in

Dharmakara’s story:

Can I see what is before me without first measuring it against what I already know? Dharmakara had all the experience of a king, but it could not show him the path to Buddhahood. His position, title, and authority could not help him. Even his remarkable intelligence could not give him the answer.

Perhaps we are not so different.

“I know that.”

“I have done this before.”

“This is the way we have always done it.”

“I know what I am doing.”

The more experience we gain, the easier it becomes to say these things. Yet sometimes the very knowledge and experience that have served us so well can prevent us from seeing what is actually before us.

“You yourself must know.”

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Message from Rev. Majima



私はもう知っている？

『仏説無量寿經(ぶっせつむりょうじゅきょう)』の中(なか)に、とても大切(たいせつ)な物語(ものがたり)があります。それは、のちに阿弥陀如来(あみだによらい)となられた法蔵菩薩(ほうぞうぼさつ)のお話(はなし)です。

昔(むかし)、たいへん賢(かしこ)く、優(すぐ)れた一人(ひとり)の王(おう)さまがいました。お経(きょう)には「人並(ひとな)み以上(いじょう)の才(さい)能(のう)と知恵(ちえ)を持(も)った」王(おう)さまと記(し)られています。ある日(ひ)、その王(おう)さまは世自在王仏(せじざいおうぶつ)の説法(せっぽう)を聞(き)き、心(こころ)から「自分(じぶん)もこの上(うえ)ない悟(さと)りの道(みち)を求(もと)めたい」と願(ねが)い、国(くに)にも王位(おうい)も捨(す)てて出家(しゅっけ)し、「法蔵(ほうぞう)」と名乗(な)りました。法蔵菩薩(ほうぞうぼさつ)は、さっそく世自在王仏(せじざいおうぶつ)のもとを訪(たず)ねました。合掌(がっしょう)して礼拝(れいはい)し、仏(ほとけ)さまを讃(たた)え、自分(じぶん)の決意(けつい)を述(の)べます。そして、仏(ほとけ)となる道(みち)をどのように歩(あゆ)んだらよいのか、教(おし)えを請(こ)いました。

ところが、世自在王仏(せじざいおうぶつ)は、すぐに答(こた)えを教(おし)えてはくれませんでした。

「汝(なんじ)、自(みずか)ら当(た)に知(し)るべし。」(それは、あなた自身(じしん)が知(し)るべきことです。)ずいぶん冷(つめ)たい答(こた)えのようにも聞(き)こえます。法蔵菩薩(ほうぞうぼさつ)は、もともと優(すぐ)れた王(おう)さまでした。多(おお)くの事(こと)を知(し)り、さまざまの経験(けいけん)も積(つ)んでいたことでしょう。しかし、どれほど優(すぐ)れた王(おう)であっても、持(も)っているのは、これまで生(い)きてきた中(なか)で身(み)につけた知識(ちしき)と経験(けいけん)です。これから法蔵菩薩(ほうぞうぼさつ)が求(もと)めようとしているのは、今(いま)まで歩(い)いたことのない道(みち)でした。知(し)らない道(みち)を、知(し)っていることだけを頼(たよ)りにして歩(ある)くことはできません。

このお経(きょう)の講義(こうぎ)のとき、私(わたし)の師匠(ししょう)は、よく言(い)っていました。「この話(はなし)を神話(しんわ)だ、昔話(むかしばなし)だと決(き)めつけてはいけません。こういう話(はなし)の中(なか)に真実(しんじつ)がある。偏見(へんけん)を持(も)たず、心(こころ)を柔(やわ)らかくして読(よ)みなさい。」

私(わたし)たちは長(なが)く生(い)きれば生(い)きるほど、たくさんの経験(けいけん)を重(かさ)ねます。

「あの時(とき)はこうだった」「私(わたし)はこうしてきた」「昔(むかし)からこうするものだ」。その経験(けいけん)は、もちろん大切(たいせつ)なものです。しかし、ときには、その経験(けいけん)が新(あた)らしいものを見(み)る目(め)を曇(くも)らせることもあります。

