This Hallows Eve we are celebrating the element of Earth, our beloved ancestors, especially those who died for their beliefs during the inquisition, and Hecate, Queen of Witches. We reclaim the ancient way, a way of walking in nature with compassion and power as guardians of the Earth. We take back the power of the witch within-the healer and the artist. We call on Hecate to share her wisdom, magic, prophecy, mystery, regeneration, and knowledge of time and eternity.



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Celebrating the Seasons: Hallows Eve October 24, 2009





by Sandra Stanton

Hallows Eve Ritual

Event Producers:

RA, Pythia, Morfreyja, Ananda, Caitlin, Inanna, Kamala, Xia

Pre-Ritual Activity - Contemplate Your Personal Word of Power Blessing - Kamala; Music: Draevyn, Altar Priestess: Caitlin Go To Ancestor Altar – Light a Candle to Honor Your Ancestors

Welcoming/Announcements - Morfreyja

Enter the Temple in Sacred Space

Opening - Hecate Chant by: Inkubus Sukkubus, Arrangement: Ananda

Sung by Goddess Choir with Temple Musical Ensemble Chant: Hecate Cerridwyn. Dark Mother, take us in. Hecate Cerridwyn, Let us be reborn. *Hecate*: RA *Veiled Dancers:* Candy Jo, Minni Jo, Kathryn, Ember Temple Serpents: Isis & Serapis; Serpent Dancers: Kamala, Haize

Grounding/Prayer - Xia

Wondrous Love by: William Wolff, Arranged by Jim Scott Sung by Temple Choir, Piano: Diana, Guit-jo: Dominic

Guiding Principles of Temple of the Goddess

Read by Temple Young People Lighting Altar Candles – Xia

All Souls Night by Loreena McKinnett Sung by: Anwyn with Temple Musical Ensemble Temple Dancer: Haize

Casting the Circle

Elemental Chant by Wendy Rule Sung by: Ananda, Morfreyja, Anwyn. Frame Drum: Ananda

East Mnajdra & Lianna South Inanna West Haize North Kamala Center Pythia

The Burning Times by Charlie Murphy

Sung by: David Jacks with Temple Musical Ensemble Choreographed by: Inanna; Dancers: Zach, Candy Jo, Jackson, Minni Jo, Anwyn, Inanna, Ember

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Honoring the Dead

Untitled Poem by Birago Diop; Read by Zachary Tatum-Nolan

Facilitators

Ananda Anwyn Briana Murrav Caitlin Candy Jo Dahlstrom **Christine Papalexis** Ember Knight Inanna Jackson Bradshaw Jeaninne Payne Kathryn Payne Kamala Lianna Nakashima Minni Jo Mazzola Mnajdra Morfreyja Pat Lentz Pythia RA Spencer Doughtie Taylor Doughtie Witch Haizel Zacharv Tatum-Nolan Xia Guest Priestess: Nancy Ann Jones

Temple of the Goddess Choir

Ananda Caitlin Jeaninne Payne Kathryn Payne MaLisa Martin Morfreyja Anwyn Christine Papalexis Julie Raftery Lianna Nakashima Mnajdra Silvana

Choir Director: Ananda

Music Directors: Ananda & David Jacks Temple Musical Ensemble: Ananda, Patrick Cleary, Draevyn, Diana Chuang, David Jacks, Greenman, Dominic Panzica, Katarina

Ritual Art Director: Ruth Ann Anderson, Altar Artist: Caitlin Choreograhy & Movement Director: Inanna Sets, Costumes, And Make-up, Masks (SCAMM): Pythia, Candy Jo, Anwyn, Jeaninne, RA Sacred Offerings Designed by: Morfreyja Sacred Offering Committee (SOC): Pythia, Anwyn, Draevyn, Saphyre, Roewan, Morfreyja, Lighting: Briana Murray, Spencer Doughtie Sound Artists: David Jacks & Van Webster Goddess Throne Created by: Fenton & Nancy Ann Jones Media Artists: Les Nakashima, Roger Nolan, Celia Sutton Savory Snacks Arranged by: Pat Lentz Temple Greenmen: Mancub, Greenman, James Bradshaw

Temple of the Goddess Liturgy Call and Responses

Opening the Circle

Celebrant: Ananda People: "Blessed Be You"

Spirits of Earth, the North We honor your gifts Blessed be You **Blessed Be You** Spirits of Water, the West We honor your gifts Blessed be You **Blessed Be You**

Spirits of Fire, the South We honor your gifts Blessed be You **Blessed Be You** Spirits of Air, the East We honor your gifts Blessed Be You **Blessed Be You**



