# THE WEST COVINA BUDDHIST TEMPLE & GATEWAAY &



# **2024 WCBT OBON FESTIVAL**

Dear Families and Friends of WCBT,

The time for celebrating and remembering the passing of our loved ones is among us. Yes! It is Obon time. This is a time when people join together with the belief that the spirits of their loved ones return to visit with their relatives and where Obon dances are performed in their honor. Mark **Saturday, June 29, 2024** on your calendars for a fun filled day. In addition to the festive dancing, we will be having a Manto-e ceremony, to honor our loved ones who have passed during the past year. This year, to liven things up, Kishin Daiko will perform their wonderful beats, and will be followed by Bon Odori. Tasty foods offered (on a first come, first served basis) are: Teriyaki Chicken Plates, Asian Chicken Salad, a la carte menu including Chicken Chow Mein, Gyoza, and cold tofu with toppings. Oh! I can't forget to mention, Shave Ice. There will be game booths for the children, various cultural displays, various vendors, and a refreshing beer booth, sponsored by Fukui Mortuary. This joyous event will take place on June 29, 2024. Our Obon Festival will be from **3:00 pm until 9:00 pm**. Manto-e Ceremony will begin at 6:00 pm, followed by Kishin Daiko at 6:30 pm, and Bon Odori at 7:00 pm. Tell your friends! We look forward to seeing you on June 29<sup>th</sup>!

With Gassho, Bruce Whang WCBT Obon Chair

May-June 2024

#### T H E G A T E W A Y

#### DHARMA SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Spring! May and June are busy months culminating with our Obon festivities. Mother's Day will be celebrated on May 12. On May 19 we will celebrate Tanjo-e and Hatsumairi where the newest members of our Temple are formally presented to the Buddha and the Sangha for the first time. Please let Sensei know if you would like your youngster to be honored at our Hatsumairi service.

Fathers and graduates will be recognized on June 16. If you have a graduate in your family (preschool through graduate school), please let Sensei know. We would like to pay tribute to his/her special achievement.

#### A Mother's Story

Many decades ago a war was brewing in a small country. People were afraid that they may lose their lives and their homes. One mother who lived in near poverty was very worried about her two children. She did her best to keep them safe, but she soon realized that she would have to do something extraordinary to keep them from being harmed.

Fortunately she had a good friend who lived in another, safer country. Her friend agreed to take her children to her country. Saying farewell was very difficult, but the mother reassured them that they would be reunited when things got better.

The war raged on for several years and the children were happy to receive letters from their mother periodically. Finally the war was over and the children were able to return to their native country. To their great sorrow they found that their mother had been killed shortly after they left.

Their mother had written many letters before the children left, and gave them to her friend. She asked her friend to pretend that the letters were mailed to them. The mother's letters gave her children comfort and security during the war years.

The children realized the deep love their mother had for them. They were profoundly grateful to her for the rest of their lives.

Gassho, Claire Hansen

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#### **Sunday Services**

All Sunday Services are now hybrid with both in-person and Zoom participation. Look for an email from Rev. Miyoshi or Rev. Fred inviting you to the services with the Zoom meeting ID and password. Please join us because it's always a pleasure to see all of your familiar faces!

#### **Discussion Class**

The weekly discussion class will be every Thursday at 10 am via Zoom. There is a different topic of discussion each week and a lively dialogue with a growing number of participants. Look for the email invitation with meeting ID and password or contact Rev. Miyoshi for the information.

#### **Study Class**

A virtual evening Study Class is held every second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm and we invite those who are unable to attend the Thursday morning Discussion Class to join us. The Study Classes will focus on the history and teaching of Jodo Shinshu. If you are interested in purchasing "The Teaching of Jodo Shinshu and the History of the Honganji Community" book which will be used as reference, or to get an email invitation, please contact Rev. Miyoshi.

#### Mother's Day Service

A Mother's Day family service will be held on May 12, at 10:00 am. A tribute to mothers will be presented by guest speaker Ms. Lily Kodama, daughter of Howakai member Mrs. Ryoko Kodamaso please attend this special service.