法蔵菩薩(ほうぞうぼさつ)は、自分(じぶん)の知識(ちしき)や経験(けいけん)だけでは答(こた)えを見(み)つけることができませんでした。だからこそ、これまで自分(じぶん)が知(し)っていたことにとらわれず、心(こころ)を開(ひら)いて、もう一度(いちど)、新(あた)らしい目(め)で道(みち)を求(もと)めなければなりません。

「汝(なんじ)、自(みずか)ら当(た)に知(し)るべし。」

この短(みじ)かい言葉(ことば)は、法蔵菩薩(ほうぞうぼさつ)だけに向(む)けられた言葉(ことば)ではないのかもしれませんが、いくつになっても、私(わたし)たちの前(まえ)には、まだ歩(ある)いたことのない道(みち)があります。

そんな時(とき)こそ、「私(わたし)はもう知(し)っている」と思(おも)わず、心(こころ)を開(ひら)いて、真摯(しんし)に見(み)つめてみる。そこから、これまでと違(ちが)った何(なに)かが、目(め)の前(まえ)に開(ひら)けてくるのではないのでしょうか。



Rev. Majima's Message from page 2 continued:

Perhaps Buddha Lokeśvararāja was not simply withholding the answer from Dharmakara. Perhaps he was urging him to step beyond the knowledge and experience he had relied upon, beyond his position and accomplishments, and even beyond his idea of "This is who I am."

To truly see, perhaps we sometimes have to step away from ourselves.

My teacher's words still come back to me: Open your eyes. Let go of your assumptions. Look sincerely.

When we stop thinking, "I already know," and step away, even for a moment, from our own experience, opinions, and sense of self, perhaps we can see what is before us with an open heart.

And then, something we have never seen before may begin to open before our eyes.

Namo Amida Butsu

Message from Rev. Majima (for students)

The Two Caravans

Long ago, two caravans set out to cross a vast desert. They carried food, goods, and large jars of water. The journey was long, the sun was hot, and the water was heavy.

Day after day, they traveled across the hot sand. The people were tired, and so were the animals. Everyone wished the carts could be a little lighter.



Then they met travelers who told them, "Water ahead! There is plenty of water nearby."

Everyone was excited. If there was water ahead, why carry those heavy jars?

The first caravan was happy to believe the news. It was exactly what they wanted to hear. They poured out their water, made their carts lighter, and continued happily. "So easy!"



But the leader of the second caravan stopped. "Are we sure?" He looked carefully around him. If water was nearby, where were the signs? There were no clouds, no green plants, and no birds flying toward water. The desert was still dry.

What they had heard sounded wonderful. But what they could actually see told a different story. So the leader said, "Keep the water." The water was heavy, but they carried it with them.

The first caravan soon discovered that there was no water ahead. They had believed the story because it was exactly what they wanted to hear. The second caravan kept its water and safely crossed the desert.



Both groups heard the same words. But they did not see the same thing. Sometimes we see what we want to see. Sometimes we hear what we want to hear.

Before we decide, perhaps we can stop for a moment, step away from what we already think we know, and look carefully at what is really there. You may be surprised by what you see.

Namo Amida Butsu

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Reedley Buddhist Church 72nd Annual Food Bazaar

Boneless chicken teriyaki, teriyaki beefstick, chow mein,
namasu, rice, & almond cookie

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2026

3:00 - 6:00 PM

DINE-IN OR TAKE OUT

\$22 PER DINNER - PRE-SALE ONLY

2035 15TH STREET, REEDLEY, CA 93654

*A limited number of dinners available

Also for sale: Inari Sushi, Spam Sushi, Desserts, Country Store

Cut here and return

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email or cell phone text (for receipt confirmation): _____

