Mt Equity Sangha Full Morning Service

▲ I take refuge in Buddha
 ▲ May all beings ●
 embody the great way,
 resolving to awaken

I take refuge in Dharma ▲ May all beings ● deeply enter the sutras, wisdom like an ocean

I take refuge in Sangha ▲ May all ▲ beings ● support harmony in the community ● free from all hindrance.

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/ Verse of the Avalokiteshvara Bodhisattva Universal Gateway Chapter of the Lotus Sutra —\/--(Myōhōrengekyō kanzeon bosatsu fumonbon ge

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 Bodhisattva Akshayamati asked a question in verse:

"Oh World-Honored One, of wondrous form, I inquire again of that buddhachild: what are the causes of her name, 'Regarding the Cries of the World'?"

The Honored One, of wondrous form, replied in verse to Akshayamati: "Listen to the deeds of Avalokiteshvara, who aptly responds in every quarter. With vast pledge as deep as oceans, throughout kalpas beyond reckoning, she served many thousands of millions of buddhas, ©bringing forth this great pure vow.

For you I explain it briefly: hearing the name of seeing the form of Avalokiteshvara with mindful remembrance is not in vain, for the woes of existence can thus be relieved.

Even if someone with harmful intent should push you into a fiery pit, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power the pit of fire will turn into a pool.

If floating on a vast sea, menaced by dragons, fish, or demons, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power the billowing waves cannot drown you.

If from Mount Sumeru's lofty peak, someone were to throw you down, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power like the sun you would stand firm in the sky.

If pursued by wicked men, down from Diamond Mountain, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power they could not harm a single hair.

If surrounded by vicious bandits, each with a sword drawn to strike, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power at once their hearts will turn to compassion. If, persecuted by rulers, you face torture and execution, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power their weapons will thereby shatter to pieces.

If imprisoned in shackles and chains, hands and feet bound in restraints, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power suddenly you shall be released.

If by curses of poisonous herbs someone wishes to hurt your body, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power the harmful intent will return to its source.

If you meet evil creatures, poison dragons, or various demons, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power none will dare to harm you.

If surrounded by raging beasts with sharp fangs and dreadful claws, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power they will quickly scatter in all directions.

If venomous snakes or scorpions threaten with deadly breath of fire, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power at the sound of your voice they will turn and depart.

If clouds thunder and lightening strikes, hailstones fall, and it rains in torrents, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power instantly they will dissipate.

When living beings suffer hardships, burdened by immeasurable woes, the power of Avalokiteshvara's wondrous wisdom can relieve the suffering of the world. Fully endowed with miraculous powers, widely practicing wisdom and skillful means, in every land in all directions, in no realm does Avalokiteshvara not appear.

In all the various evil destinies of hell beings, hungry ghosts, and animals, the sufferings of birth, old age, sickness, and death are gradually relieved by Avalokiteshvara.

Of you of the true gaze, of the pure gaze, of the gaze of broad and great wisdom, of the compassionate gaze and the gaze of good will, ever longed for, ever revered.

Unblemished, serene radiance, benevolent sun, dispelling all gloom, Avalokiteshvara can subdue the wind and fire of woes, clearly illuminating all the world.

The precepts of compassion roar like thunder, the kind heart is wondrous as great clouds, pouring dharma rain of sweet dew, quenching all flames of troubling passion.

In disputes before judges, or fearful in the midst of battle, by mindfully invoking Avalokiteshvara's power ©all hostilities will be dispersed.

The wondrous voice of Avalokiteshvara, Brahma-voice, voice of the rolling tides, surpasses all sounds within the world; therefore ever keep it in mind.

In each thought, with never a doubt, Avalokiteshvara, the pure sage, in pain, agony, or death's distress, can provide a sure support.

Fully endowed with all virtues, her eyes of compassion behold all beings, assembling a boundless ocean of happiness; thus, with reference, you should make prostrations."

© Then Bodhisattva Dharanimdharo arose from his seat, went before the Buddha and said:

"Oh World-honored One, if there are living being who hear this chapter of Avalokiteshvara Bodhisattva, the benefits will not be slight for those people who come to know her deeds, her manifestation of a universal gateway, and her supernatural powers."