Words by Ananda Music: EPITAPH OF SEIKILOS (Greek Skolion from a Greek grave stele from the first century CE)

Offering Thanks

Goddess Liturgy: Call and Response Celebrant: Ananda People: "We Remember You"

We offer our thanks Our hopes and our dreams To heal ourselves To heal the Earth We Remember You **We Remember You** In gratefulness In thankfulness To heal ourselves To heal the Earth We Remember You **We Remember You**

Words by Ananda Music: Classical Liturgy **Samhain** by Inkubus Sukkubus Sung by Anwyn, with Temple Musical Ensemble Temple Dancer: Minni Jo

I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

Spoken Word Goddess Liturgy by Xia & Pythia Call and Response (Text- Page 5)

Celebrant: Briana People: I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

We Are the Guardians: Hecate, Queen of Witches Written by: Xia; Directed by: Zachary Tatum-Nolan Guardians: Kathryn, Ember, Anwyn, Spencer, Taylor Cerridwyn: Morfreyja; Narrator: Christine Papalexis

Ritual Enactment Through Drum & Dance

As the myth comes to an end you will be invited to join us in dance, in movement, or sit in contemplation. Visit the altars, in any order you wish. Visit the Ancestor Altar to ask for guidance. Leave your personal Word of Power in the Cauldron of Community at the Witch's Hearth and sweep away anything negative from your life using the Witch's Broom. Visit Hecate in her Cave of Mystery and receive a special gift from the Goddess.

Grounding

Requiem by Eliza Gilkyson Sung by Temple of the Goddess Choir Piano: Diana Chuang

Communion

Lianna Nakashima – Communion Cookies "We partake of Her body and give thanks, in remembrance of Her never-ending Circle of Life."

Defying Gravity by Stephen Schwartz

Sung by Ananda, with Temple Musical Ensemble Temple Dancer: Candy Jo

Opening the Circle

Goddess Liturgy: Call and Response Celebrant: Ananda People: **"Blessed Be You"**

Offering Thanks

Goddess Liturgy: Call and Response Celebrant: Ananda People: **"We Remember You"**

Guiding Principles Temple of the Goddess

- ♦ We believe that every person is the living embodiment of the Divine and a manifestation of Divine Immanence.
- ✦ We respect that every person is their own spiritual authority and no one can define the Sacred and Divine for any one else.
- We recognize that there are many paths to the Divine, symbolized by the many "goddesses" and "gods" of all cultures and all lands.
- ✦ We support an ideology and spirituality of partnership of relations based on equality, reciprocity, and caring as opposed to domination and control.
- ✦ Though we recognize the Divine in many forms, the focus of that which we call the Divine is manifested in the feminine as "Goddess".
- ♦ We respect and love Mother Earth, Gaia, as a sacred entity who is part of and connected to a vast living cosmos. We believe She is immanent in all of nature, life, and the cycles of life. We honor the interdependence of the web of all existence of which we are each a strand.
- ★ We believe the loss of the feminine consciousness and ideologies have caused near irreparable damage to humanity and the planet; and we believe that emergence of the feminine consciousness, in balance with the masculine, is the greatest hope for humanity and the planet.
- ◆ The feminine consciousness is the ability to create, nurture and enhance life, and therefore respecting the feminine nature in all beings and in all aspects of life has the power to greatly enhance healing and our quality of life on this planet, and conversely, disrespecting the feminine has and can cause damage to all of life because of its interconnectedness.
- ✦ We accept the abundant goodness of creation which purports that all beings are meant to live in joy, love, and harmony.
- ✦ We believe in a morality and ethics in which the primary imperative is to harm none.

Together, We Are One.

Spoken Word Goddess Liturgy by Xia & Pythia

Celebrant: Briana Murray People: I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

I am the breath of life, The dawn of new beginnings. You are the power of word and song, Inspiration and spirit in flight. I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

I am the spark of life, The flame of creative desire. You are passion and regeneration, Fueling the fire of our hearts. I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

I am the blood of life, The ebb and flow of emotions. You are the tides of change, Courage in the face of all fear. I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

I am the body of life, Form and substance of Earth. You are mystery and manifestation, Ancient roots of wisdom and truth. I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.

We are the Oneness of Spirit. United by air and breath.

We are the Oneness of Spirit. United by passions aflame.

We are the Oneness of Spirit. United by heart and blood.

We are the Oneness of Spirit. United by Life and Love. I Am. You Are. Together, We Are One.