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Gotan-e/Fujimatsuri

Sunday, May 17, 2026

9:30am: Kieshiki Affirmation
Ceremony* (Buddhist Name)

10:30am: Dharma School Service

11:00am: Adult Dharma Service

11:45am: Otoki Lunch

Gotan-e (Shinran Shonin Day) celebrates the birthday of Jodo Shinshu founder Shinran Shonin (May 21). Also referred as Fujimatsuri (Wisteria Festival Day), this is a time to reflect on the kind of life – filled with gratitude – that we should follow in our daily lives.

Guest Speaker

Rev. Marvin Harada
Bishop
Buddhist Churches of America



Prior to beginning his tenure as Bishop in April 2020, Reverend Harada served as head minister of Orange County Buddhist Church for 33 years. He received degrees from the University of Oregon and Institute of Buddhist Studies before continuing his education in Japan at Chuo Bukkyo Gakuin Seminary and Ryukoku University (M.A., Shin Buddhist Studies).

*This event is free and open to the public - Limited free parking is available
Coffee, juice and breakfast treats available from 9:15am*

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* - Contact Church Office for more information and registration.