When the Buddha had preached this "Universal Gateway" chapter, • the eighty-four thousand beings in the assembly all aroused the thought of unsurpassed, • complete, perfect enlightenment.

/ P Disaster-Preventing Dharani —\/—

(Shōsai shu 消災呪) Full title: Marvelously Beneficial Disaster Preventing Dharani (Shōsai Myōkichijō darani 消災妙 吉祥陀羅尼) Disaster-Preventing Dharani ^ ©No mo san man da-moto nan oha ra-chi koto sha-sono nan ©(3)

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un-nun-shifu ra shifu ra-hara shifu ra hara shifu ra chishu sa-chishu sa chishu $\bullet(3)$ ri chishu ri-sowa ja-sowa ja- $\bullet(3)$ sen chi gya shiri e... so..mo..ko

(Eko /Dedication by Ino)

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All Buddhas throughout space and time
All honored ones, Bodhisattvas, Mahasattvas
Wisdom beyond wisdom
Maha prajna para mita

/ P Heart Sutra (Hannya shingyō 般若心経) Full title: Heart of Great Perfect Wisdom Sutra —\/— (Maka hannya haramitta shingyō 摩訶般若波羅蜜多心経)

OAvalokiteshvara Bodhisattva, when deeply practicing prajna parami ta, clearly saw \bigcirc that all five aggregates are empty and thus relieved all suffering. Shariputra, form does not differ from emptiness, emptiness does not differ from form. Form itself is emptiness, emptiness itself form. Sensations, perceptions, formations, and consciousness are also like this. Shariputra, all dharmas are marked by emptiness; they neither arise nor cease, are neither defiled nor pure, neither increase nor decrease. Therefore, given emptiness, there is no form, no sensation, no perception, no formation,

no consciousness; no eyes, no ears, no nose, no tongue, no body, no mind; no sight, no sound, no smell, no taste, no touch, no object of mind; no realm of sight... no realm of mind consciousness. There is neither ignorance nor extinction of ignorance... neither old age and death, nor extinction of old age and death; no suffering, no cause, no cessation, no path; no knowledge and no attainment. With nothing to attain, a bodhisattva relies on prajna parami ta, \bigcirc and thus the mind is without hindrance. Without hindrance, there is no fear. Far beyond all inverted views, one realizes nirvana. All buddhas of past, present, and future rely on praina paramita \bigcirc and thereby attain unsurpassed, complete, perfect enlightenment. Therefore, know the prajna paramita as the great miraculous mantra, the great bright mantra, the supreme mantra, the incomparable mantra, which removes all suffering and is true, not false. Therefore we proclaim the prajna paramita mantra, the mantra that says: "Gate Gate • Paragate Parasamgate • Bodhi Svaha.

(Eko /Dedication by Ino)

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(on even-numbered days)

Precious Mirror Samadhi / Hōkyō zanmai —\ /— 宝鏡三昧 (Hoh-kyoh-zan-ma-\ /-ee)

◎ The dharma of thusness is intimately transmitted by buddhas and ancestors.

Now you have it; preserve it well.

◎ A silver bowl filled with snow, a heron hidden in the moon.

Taken as similar, they are not the same; not distinguished, their places are known.

The meaning does not reside in the words, but a pivotal moment brings it forth.

Move and you are trapped, miss and you fall into doubt and vacillation.

Turning away and touching are both wrong, for it is like a massive fire.

Just to portray it in literary form is to stain it with defilement.

In darkest night it is perfectly clear; in the light of dawn it is hidden.

It is a standard for all things; its use removes all suffering.

Although it is not constructed, it is not beyond words.

Like facing a precious mirror;

form and reflection behold each other.

You are not it, but in truth it is you.

Like a newborn child, it is fully endowed with five aspects.

No going, no coming, no arising, no abiding; "Baba wawa" - is anything said or not?

In the end it says nothing, for the words are not yet right.

In the hexagram "double fire," when main and subsidiary lines are transposed,

piled up they become three; the permutations make five.

Like the taste of the five-flavored herb, like the five-pronged vajra.

Wondrously embraced within the complete, drumming and singing begin together.

Penetrate the source and travel the pathways, embrace the territory and treasure the roads.

You would do well to respect this; do not neglect it.