#### Tanjo-e & Hatsumairi

The Tanjo-e and Hatsumairi (new baby) Service will be held on May 19 at 10:00 am. We have the privilege of welcoming back former West Covina minister Rev. Koen (Mishima) Hosokawa as our special guest speaker during his visit to Los Angeles.

There will be a special ceremony

during the service to acknowledge new additions to our Sangha. Please contact Rev. Miyoshi if you or your family member has had a new baby in the last year.

Join us for this special day of celebrating new births and to welcome back Rev. Hosokawa. For those who would like to visit with Rev. Hosokawa after the service, contact Rev. Miyoshi (213) 219-6140 or Joy Kitaura joymk8@msn.com for a lunch gathering.

#### Dads & Grads Family Service

A Father's Day & Graduation Family service will be held on June 16 at 10:00 am. All graduates will be honored so please contact Rev. Miyoshi (213) 219-6140 with the names of graduates (preschool through graduate school) in your family. Join us for this special event.

#### **Obon 2024!**

WCBT Obon Festival will be held on Saturday, June 29, from 3:00 - 9:00pm. Newly returning post-Covid are the games booths, shave ice, Temple displays and some new vendors. For full menu of foods and events, see page 1.

Bon odori dance practices will begin every Tuesday and Thursday in June at ESGVJCC parking lot. The dates are June 11, 13, 18, 20, 25 and 27. Set-up will begin Friday, June 28. Exact times and info will be sent out in an email closer to the Obon date. Clean-up will be Sunday, June 30.

The Living Dharma website has a link <u>https://livingdharma.org/index.</u> php/donations/ for donations. You can use PayPal, credit or debit cards to make donations to the temple with a few simple clicks. Checks are still and always accepted as well for the traditionalist.

#### MAY BIRTHDAY

Dina Mayeda, Stacey Miyashiro, Teri Ezaki, Say Masai, Ted Hamachi, Warren Hamachi, Evan Hamachi, Kay Sakaue, Garrett Hamachi, Kaylin Kanemaru, Claudia Haraguchi, Sara

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T H E G A T E W A Y

#### 2024 Higashi Honganji NAD Joint Retreat Report Carol Fujii

On March 30 and 31, 2024 I attended the Joint Retreat held at the Los Angeles Betsuin where Prof. Zhang Wei of Doho University, Nagoya, Japan held a two day, on-line and in-person lecture, "Shinshu Teachings in Our Daily Lives - A Spiritual Turning Point in Our Lives". Several members from West Covina and the LA Betsuin attended both days as well as those from Berkeley, having just arrived from the airport that morning. Bishop Noriaki Ito and most of the NAD ministers participated in the retreat either on-line or in-person. There were roughly thirty participants in all.

Our first day of the Retreat started with an Opening Service and Shoshinge in the Hondo. Afterwards we moved to the Social Hall downstairs where we listened to the Address by Bishop Ito via Zoom.

With translation into English by Rev. Tomoyuki Hasegawa, Prof. Wei began with a discussion of Hiroshi Noma (1915-1991), a prominent novelist of the Post-War literature style in Japan. Noma's father was a lay-Buddhist and established a school of Iodo-Shinshu in his home. After his father's death, Noma's family fell into poverty and endured much hardship. This led Noma to question Buddhism and the teachings of Shinran Shonin. Still over time, Noma found himself drawn to the teachings, according to Prof. Wei, and devoted his time to share Shinran's teachings to many people in his final vears.

In 1984, Prof. Wei translated Noma's work, "Kurai e" ("Dark Pictures") into Chinese. From then on, she began studying under Noma and researched further into Jodo Shinshu. Before Noma's passing, Prof. Wei received a letter from Noma and he encouraged her to "study Shinran's teachings thoroughly". Prof. Wei said that she upheld that request.

In 1988, Prof. Wei attended the World Dobo Conference where she had her first encounter with a community of Jodo Shinshu followers. In time she became convinced that the teachings of Jodo Shinshu will help guide others to liberation. She spent eight years translating Shinran's work, "Kyogyoshinsho", into Chinese and in 2016 her work was published.

Prof. Wei believes Shinran's teachings helped her understand the pain and suffering she and her family endured during the Cultural Revolution, which occurred in China from 1966-1976.