Boxed Dinners: _____ x \$22.00 Total Enclosed _____

Deadline: Monday, October 19, 2026

Make checks payable to: **REEDLEY BUDDHIST CHURCH**

Send to: Reedley Buddhist Church - P.O. Box 24, Reedley, CA 93654

Questions: Call Vickie Nishida at (559)903-0317 or email:

vlnishida1@gmail.com or Karen Sakata at (559)284-9885

or email: kgsakata@verizon.net

For more information or to download a form go to: www.reedleybc.org



Church Acknowledges Dana

The Naito Family	
<i>Naito Family Memorial Service & Use of Conference Room</i>	\$500.00
Mrs. Ellen Kato	
<i>In Memory of Ms. Priscilla Kehoe</i>	200.00
Nishida / Ramos Families	
<i>Use of Conference Room</i>	200.00
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Nishida	
<i>Special Donation</i>	200.00
Mr. & Mrs. George Tsuji	
<i>Senior Meals Donation</i>	200.00
Mr. Stanley Hirahara	
<i>Senior Meals Donation</i>	100.00
Mrs. Sue Kawamoto	
<i>Senior Meals Donation</i>	100.00
The Family of Shig & Namie Naito	
<i>1st Year Memorial for Mrs. Namie Naito and 33rd Year Memorial for Ms. Ellen Naito</i>	100.00
Rev. Kazuaki Nakata	
<i>50th Birthday Donation</i>	50.00
Ms. Joyce Zoubul	
<i>In Memory of Ms. Priscilla Otani Kehoe</i>	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Okamura	
<i>In Memory of Mrs. Shizu Kunishige</i>	40.00
Mr. Keith Hiyama & Family	
<i>Naito Family Memorial Service</i>	30.00

Maintenance Fund

Mark Abe 50.00

Michio Miyamoto 50.00

August Shotsuki Memorial Service Donations

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Tahara	
<i>In Memory of George Ikemiya</i>	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ty Tavlan & Family	
<i>In Memory of Carolyn Ikemiya</i>	50.00

September Shotsuki Memorial Service Donations

Mr. Ben Nobuhiro	
<i>In Memory of Kakuro Nobuhiro & Hisao Nobuhiro</i>	\$ 150.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gerry Hada	
<i>In Memory of Kay Hada</i>	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gerry Hada	
<i>In Memory of Gregory Hada</i>	100.00
Mrs. Chizuko Iwasaki	
<i>In Memory of Iyo Iwasaki & George Iwasaki</i>	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Nishinaka	
<i>In Memory of Noriaki Hirasuna, Kumazo Mizokami, & Shigeo Mizokami</i>	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Okamura	
<i>In Memory of Jim Sakuragi</i>	100.00
Mr. Don Takanishi	
<i>In Memory of Yutaka Tak Takanishi</i>	100.00
Mrs. Cathy Tanizaki Zachry	
<i>In Memory of Masaru Tanizaki</i>	100.00
The Asami / Garrigus Families	
<i>In Memory of Hanna Asami</i>	50.00
Mrs. Peggy Bungo & Mr. David Bungo	
<i>In Memory of Tsuru Inn</i>	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Nori Hashimoto	
<i>In Memory of Shig Hashimoto & Midori Hashimoto</i>	50.00
Ms. Michi Hotta & Ms. Jun Hotta	
<i>In Memory of Hideo Hotta</i>	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Iwasaki	
<i>In Memory of Ann Iwasaki</i>	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Sakata	
<i>In Memory of Tsuru Naito, Tsuru Inn, & Tatsuo Sakata</i>	50.00
Mrs. Alice Nakamura & Mr. Ken Nakamura	
<i>In Memory of Fusa Nishi</i>	40.00
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Nishida	
<i>In Memory of Tsuru Naito</i>	40.00
Mr. & Mrs. James Hatakeda	
<i>In Memory of Tona Arakawa</i>	30.00
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kobayashi	
<i>In Memory of Tsuru Naito</i>	25.00
Ms. Amy Naito	
<i>In Memory of Tsuru Naito</i>	25.00





Reedley Dharma School is seeking donations!

COUNTRY STORE

at the Food Bazaar

We are looking for donations of:

Handmade items
Home goods
Tsukemono/Takuan
Jams/Jellies
Asian inspired items
Arare/Trail/Chex mix
and more!

Please visit on:

Sunday, November 1st, 2026

3:00 - 6:00 PM

Reedley Buddhist Church Hall



QUESTIONS

Call/text Melanie Mukai at (559) 859-0541 or email mtsakata@gmail.com
or Stacy Ramos at (559) 903-0625 or email ramos.stacya@gmail.com

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Reedley Buddhist Church Food Bazaar *Baked Goods and Desserts!*

Cakes - Pies - Cookies - Breads - Candies -
Cupcakes - Bar Cookies - Rolls - Manju - Cream
Puffs - etc.!