Natural and wondrous, it is not a matter of delusion or enlightenment.

Within causes and conditions, time and season, it is serene and illuminating.

So minute it enters where there is no gap, so vast it transcends dimension.

A hairsbreadth deviation, and you are out of tune.

Now there are sudden and gradual, in which teachings and approaches arise.

With teachings and approaches distinguished, each has its standard.

Whether teachings and approaches are mastered or not, reality constantly flows,

Outside still and inside trembling, like tethered colts or cowering rats.

The ancient sages grieved for them, and offered them the dharma.

Led by their inverted views, they take black for white.

When inverted thinking stops, the affirming mind naturally accords.

If you want to follow in the ancient tracks, please observe the sages of the past.

One on the verge of realizing the buddha way contemplated a tree for ten kalpas.

Like a battle-scarred tiger,like a horse with shanks gone grey.

Because some are vulgar, jeweled tables and ornate robes.

Because others are wide-eyed, cats and white oxen.

With his archer's skill,Yi hit the mark at a hundred paces.But when arrows meet head-on,how could it be a matter of skill?

The wooden man starts to sing, the stone woman gets up dancing.

It is not reached by feelings or consciousness; how could it involve deliberation?

Ministers serve their lords, children obey their parents.

Not obeying is not filial, Failure to serve is no help.

With practice hidden, function secretly, like a fool, like an idiot.

• Just to continue in this way

• is called the host within the host.

(Eko /Dedication by Ino)

(on odd-numbered days)

Harmony of Difference and Equality / **Sandōkai V** 参同契

© The mind of the great sage of India is intimately transmitted from west to east.

While human faculties are sharp or dull, the way has no northern or southern ancestors. The spiritual source shines clear in the light; the branching streams flow on in the dark.

Grasping at things is surely delusion; according with sameness is still not enlightenment.

◎ All the objects of the senses transpose and do not transpose.

Transposing, they are linked together; not transposing, each keeps its place.

Sights vary in quality and form; sounds differ as pleasing or harsh.

Darkness merges refined and common words; brightness distinguishes clear and murky phrases.

The four elements return to their natures, just as a child turns to its mother.

Fire heats, wind moves, water wets, earth is solid.

Eye and sights, ear and sounds, nose and smells, tongue and tastes;

thus for each and every thing, according to the roots, the leaves spread forth.

Trunk and branches share the essence; revered and common, each has its speech.

In the light there is darkness, but don't take it as darkness.

In the dark there is light,

but don't see it as light.

Light and dark oppose one another like the front and back foot in walking. © Each of the myriad things has its merit, expressed according to function and place.

Existing phenomenally like box and lid joining; according with principle like arrow points meeting.

◎ Hearing the words, understand the meaning;

do not establish standards of your own.

Not understanding the way before your eyes, how do you know the path you walk?

Walking forward is not a matter of far or near, but if you are confused, mountains and rivers block your way.

• I respectfully urge you who study the mystery,

• do not pass your days and nights in vain.

(Eko/Dedication by Ino)
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▲ Kuruson Butsu Daiosho
▲ Kunagonmuni Butsu Daiosho
▲ Kasho Butsu Daiosho
▲ Shakyamuni Butsu ▲ Daiosho
Makakasho Daiosho

Ananda Daiosho Shonawashu Daiosho Ubakikuta Daiosho Daitaka Daiosho Mishaka Daiosho Bashumitsu Daiosho Butsudanandai Daiosho Fudamitta Daiosho Barishiba Daiosho Funayasha Daiosho Anabotei Daiosho Kabimora Daiosho Nagyaharajuna Daiosho Kanadaiba Daiosho Ragorata Daiosho Sogyanandai Daiosho Kavashata Daiosho Kumorata Daiosho Shavata Daiosho Bashubanzu Daiosho Manura Daiosho Kakurokuna Daiosho Shishibodai Daiosho Bashashita Daiosho Funyomitta Daiosho Hannyatara Daiosho Bodaidaruma Daiosho Taiso Eka Daiosho Kanchi Sosan Daiosho Daii Doshin Daiosho Daiman Konin Daiosho Daikan Eno Daiosho Seigen Gyoshi Daiosho Sekito Kisen Daiosho Yakusan gen Daiosho Ungan Donjo Daiosho Tozan Ryokai Daiosho Ungo Doyo Daiosho Doan Dohi Daiosho Doan Kanshi Daiosho Ryozan Enkan Daiosho Taiyo Kyogen Daiosho Toshi Gisei Daiosho