The Cultural Revolution was a sociopolitical movement initiated by Mao Zedong. The movement's goal was to preserve Chinese communism and upend remnants of capitalism that he felt was infiltrating within the society. However, this movement turned violent and early in the movement, the Chinese Red Guard, mainly run by students, beat a teacher to death. In that 10-year period over 10,000 people were killed.

Prof. Wei described how members of the Red Guard broke into her friend's home, beat her grandfather and killed her grandmother. Her father was a renown electrotherapist, head of the electrotherapy department of a hospital. He studied western medicine at a Japanese-established medical school and collaborated with other Japanese physicians. As a result, he was considered a Japanese spy. Her father was brought to "struggle sessions" where he was publicly accused, humiliated and tortured. Prof. Wei, then only 10 years old, was bullied and teased by her peers in school for having a "Japanese spy father". Out of anger she

told her father how unhappy she felt to be with her "unliberated" family and "Japanese spy" father. She saw the hurt in her father's eyes and when he subsequently attempted to commit suicide, she felt extreme remorse. She realized her father endured not only the pain stemming from outside the family, but the pain coming from within, coming from her as she lashed out in frustration.

Prof. Wei said the Cultural Revolution exposed the darkness in the human mind. But she also realized how deep the darkness is in her own mind. Shinran said "akunin", evil or darkness, is in every person, with no exception, and that everyone is equally evil. Because everyone has darkness, Prof. Wei says, and depending on the conditions, some become perpetrators and others become victims. Shinran teaches us that the evil person, "akunin shoki," is the object of Amida Buddha's compassion. Both perpetrators and victims can receive liberation, says Prof. Wei.

The lecture ended with Q&A from both in-person and on-line participants with dinner served immediately afterwards.

The second day of the Retreat started with Sunday Service with Prof. Wei delivering the Dharma Message. Lunch was served afterwards in the Social Hall. With the extra time our group had, Haruko Mayeda led an exercise where we all had an opportunity to ask three questions to random participants. Judging by the loud discussions it appeared that everyone was wrapped up in it. Thank you, Haruko. I got a chance to get to know a few people!

Prof. Wei continued talking about her experiences during the Cultural Revolution. After her father was hos-

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pitalized and treated for his suicide attempt, he was forced to do hard labor as punishment for being a "spy" for several years.

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During this time the "Down to the Countryside" movement was also occurring. A select number of youths were sent to mountainsides and farmlands to learn from the villagers and farmers. Since physicians were needed, her father was recruited, and Prof. Wei's family was sent to a village near Mongolia. There, her father worked as a doctor and traveled wherever he was needed in that region. He thrived as he gained respect and appreciation from the local townspeople. Dr. Wei said she remembers seeing how muddy her father's face was when he suffered through the "struggle sessions". She remembers, in the later years, how muddy her father's face was when coming back from his travels to aid others in the countryside. I sensed a feeling of respect and pride when she recounted this. The young teenage daughter was seeing her father in a new light.

As a young teen, Prof. Wei learned to work in the fields along with the farmers. She recalled a time early on which she called "the vinyl shoes in the field" incident. Having come straight from the city. Dr. Wei wore the only shoes she had, vinyl shoes, when she worked the field with the other farmers. Her feet in pain and not being accustomed to the hard labor. Dr. Wei worked slowly in the field and fell behind while the seasoned farmers steadily worked on. When the farmers took their breaks, she continued through the break so she could catch up and when she finally did join up with them, the farmers resumed their work. Not wanting to fall back behind again, Dr. Wei continued working without taking a break. Some of the farmers noticed her efforts and helped her finish her work after they finished theirs. She gained enormous respect for the hard-working farmers and realized

how difficult their jobs and lives were.

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Prof. Wei said her experiences in the village had started her on the path toward Buddhist teachings. She learned that every existence is dependent on cause and condition - that everything that exists is dependent on something else. This dependence causes suffering and the way to liberation, awakening, is through the total reliance of Amida's compassion.

After Prof. Wei ended her lecture, we moved up to the Hondo for the Closing Service. Afterwards, a few participants came up to deliver Kanwa, including Johnny Martinez. Johnny's Kanwa was extremely moving as he shared how his late-wife, Joanie, gave him another family, the Sangha. I will not forget what he shared with us that afternoon.