Please label items. If you need containers,
they will be available at church on Saturday,
October 31st during prep times. Bring items
on Sunday, November 1st to the Conference
Room.

Any questions - ask Joy Donaldson
or Karen Sakata.

November 1, 2026
3:00 - 6:00 PM

**We need your
help!**





Join Reedley Dharma School for a
Halloween
PARTY

OCT 24, 2026



4 PM
FAMILY DHARMA SERVICE

**Activities and dinner to follow
Family Dharma Service.
Costumes are highly
encouraged!**

RSVP by October 17 to
ReedleyDharmaSchool@gmail.com
keymekoh@gmail.com





Winter Coat Drive



Sept. 27 - Dec. 13, 2026

Reedley Buddhist Church

Dharma School is collecting gently used coats of all sizes for local schools and children in need.

Questions? Email reedleydharma-school@gmail.com

Social Hall to Receive a New Roof

The Social Hall will be getting a new roof in the weeks to come. The tin roof, which has been coming loose in places, will be removed and a new composite roof will be installed. Although it is costly, it was needed since the roof has not been replaced in many years.

Large group gatherings use the hall for many functions like member's private gatherings, Hanamatsuri, funeral otoki meals, the Crab Feed, and the upcoming 72nd Annual Food Bazaar.

Thank you to our maintenance advisors, Kliff Justesen & Don Takanishi for their hard work and dedication.

BCA Member Survey

We want to hear your thoughts

We would like to invite you to participate in a brief survey to share your thoughts and perspectives regarding the Buddhist Churches of America (BCA). The purpose of this survey is to better understand awareness of BCA programs and services, along with your perception of the value BCA provides to local temples and sangha members, and opportunities to strengthen communication and engagement.

Your feedback is important and will help guide future efforts to support temples, ministers, and sangha members across our organization.

We invite you to complete this anonymous online survey using the link below. We expect the survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

Scan the QR Code to Complete Survey



Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and help shape the future of our Buddhist community.

In Gassho,

Gayle Noguchi
Executive Director
Buddhist Churches of America



October Shotsuki Memorial Service

The October Shotsuki Memorial Service will be conducted on Sunday, October 25, 2026 at 10:00 AM.

Families and friends are asked to attend and gassho. The deceased and seshu (observant) for October are as follows:

DECEASED:

Haruno Aoki
Hamako Nakagawa
Taro Hatanaka
Lois Miyuki Yamamoto
Henry Masato Hosaka

Kan Ibara, Taka Ibara, &
Masae Ibara
Matsue Ikemiya
Mino Enoshima

Masato Tsudama
Satsuki Ishida & Yoshi
Ishida

Eddie Kaoru Hirano
Yaeko Kai
Agnes Nobue Kamada
Hisayo Helen Fujita
Mary Sachiko Okubo

Frank Masao Kubota, Shime
Yoneta & Take Kanefuku
Mitsue Maruyama
Natsuyo Matoi & Akio Matoi
Setsuo Miyamoto
Miki Morita & Fusakichi
Takeuchi
Shigeji Naito
Jitsuji Bungo & Alan Bungo
Steven Shin Nakagawa &
Kametarō Nakagawa
Haruye Nishida & Yasumatsu
Kishi

Tokumatsu Nishinaka
Tosaku Nobuhiro
Lola Ohashi
Mabel Matsuko Okamura
Bunichi Omachi
Hideo Otani & Sayoko
Otani

SESHU: (OBSERVANT)

Cheryl Miyakawa
& Nannette Mori
Lisa Lo
Joyce Hatanaka
Arthur Hirata
Russell Hosaka &
Gayle Kaplan

Eloise Ibara
Toshi Kawagoe
Joyce Mebed
& Gary Sakata
Joyce Mebed

Dale Ishida
Lorraine Iwo
Eva Iwanaga
David Kamada
Sue Kawamoto
Janet Kamada &
& Craig Ito

Ben Kubota
Michael Maruyama
Evelyn Asato
Michio Miyamoto

Lynn Kurumaji
Amy Naito
Grace Nakagawa

Midori Iwasaki

Julia Ueda & Larry
Nishida

Ronald Nishinaka
Ben Nobuhiro
Henry Ohashi
Dale Okamura
Kathleen Omachi

Hideki Otani

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October Monthly Memorial Cont.

