



47th National Scout Sunday Service Online

February 21, 2021

Chairperson's Opening Remarks: Laszlo Rodrigues
Chaplain's Aid

**Kansho (Ringing of the Temple Bell) with
Silent Meditation**

Sutra Chanting: "Juseige" Rev. Mukojima

Group Reading: "The Daily Creed of Jodo Shinshu"
Boy Scout Troop 87

Dharma Message: Rev. Mukojima

Chairperson's Closing Remarks: Laszlo Rodrigues
Chaplain's Aid

Special Live Presentation: **Troop-Temple Trivia Game**
Troop 87

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2021 Troop and Pack 87 Leaders

Temple President: Mr. Robert Matsumoto
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Unit Commissioner: Mr. Steve Sherman

Troop 87 Scoutmaster: Mr. Johnny Parry

Assistant Scoutmasters:

Mr. Perry Peterson Ms. Khara Hines
Ms. Jean Sato Mr. Mike Miller
Mr. Jake Coggiano Mr. Steven Rodrigues
Ms. Diana Arrieta Mr. Robert Loh

Troop Committee Chairperson: Mr. Jeff Sato

Pack 87 Cubmaster: Mr. Jeff Sato

Den Leaders:

Mr. Gavin Duggan Mr. Leon Tagawa

Pack Committee Chairperson: Ms. Jean Sato

We hope you enjoyed our National Scout Sunday Service Online. We look forward to when we can all meet together in person for our services. It is our honor and pleasure to serve and express our appreciation for our sponsor, the Mountain View Buddhist Temple and all its members.

Cub Scout Metta Award Recipients

Casey Nakayama	Garrett Oku P84	James Ushiba
Stanton Sasaki	Kent Sakae	Kenny Osugi
Mark Shoemaker	Greg Matsumoto	Randall Miyashiro
Brent Kawaye	Stuart Ishida	Russell Fujikawa
Mark Yoshinaka	Kyle Sato P611	Justin Baba P611
Kyle Mikami P611	Kyle Ikeda P611	Trevor Baba P611

Boy Scout Sangha Award Recipients

Donna Sato E9	Lon Nakayama T25	Kelly Kuboyama T433
Gary Sato T9	Richard Obuchi	Allan Takatsuka
Steve Mayeda	Marvin Yamane	Glen Nishimura
Andy Takatsuka	Mako Matsuki	Michael Jacobs S51

Eagle Scouts (MVBT & Troop/Pack 87)

Brad Takasuka T12	Brad Horak T156	Rich Hirano T84
Dave Nishimoto	Brian Ebisui	David Crone T1
James Tsunoda	Tracy Yamamoto	Scott Hess T20
Steve Rodrigues T511	Aaron Umemoto	Brent Kawaye
Michael Miller T317	Michael Kanda	Stuart Ishida
Russell Fujikawa	Todd Uyehara	Mark Yoshinaka
Eric Asato	Robert Mori T436	Jimmy Matsuki
David Muramatsu	Brent Murata	Brian Taba
Steven Milam	Garrett Utsumi	Matthew Azuma
Riki Nakasuji	Jeff Saburomaru	Go Sasaki, Jr.
Johnny Parry T66	Chris Hayashi	Kevin Tsuchida
Michael Pow	Gabe Yoneda	Adam Freeberg
Jonathan Kimura	Kenneth Mah	Larry Kao
Eric Chuang	Pongsak Chafey	Israel Lipinski
Michael Yee	Brook Hailu	Nicholas Chang
Andrew Moran	Clark Barclay	Mark Horiuchi
Christopher Chew	Tony Jouselin	Steven Ledoux
Jonathan Wu	Joel Chang	Michael Rayzman
Matthew Horiuchi	Paul Bonini	Adam Le
Jake Coggiano T927	Desun Oka	Zachary Zimmerman

Eagle Scouts (MVBT & Troop/Pack 87 continued)