After the Retreat ended, Rev. Nobuko Miyoshi, Rimban William Briones, Claudia and Richard Haraguchi, Tanya Kato, Johnny Martinez and I accompanied Prof. Wei to a wonderful dinner at Hearts and Flame in the Art District. just a few blocks away from the temple. There we had a chance to talk further with Prof. Wei. thanks to Rev. Mivoshi, who translated for all of us. We learned Prof. Wei will soon be meeting her son and his family, who currently resides in San Francisco, for the next several days. Due to COVID-19, she

has not been able to see her new grandchild, so this meeting is special and long-awaited. We are so happy for you, Prof. Wei!

Mid-way through dinner I stopped and sat back to take everything in. not something I always do. I watched everyone share something funny or something about themselves; watched them laugh and smile. I felt very happy and thankful that we were all enjoying this special moment in time – Thank you, thank you, thank you! Ahhh, the Nembutsu!

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In reflection, Prof. Wei mentioned many things that were noteworthy, but the one that hit home to me was how she overcame the guilt when she felt she was responsible for her father's attempted suicide. I asked her if there was something more specific that helped her find peace. She answered that she was comforted by Shinran's teachings. Shinran says that everything that happens to us is through the working of Amida Buddha. We should feel truly thankful as everything in life, whether good or bad, is a gift.

This report is not all inclusive; there were many other key points and thoughts that were discussed by Prof. Wei. I apologize for not including them all here.

I want to give my heartfelt thank you to Prof. Wei for delivering two very eye-opening sessions, to those who helped with the preparation of this Retreat and to Rev. Hasegawa for tirelessly and humbly translating ALL of Dr. Wei's words for two straight days so that I could understand her important message. Thank you so very much!



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### **SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024** 3:00-9:00PM MANTO-E SERVICE 6:00pm **KISHIN DAIKO** 6:30pm BON ODORI 7:00-9:00pm

#### **BON ODORI PRACTICE**

June 11, 13, 18, 20, 25 and 27 | 7:00-8:30pm

#### **DELICIOUS FOOD**

Chicken Teriyaki Plate • Asian Chicken Salad Chicken Chow Mein, etc. • Cold Beer

#### **EXHIBITS and VENDORS**

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#### T H E G A T E

## West Coving Buddhist Temple Announces Bon Odori Dance Practices

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- WHAT: The Bon Odori dancing is the highlight of the Obon because, as a celebratory "group dance," it symbolizes the world of oneness that is the goal of the Buddhist teaching. It's also just a lot of fun! The public is invited to learn the specific moves of each dance at the free and popular public dance instruction practices.
- WHEN: Every Tuesday and Thursday, 7-8:30 pm starting <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 11</u>. (June 11, 13, 18, 20, 25 & 27)
- WHERE: the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center parking lot, 1203 West Puente Avenue, West Covina, 91790
   THE OBON FESTIVAL: Saturday, June 29, 3-9 pm



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# WCBT Sangha Social Gathering April 27























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#### (「リトリート」9頁からの続き)

憎しみを向けられた父親は自殺を試 みます。父親をそこまで追い詰めた責 任は自分にもある、先生はそう思い長 く苦しみました。

文化大革命は人間の闇を容赦な く暴き出しました。それは誰か一部 の人がもっている闇や悪ではなく、 誰もがもち、そして先生自身も間違い なくもっている闇です。親鸞が教える 「悪人」とは、例外なくあらゆる人の ことを表現する言葉である、と先生 はご自身の体験を通して深く理解さ れました。縁によって、ある時は被害 者となり、その同じ人が別の時には 加害者となる。そのような現実だか らこそ、親鸞の教えは私たちに被害 者と加害者の両方が解放されていく 道を阿弥陀仏の慈悲を通して伝えて くださっているのです。