DECEASED:

Alan Norio Bungo
Matao Sakata & Fumiko
Mizote
Sada Yamamoto, Yoshiye
Nakata & Jimmy Yamamoto
Hiromi Shimizu
Sumiko Betty Taguchi
Toshimatsu Nakagawa &
Tatsuno Nakagawa
Jeffrey Teranishi
Tamekichi Yoneda
Fumi Togioka
Rai Wada
Hiroshi Morikawa & Michiye
Eguchi
Ruth Yuriko Kobayashi

SESHU: (OBSERVANT)

Peggy Bungo
Gary Sakata
Debbie Diaz
Teruko Shibata
Shizuko Taguchi
Karen Takasaki
Leah Kawahara
Helen Hamaoka
Togioka Family
Greg Wada
Ayako Yamada
Ellen Yamada

Contact Numbers for Church Business

Reedley Church Phone: (559) 638-2146
Church President: Mrs. Vickie Nishida
Phone: (559) 903-0317
Funeral Committee Chair: Mr. Gary Sakata at:
Phone: (559) 250-9687
Fresno Betsuin Office: Lee Osaki: (559) 442-4054

Procedures for Requesting a Minister

Funerals:

The family will contact the Funeral Chairperson
Gary Sakata at (559) 250-9687.

Makuragyo Service:

To request a service please contact Rev. Majima at
(949) 278-0120.

Family Memorial Service:

For services at the Reedley Buddhist Church:
Contact RBC President, Vickie Nishida at (559)903-0317 to check the availability of the Reedley Buddhist Church. Then contact Rev. Majima at (949) 278-0120 or at: rev.mmajima@gmail.com
For Service at Family Home: The family will contact Rev. Majima to arrange for a service.

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FRESNO BUDDHIST TEMPLE

ANNUAL FOOD BAZAAR

“Come for Lunch, Take Home for Dinner!”

Sunday October 25, 2026

11:00am til 2:00pm
Boxes must be picked up by 1:00pm

BOX LUNCH

- Boneless Chicken Teriyaki
- 2 Beef Teriyaki Sticks
- Gyoza
- Namasu
- Edamame
- Rice
- Fruit

Tix must be purchased in advance, by Oct 16

\$25

ALA CARTE MENU

- Sushi
- Spam Musubi
- Shrimp/Vegetable Tempura
- Curry Rice Bowl
- BBQ Ribs
- Chicken Salad
- Desserts
- Beverages

PRICES VARY
CASH ONLY!

Raffle Drawing
first \$1000 | second \$500 | third \$250

2690 East Alluvial Ave. Fresno CA 93720

Information: 559.442.4054
info@fresnobuddhisttemple.org
www.fresnobuddhisttemple.org

ORDER DEADLINE: OCTOBER 16th

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TAKE OUT BOX _____ @ \$25.00 = \$ _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: “FRESNO BUDDHIST TEMPLE”

Please mail order form and payment to : Fresno Buddhist Temple—2690 E Alluvial Ave., Fresno 93720

For more information:
info@fresnobuddhisttemple.org
(559) 442-4054



2026 FOOD BAZAAR COMMITTEE (72nd Annual)

General Chairpersons: Charlene Okamura & Vickie Nishida

Date: Sunday, November 1, 2026

CHICKEN: Chairperson: M/M Dale Okamura Asst Chairperson M/M Larry Nishida

Saturday: 9:00 AM - Dry & Marinate

Sunday: 7:30 AM - Cook Chicken

- | | | | |
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| 1. Mark Abe | 9. Arthur Hirata | 17. Lynn Kurumaji | 25. Larry Nishida |
| 2. Kay Antoku | 10. Lily Ikemiya | 18. Cheryl Miyakawa | 26. Vickie Nishida |
| 3. Joy Donaldson | 11. Kliff Justesen | 19. Nannette Mori | 27. Henry Ohashi |
| 4. Steve Donaldson | 12. David Kamada | 20. Jeff Naito | 28. Charlene Okamura |
| 5. Naomi Hashimoto | 13. Janet Kamada | 21. Michael Naito | 29. Dale Okamura |
| 6. Nanette Hashimoto | 14. Kevin Kimura | 22. Roberta Naito | 30. Gary Sakata |
| 7. Nori Hashimoto | 15. Bobby Kobayashi | 23. Danny Nakamichi | 31. Don Takanishi |
| 8. Stanley Hirahara | 16. Judy Kobayashi | 24. Nanette Nakamichi | |