G. Nicolas Loyola	Justin Jue	Michael Papp
William Egleston	Jeffrey Lu	Alex Tseng
Neal Kenney	Daniel Papp	Andrew Lu
Justin Baba	Alex Murray	Adam Price
Kyle Mikami	Jacob Peterson	Nicholas Biggerstaff
Zachary Englhardt	Steven Ames	James Sato
Sean Terada	Kevin Duan	Vishank Battar
Scott Baker	Charles Bonini	Mark Lassen
Steven Lassen	Nicholas Peterson	Thomas Price
Ryan Dinh	Paul Young	Connor McNary
Nikhil D'Souza	Shiv Rustagi	Carson Englhardt
Ian Whitfield	Dylan Bartlett	Kenneth Sasamori
Gregory Hess	Ryan Tagawa	Ashwin Sreedhar
Andrew Sasamori	Hasith Basnayake	

Eagle and Sangha Award Recipients

Russ Hirano T84	Victor Inouye T84	Larry Masuoka T466
Dan Iwata T84	Rodney Iwata T84	Clyde Izumi T41
Bob Nakamoto T74	Alan Nakamoto T74	Jeff Sato T9
Bud Uyeda T80	Steve Sawamura T84	Darren Imai T84
Gregg Morioka T409	Craig Hamasaki	James Okamura T84
Eddie Okamura T84	Garrett Higa	Dwayne Kunimoto T84
Andy Ariyama	Brian Sasaki	Norman Higa
Dan Nishimoto	Rich Nishimoto	David Suzuki
Casey Nakayama	Kent Sakae	Lorin Mukai
Stanton Sasaki	Kenny Osugi	Clayton Higa
Derek Takegami	Scott Hirotsu	Randall Miyashiro
Chip Yamanaga	Kaz Yoneda	Henry Jacobs
Scott Takasuka	Michael Hirota	Devon Curry-Leech
Kyle Sato	Robert Imai	Pamudh Kariyawasam
Asun Oka	Gayan Seneviratna	Jay Patterson
Peter Wynne	Vinu Weerasinghe (Theravada)	

JU SEI GE **(Gatha of the Important Vows)**

JU SEI GE is a poem or *gatha* found in the *Larger Sutra of the Buddha of Immeasurable Life (Dai Muryo Ju Kyo or Dai-Kyo for short)*, one of the three Principal Sutras of Jodo Shinshu. This sutra delivered by Sakyamuni Buddha, relates how all sentient beings will attain liberation from suffering and sorrow in this world through the compassion of Amida Buddha. The historical Sakyamuni Buddha does this by telling the tale of the Bodhisattva Dharmakara who declares, in the presence of Lokeshvararaja Buddha, his intentions to become a Buddha himself. In the process, Bodhisattva Dharmakara declares a total of 48 vow that must be fulfilled before he can attain Buddhahood. Upon the fulfillment of all these vows, Bodhisattva Dharmakara become the Amida Buddha.

The JU SEI GE can be found following all of the 48 vows and can be looked upon as a summary of these vows into three basic pledges. For this reason, in some traditions this Gatha is sometimes called the *San Sei Ge* meaning the Gatha of the Three Sacred Pledges. They refer to Dharmakara's pledge to:

1. Establish the most incomparable vow in the world.
2. Become a great provider and aid all those in suffering and need.
3. Attain Buddhahood and have his Name (*Namo Amida Butsu*) heard throughout the ten quarters of the universe.

The establishment of the vows by a bodhisattva is very important in the process of attaining Buddhahood. They are a reflection of the heart and mind of that Bodhisattva manifesting true wisdom and compassion. What is of importance in the Larger Sutra is the sincerity and diligence by the Bodhisattva Dharmakara to carry out these vows for eons until their completion and finally attaining the Supreme Attainment of Buddhahood becoming the Amida Buddha.

JU SEI GE (Gatha of the Important Vows)

The Sutra On The Buddha of Immeasurable Life
-- delivered by Sakyamuni Buddha

*I have made vows, unrivalled in all the worlds;
I shall certainly reach the unsurpassed Way.
If these vows should not be fulfilled,
May I not attain perfect Enlightenment.*

*If I should not become a great benefactor
In lives to come for immeasurable kalpas
To save the poor and the afflicted everywhere,
May I not attain perfect Enlightenment.*

*When I attain Buddhahood,
My Name shall be heard throughout the 10
directions;
Should there be any place where it is not heard,
May I not attain perfect Enlightenment.*