文化大革命では知識人や若者を 農村に送る「上山下郷運動」も行わ れ、医師であった父親は家族と共に モンゴルとの国境近くの農村に移住 しました。その地で父親は医者として 尽力し、多くの人から尊敬され感謝 されました。泥だらけになりながら患 者の待つ場所まで行くこともありまし たが、泥がついたその顔は人間の尊 厳に満ちていました。 先生が家族と一緒に農村に送ら れたのは16歳の頃でした。都会の 生活しか経験したことのない少女に とって農作業は過酷でした。けれど もその中で彼女をさりげなく支える 農民の人たちの温かさにも触れるこ とができました。

農村での経験は張先生が仏道を 歩み始めるきっかけとなりました。あ らゆるものは縁起の存在であるとい うことに深く頷くことができたとおっ しゃいました。耐え難いほどの苦しみ の中だからこそ、温かなやさしさに出 会うことができる。苦しみの体験が自 身を解放する縁となっている。人を、 そして先生自身を目覚めさせる大き なはたらきを先生は阿弥陀仏の慈悲 として表現してくださいました。

私が最も心に残ったのは、どうや って父親に対する罪の意識を克服 したのか、と私が質問した時の先生 の答えです。先生は親鸞の教えによ って救われたとおっしゃいました。 人生に起こるあらゆることは阿弥陀 仏のはたらきである。良いことも悪い ことも贈り物としていただくことがで きたのは、親鸞の教えのおかげです、 と言われたのです。

日程の最後には参加者の数人が 感話をし、コビナのメンバーであるマ ルティネス・ジャニー氏もその一人で した。彼は亡くなった妻のジョニーさ んが家族と僧伽を彼に与えてくれた ことへの深い感謝を話してくれまし た。私は彼の感話に感動しました。 決して忘れることはないと思います。

リトリート終了後、コビナからの参加者は張先生と一緒に夕食に出かけました。西本願寺のブリオネス輪番も参加してくれました。アートディストリクトにあるレストランで先生と話をする機会に恵まれました。見義先生の通訳を介しながら、張先生との会話を楽しみ、先生の息子さん家族がサンフランシスコから会いに来てくれること、ずっと会えていなかったお孫さんと初対面することなどを聞き、その再会を一緒に喜びました。

夕食の時、みんなが笑い話を披露 したり、それを聞いて大笑いする姿を 見ながら、とても幸せでありがたい気 持ちになりました。この時間をみんな と一緒に楽しんでいることがとても嬉 しかったのです。

最後に、私にとって目覚めの体験 となったこのリトリートの準備をして くださった方々、講義を英語にしてく ださった長谷川先生、そして講義をし てくださった張先生に心から感謝し ます。ありがとうございました。





## 今年のお盆まつりについて

今年もお盆の季節を迎えます。

ウェストコビナ東本願寺では6月29日(土)にお盆まつりを開催します。 時間は午後3時から9時までです。

お盆の名物であるチキン照り焼きをはじめ、美味しい食べ物と冷たいビー ルでみなさんをお待ちしています。今年はかき氷やゲームコーナーも再開し ます。

万灯会法要は午後6時から駐車場のやぐら前でお勤めします。法要後は 気心太鼓のパフォーマンスがあり、盆踊りは7時から始まります。

ご家族、お友達をお誘いの上ぜひご参加ください。一緒にお盆まつりを盛 り上げていきましょう!

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ウォン・ブルース お盆まつり実行委委員長



去る3月30日(土)と31日(日)の 二日間にわたって開教区合同リトリ ートが別院にて開催されました。講 師として名古屋の同朋大学から張 偉特任教授がお越しくださり、「生活 における真宗の教え:回心一人生の 転換点」というテーマでお話ください ました。別院やウェストコビナ、バーク レーのメンバーと開教区の僧侶が対 面、オンラインで出席しました。

講義は張教授の日本語の講義を 長谷川先生が英語で通訳をするとい う形式で進められました。張先生は ご自身に真宗に出会うきっかけを開 いてくれた、戦後派文学の代表的な 作家である野間宏(1915~199 1)について話してくださいました。野 間氏の父親は、浄土真宗の一派を立 て、自宅で念仏道場を開いて門徒を 持ちました。しかし、父親が亡くなると 一家は貧しさに直面します。野間氏 にとって親鸞の教えは現実問題を 解決する力のないものに思え、疑問 を持つようになったのです。しかし、 否定しようとしても親鸞に惹かれ続 け、晩年は多くの人に親鸞の思想を 伝えるために尽力しました。