Fuyo Dokai Daiosho Tanka Shijun Daiosho Choro Seiryo Daiosho Tendo Sokaku Daiosho Setcho Chikan Daiosho Tendo Nyojo Daiosho Eihei Dogen Daiosho Koun Ejo Daiosho Tettsu Gikai Daiosho Keizan Jokin Daiosho

Meiho Sotetsu Daiosho Shugan Dochin Daiosho Tessan Shikaku Daiosho Keigan Eisho Daiosho Chuzan Ryoun Daiosho Gisan Tojin Daiosho Jogaku Kenryu Daiosho Kinen Horyu Daiosho Teishitsu Chisen Daiosho Kokei Shojun Daiosho Sesso Yuho Daiosho Kaiten Genshu Daiosho Shuzan Shunsho Daiosho Chozan Gonetsu Daiosho Fukushu Kochi Daiosho Meido Yuton Daiosho Hakuho Genteki Daiosho Gesshu Soko Daiosho Manzan Dohaku Daiosho Daiki Gyokyu Daiosho Banjin Dotan Daiosho Konmo Dokku Daiosho Dokusho Kokan Daiosho Tomei Hokushu Daiosho Kenjo Kochu Daiosho Tensen Shuko Yuho Kokaku Daiosho Daiki Shunko Daiosho Daishun Shimbi Daiosho Kappa Daito Daiosho \blacktriangle Genshun Dai-en \blacktriangle Ni-daiosho (Ino) And to all the great women teachers, known and unknown, remembered through these honored names:

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▲ Acariya Mahapajapati ▲ Acariya Mitta ▲ Acariya Yasodhara ▲ Acariva Tissa Acariya Upasama Acariya Visakha Acariya Khema Acariya Uppalavanna Acariya Sundari-Nanda Acariya Vaddhesi Acariya Patacara Acariya Uttama Acariya Basha Kundalakesa Acariya Nanduttara Acariya Dantika Acariya Sakula Acariya Siha Acaryia Dhammadinna Acariya Kisagotami Acariya Vasethi Acariya Ubbiri Acariya Patacara-Pancasata Acariya Isidasi Acariya Bhadda Kapılanı Acariya Mitta Acariya Capa Acariya Shamma Citta Acariya Sumana Acariya Vimala Acariya Addhakasi Acariya Padumavati Acariya Ambapali Acariya Anopama Acariya \blacktriangle Abhirupanananda \blacktriangle Acariya Jenti

(Ino) Having received immeasurable benefit from the practice of myriad

enlightened beings of the past and present, we offer the merit of this ceremony to repay their kindness. May our life reveal their compassion. Let us honor their true being —\// ∧ ② All Buddhas throughout space and time ③ All honored ones, Bodhisattvas, Mahasattvas Wisdom beyond wisdom Maha prajna para mita

Great Compassion Dharani (Daihi shu 大悲呪) Full title: Great Compassionate Mind Dharani / **P Dai hi shin Dharani** —\/— 大悲心陀羅尼

© Namu kara tan no tora ya ya namu ori ya boryo ki chi shifu ra ya fuji sato bo ya moko sato bo ya mo ko kya runi kya ya © en sa hara ha e shu tan no ton sha namu shiki ri toi mo ori ya boryo ki chi shifu ra rin to bo na mu no ra kin ji ki ri mo ko ho do sha mi sa bo o to jo shu ben o shu in

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moko shido ya somo ko shido yu ki shifu ya ra somo ko ◎ nora kin ji somo ko mo ra no ra somo ko shira su omo gya ya so mo ko sobo moko shido ya somo ko shaki ra oshi do ya somo ko hodo mogya shido ya somo ko nora kin ji ha gyara ya somo ko mo hori shin gyara ya somo ko namu kara tan no tora ya ya • namu ori ya boryo ki chi shifu ra ya somo ko • shite do modora hodo ya so mo ko.