*Free of greed and with profound mindfulness
And pure wisdom, I will perform the sacred
practices;
I will seek to attain the unsurpassed Way
And become the teacher of heavenly beings and
humans.*

*With my wondrous power I will shine a great
light
Illuminating the worlds without limit
And dispel the darkness of the three defilements
And deliver all from suffering and pain.*

*Having obtained the eye of wisdom,
I will remove the darkness of ignorance;
Blocking all paths of evil
I will open the gate to Attainment*

*Having attained Buddhahood untainted,
My majestic lights shall radiate in the ten
directions
Outshining the sun and the moon
And surpassing the brilliance of the heavens.*

*I will open the Dharma-storehouse for the
multitudes
And endow them all with treasures of merit.
Being always among the multitudes
I will proclaim the Dharma with a lion's roar.*

*I will make offerings to all the buddhas
Thereby acquiring roots of virtue.
When my vows are fulfilled and wisdom
perfected,
I will be the master of the three worlds.*

*As the Buddha's wisdom is unimpeded,
There is no place its light cannot reach,
May my power of Merit and wisdom
Be equal to the Most Honored One.*

*If these Vows are to be fulfilled,
Let this universe of a thousand million worlds
quake
And let all the heavenly beings
Rain down rare and marvelous blossoms from
the sky.*

*I take refuge in Amida Buddha
I take refuge in Amida Buddha
I take refuge in Amida Buddha
I take refuge in Amida Buddha
I take refuge in Amida Buddha*

*May this merit and virtue
Be shared equally with all beings.
May we together awaken the Bodhi Mind
And attain birth in the Realm of Serenity and Joy*

JU SEI GE (Gatha of the Important Vows)



Leader:

GA GON CHO SEI GAN

Sangha:

HIS- SHI MU JO DO

SHI GAN FU MAN ZOKu

SEI FU JO SHO GAKu

GA O MU RYO KO

FU I DAI SE SHU

FU SAI SHO BIN GU

SEI FU JO SHO GAKu

GA SHI JO BUTSU DO

MYO SHO CHO JIP- PO

KU KYO MI SHO MON

SEI FU JO SHO GAKu

RI YOKU JIN SHO NEN

JO E SHU BON GYO

SHI GU MU JO DO

I SHO TEN NIN SHI

JIN RIKI EN DAI KO

FU SHO MU SAI DO

SHO JO SAN KU MYO

KO SAI SHU YAKU NAN

KAI HI CHI E GEN

MES- SHI KON MO AN

HEI SOKU SHO AKU DO

TSU DATSU ZEN SHU MON

KO SO JO MAN ZOKu

I YO RO JIP- PO

NICHI GATSU SHU JU KI

TEN KO ON PU GEN

I SHU KAI HO ZO

KO SE KU DOKU HO

JO O DAI SHU CHU

SEP- PO SHI SHI KU

KU YO IS- SAI BUTsu

GU SOKU SHU TOKU HON

GAN E SHITSU JO MAN

TOKU I SAN GAI O

NYO BUTSU MU GE CHI

TSU DATSU MI FU SHO

GAN GA KU E RIKI

TO SHI SAI SHO SON

SHI GAN NYAK- KOK- KA

DAI SEN O KAN DO

KO KU SHO TEN NIN

TO U CHIN MYO KE ●

Leader:

NA MAN DA BU ●

Sangha:

NA MAN DA BU

NA MAN DA BU

NA MAN DA BU

NA MAN DA BU

NA MAN DA ● BU

Leader:

GAN NI SHI KU DOKU

Sangha:

BYO DO SE IS- SAI

DO HOTSU BO DAI SHIN

O JO AN ● RAK-● KOKu

THE DAILY CREED OF JODO SHINSHU

Entrusting in the Vow of the Buddha and reciting the sacred Name, I shall proceed through the journey of life with strength and joy.

Revering the light of the Buddha and always reflecting upon my imperfect self, I shall diligently attend to my life's tasks with gratitude.

Following the teachings of the Buddha, hearing and understanding the Proper Path, I shall help spread the True Teachings.

Rejoicing in the Compassion of the Buddha, I shall respect and aid others working for the benefit of society.