野間氏と張先生との出会いは、1 984年に野間氏の著書『暗い絵』 の中国語翻訳を任されたことでし た。それは浄土真宗との出会いでも ありました。野間氏は手紙で張先生 に「親鸞を徹底的に学んでください」 と伝え、先生はそれを野間氏の遺 言として受け取ったのです。そしてそ の言葉に支えられ、8年の歳月をか けて2016年に親鸞の主著である 『教行信証』の中国語訳を出版しま した。また1988年の世界同朋大会 への参加で、多くの同朋との出会い に恵まれました。

張先生にとって親鸞の教えは自身 や家族が文化大革命(1966~19 76)の時に経験した痛みと苦しみを 理解する力になっているとおっしゃい ました。毛沢東が始めた文化大革命 は、中国社会に浸透していた資本主 義を否定し、中国共産主義を維持す る運動でした。しかしその運動は次 第に暴力性を帯び、学生で構成され た紅衛兵が教師を殴り殺すという事 件にまで発展しました。10年間に及 ぶ文化大革命の間、一万人以上が 命を落としたと言われています。

張先生の父親は電気治療を専門 とした医師でした。日本人が創立し た医科大学で西洋医学を学び、電 気治療を専門とした日本人医師と共 に電気治療院を経営した経験もあり ました。しかし、そのせいで「日本のス パイ」とされ、批闘の場に引き摺り出 され、公衆の面前での暴力と非難に 晒されました。それは先生が10歳の 時のことでした。

張先生もそのせいで学校で「スパ イの子供」といじめられました。自分 の境遇を父親のせいにして、「こん な親の元に生まれたくなかった」と 怒りをぶつけました。その時の父親 の傷つき悲しむ目を先生は忘れるこ とができません。外からの批判だけ でなく、父親を支えるべき家族からも (「リトリート」10頁に続く)

#### お寺ニュース

#### 盆踊り練習

今年の盆踊り練習は以下の予定 にて行われます。練習日は火曜日と 木曜日、会場は駐車場、時間は午後 7時から8時半までです。どうぞお 誘い合わせの上、お気軽にご参加 下さい。

練習日

- 6月11日(火)13日(木)
  - 18日(火)20日(木)
    - 25日(火)27日(木)

#### 法話会祥月法要

6月の法話会の祥月法要は6月 6日(木)、7月の法話会祥月法要は 7月11日(木)にお寺でお勤めしま す。時間はいずれも午前10時です。 皆さまのご参詣をお待ちしておりま す。 East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center, Inc.

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# May-June 2024 - VOLLVIII NO.3

#### May

- 19 10:00 am Tanjo-e/Hatsumairi Service-hybrid
- 23 10:00 am Discussion Class-online
- 26 10:00 am Sunday Service-hybrid
- 30 10:00 am Discussion Class-online

#### June

- 2 10:00 am Shotsuki Service-hybrid
  3 WCBT Golf Tournament
- 4 7:00 pm Board Meeting-online
- 6 10:00 am Howakai Japanese Service
- 6 10:00 am Discussion Class-online
- 9 10:00 am Sunday Service-hybrid
- 11 7:00 pm Bon Odori Practice
- 13 10:00 am Discussion Class-online
- 13 7:00 pm Bon Odori Practice
- 16 10:00 am Father's Day Family Service -hybrid
- 18 7:00 pm Bon Odori Practice
- 20 10:00 am Discussion Class-online
- 20 7:00 pm Bon Odori Practice

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2024年5月行事予定

- 19日 午前10時 誕生会/初参り法要 -ハイブリッド
- 26日 午前10時 日曜礼拝ーハイブリッド

#### 6月行事予定

- 2日 午前10時 祥月法要ーハイブリッド
- 3日 ゴルフトーナメント
- 4日 午後7時 理事会ーオンライン
- 6日 午前10時 法話会
- 9日 午前10時 日曜礼拝ーハイブリッド
- 11日 午後7時 盆踊り練習会
- 13日 午後7時 盆踊り練習会
- 16日 午前10時 父の日家族礼拝

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18日 午後7時 盆踊り練習会