RICE COOKING: Chairperson: M/M Danny Nakamichi

Asst. Chairperson: M/M Gary Sakata

RICE: Saturday: 12:00 PM - Wash Rice Sunday: 7:00 AM (sushi) & 11:00 AM (dinners)

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| 1. Jim Hatakeda | 3. Nancy Kimura | 5. Nanette Nakamichi | 7. Karen Sakata |
| 2. Keiko Hatakeda | 4. Danny Nakamichi | 6. Gary Sakata | |

HOT DISH - CHOW MEIN: Chairperson: Iris Justesen

Asst. Chair.: Joy Donaldson

VEGETABLE PREPARATION at church: Saturday - 9:00 AM

NOODLE SHREDDING - Sunday - 8:30 AM

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| 1. Kay Antoku | 8. Glenn Hamaoka | 15. Lorikemiya | 22. Sheryl Mason |
| 2. Phyllis Asanuma | 9. Helen Hamaoka | 16. Craig Ito | 23. Phyllis Nishida |
| 3. Debbie Diaz | 10. Joanne Hansen | 17. Stephanie Ito | 24. Diane Otani |
| 4. Andrew Hamada | 11. Jim Hatakeda | 18. Iris Justesen | 25. Dennis Sasaki |
| 5. Jason Hamada | 12. Keiko Hatakeda | 19. Noreen Kajihara | 26. Donna Suemoto |
| 6. Julie Hamada | 13. Lorraine Holm | 20. Janet Kamada | 27. Margo Toyota |
| 7. Kathy Hamada | 14. Kenny Ikemiya | 21. Lynn Kurumaji | |

EGG COMMITTEE (Hot Dish):

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| 1. Noreen Kajihara | 2. Kenji Kajihara |
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BROTH (Hot Dish): Chairperson: Iris Justesen

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| 1. Joy Donaldson | 2. Iris Justesen | 3. Charlene Okamura | 4. Vickie Nishida |
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NOODLES: Co-Chairpersons:

Dale Okamura & Don Takanishi

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - set up grills (Chairmen)

Sunday: 7:00 AM Cooking noodles

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| 1. Mitchell Abe | 5. Kent Kawagoe | 9. Philip Nishida | 13. Brian Okubo |
| 2. Jason Hamada | 6. Stephen Kobayashi | 10. Scott Nishida | 14. Don Takanishi |
| 3. Harvey Hanemoto | 7. Tommy Kobayashi | 11. Randy Nobuhiro | 15. Dale Okamura |
| 4. Kenny Ikemiya | 8. Craig Miyamoto | 12. Stanley Sasaki | 16. Tyler Toyota |
| | | | 17. Shuzo Toyota |

CHOW MEIN COOKING: Sunday - Don Takanishi & Dale Okamura (Head Cooks)

1:30 - ?

Dale Okamura, Mitchell Abe, Kent Kawagoe, Jimmy Miyakawa, Craig Miyamoto, Philip Nishida, Don Takanishi, Scott Nishida, Tom Kobayashi, Kliff Justesen, Jason Hamada, Harvey Hanemoto, Kenny Ikemiya, Randy Nobuhiro, Brian Okubo, Dennis Sasaki, Stanley Sasaki, Shuzo Toyota, Tyler Toyota

BEEFSTICK COOKING: Chairperson: Joy Donaldson Sunday

07:00 AM Prep & bbq sticks

Steve, Andrew, Kenny I., Danny, Joy, Taylor, Vicki & PM - Sell - Taylor, Ka

08:30 AM Cool, count, package beefsticks

Charlene, Lynn, Phyllis A.