(Eko /Dedication by Ino)

/ Verse of the "Life Span of the Tathāgata Chapter" of the Lotus Sutra —\/— (Myōhōrengekyō nyorai juryōhon ge 妙法蓮華経如来寿量品偈)

Since I attained Buddhahood,
 the number of kalpas that have passed

is incalculable hundreds, thousands, myriads, and billions of long eons.

In order to liberate all beings, as skillful means I appear to have entered nirvana; yet truly I am not extinct, ever dwelling here to voice the dharma.

I forever abide in this world, but use my powers of spiritual penetration so that confused living beings, though nearby, fail to see me.

All those viewing me as extinct everywhere venerate my relics; all harbor feelings of yearning, and arouse adoring hearts.

When beings have become sincerely faithful, honest and upright, with gentle intention, wholeheartedly wishing to behold the Buddha, not begrudging their own bodily lives, then I and the assembled Sangha

appear together on vulture peak.

Then I tell the living beings that in this world I abide without end, by the power of expedient means, appearing to be extinct, or not.

Other lands contain living beings, reverent with faith aspiring;

among them as well, I give voice to supreme dharma.

You who do not hear this only suppose I am passed into extinction. I behold the living beings, drowning in a sea of suffering.

Hence I do not reveal myself, but set them all to yearning, till when their hearts are filled with longing, I then emerge and proclaim the dharma.

With such pervasive spiritual power, for uncountable kalpas I abide on sacred Vulture Peak and every other dwelling place.

When living beings see the kalpa's end, with all consumed in a great blaze, my domain stays serene and calm, ever filled with human and heavenly beings,

gardens and groves, pavilions and palaces,

adorned with every kind of gem, and jeweled trees lush with flowers and fruit,

where living beings delight and play.

The heavenly beings beat celestial drums,

ever making pleasing music, showering white mandarava flowers over Buddha and the great assembly.

My pure land is not destroyed, yet all view it as ravaged by fire, so that fear and distress pervade everywhere. The beings vexed with their offenses, caused by their unwholesome karma, through vast rounds of kalpas, hear not the name of the three treasures.

But those who practice virtuous deeds, are gentle, upright, and sincere; these all see that I exist, abiding here, proclaiming dharma.

At times for the sake of that assembly, I describe Buddha's lifespan as immeasurable; for those who after great lengths see the Buddha, I explain how rarely Buddha is encountered.

Such is the power of my wisdom, with beams of insight shining beyond measure; this life span of countless kalpas was gained from long-cultivated practice.

You who are possessed of wisdom, in regards to this, entertain no doubts; ◎ cast them off, forever ended, for Buddha's words are true, not false.

Like the good physician who with skillful means, in order to cure his delirious children, although truly alive spreads word he is dead, yet cannot be charged with falsehood.

I too, as parent of the world, savior of all suffering and afflicted, © for the sake of confused, worldly people, although truly living, I am thought extinct. If due to always seeing me, their hearts become selfish and arrogant, dissolute and set on the five desires, they would fall into evil destinies.

I always know which living beings practice the way, and which do not; in accord with what their salvation requires, I give voice to the various teachings.

I ever make this my thought: how can I cause the living beings
to enter into the unsurpassed way and promptly embody Buddha?

(Eko /Dedication by Ino)

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All Buddhas throughout space and time
 All honored ones, Bodhisattvas, Mahasattvas
 Wisdom beyond wisdom
 Maha prajna para mita

/ P Enmei Jukku Kannon Gyo

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Kanzeon!
Praise to Buddha!
All are one with Buddha!
All awake to BuddhaBuddha, Dharma, SanghaEternal, joyous, selfless, pure.
Through the day Kanzeon,
Through the night Kanzeon.
This moment arises from Mind
This moment itself is Mind

8 Jizo Sama Mantra —

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8 On Ka-Ka Kabi Sahn Mah Eh So-Wa-Ka (3 times)

8 Om MaKa **8** (3) Keyaraya So-Wa-Ka (3 times)

Eko (Dedication) by Ino

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All buddhas throughout space and time
All honored ones, Bodhisattvas, Mahasattvas
Wisdom beyond wisdom
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- shokesu or small bell
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P poke on mokugyo (3) bell on 3rd/last round only -\/-- voice tone taken down, then up \wedge hands in gassho (Rev. 12/22)