NAMASU: Chairperson: Diane & Ben Kubota

Saturday 7:00 AM Wash & Slice Cukes; Sunday 7:30 AM Prepare/mix/package Namasu

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| 1. JoyDonaldson | 7. KentKawagoe | 13. LynnKurumaji | 19. Cathy Tanizaki |
| 2. Steve Donaldson | 8. Nancy Kimura | 14. Danny Nakamichi | Zachry 20. Kasey |
| 3. Gerry Hada | 9. Stephen | 15. Kathy Nishinaka | Thornburg |
| 4. Joanne Hansen | Kobayashi 10. Alan | 16. Stephanie Okamura | 21. Kenny Sunamoto |
| 5. Bobby Ikemiya | Kubota | 17. Karen Sakata | |
| 6. SusanIkemiya | 11. Ben Kubota | 18. Tracy Sunamoto | |

SUSHI: Chairperson: Kathy Nishinaka

Ass. Chairperson: Lynn Kurumaji

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| INARI SUSHI | TIME: Sun. 9:00 am | SPAM SUSHI TIME: Sat. - 11:00 am / Sun. 9:00 am | |
| 1. Debbie Diaz | 7. Sheryl Mason | 14. Linda Doi | 20. Amy Naito |
| 2. Joy Donaldson | 8. Nanette Nakamichi | 15. Joanne Hansen | 21. Vickie Nishida |
| 3. Lorraine Holm | 9. Phylis Nishida | 16. Keiko Hatakeda | 22. Charlene Okamura |
| 4. Lynn Kurumaji | 10. Kathy Nishinaka | 17. Noreen Kajihara | 23. Janet Quiroz |
| 5. Janet Kamada | 11. Karen Sakata | 18. Ka Kobayshi | 24. Margo Toyota |
| 6. Judy Kobayashi | 12. Laura Tavlán | 19. Janice Munoz | |

SELLING SUSHI:

Sunday 2 - 6 p.m.

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| 1. Lynn Kurumaji | 2. Kathy Nishinaka |
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Selling Chow Mein, Namasu:

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| 1. Charlene Okamura | 2. Vickie Nishida |
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PASTRY: Chairperson: Noreen Kajihara

Assistant: Karen Sakata

Sunday - 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.

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| 1. Midori Iwasaki | 3. Noreen Kajihara |
| 2. Joanne Hansen | 4. Karen Sakata |

5. Margo Toyota

SERVING LINE: Joy Donaldson & Iris Justesen

Sunday - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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| 1. Joy Donaldson | 6. Arthur Hirata | 11. Nanette Nakamichi |
| 2. Andrew Hamada | 7. Iris Justesen | 12. Gary Sakata |
| 3. Jason Hamada | 8. Nancy Kimura | 13. Don Takanishi |
| 4. Julie Hamada | 9. Bobby | |
| 5. Kathy Hamada | Kobayashi 10. Diane Kubota | |

RUNNERS:

Sunday - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m

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| 1. Steve Donaldson | 2. Kliff Justesen | 3. Kenji Kajihara | 4. Henry Ohashi |
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PASSING OUT DINNERS (IN HALL):

Sunday - 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

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| 1. Kliff Justesen | 3. Jeff Naito |
| 2. Judy Kobayashi | 4. Dale Okamura |

TEA COMMITTEE: Co-Chairpersons: Janet Quiroz & Linda Doi

Sunday - 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

1. Dharma School Students and Parents

Members are requested to assist during the rush hour to help set and clear the tables.

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS: Chairperson: Ben Kubota

SET UP HALL:

Friday, October 30 - 1:00

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| 1. Steve Donaldson | 5. Judy Kobayashi | PM 9. Gary Sakata |
| 2. Art Hirata | 6. Ben Kubota | 10. Byron Taira |
| 3. Craig Ito | 7. Dale Okamura | 11. Don Takanishi |
| 4. David Kamada | 8. Charlene Okamura | |

PUBLICITY: Chairperson: Lynn Kurumaji

SIGNS: Judy Kobayashi

HOSTS: 1. Ron Nishinaka 2. Nori Hashimoto

TREASURER/TICKETS/CHECK-IN: Michael Naito & Larry Nishida

PURCHASING: Okamuras, Sakatas, & Nishidas