Tonight, we meet the Greek Goddess, Kore, as she contemplates her future, and the light of destiny beckoning her into the underworld. Does she face her fears, the voices of inadequacies that taunt her? Does she find the courage to step into the unknowable underworld of the unconscious?

With her companions, Psyche (soul) and the trickster Crow, Kore begins her quest, her journey, in search of her personal myth, the story that guides her to the light of destiny. The light of destiny, that calls each of us to do more, be more than we ever imagined.



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2011 Rituals

Spring Equinox
Summer Solstice
Autumn Equinox
Hallows Eve

March 19, 2011
Date & Location TBA
September 24, 2011
October 29, 2011

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Celebrating the Seasons: Hallows Eve October 23, 2010



Kore
by Corina Chirila

"The seasons and all their changes are in me."
-Henry David Thoreau.

Hallows Fve Ritual

Enter the Temple in Sacred Space

Pre-Ritual Activity: Write a Prayer honoring your ancestors. Go To Ancestor Altar: Place your prayer, candle, photo, or memento of your ancestors on the altar. Light a candle for your loved ones. Sugar Skulls Honoring Ancestors made by: Carolyn Potter, Nancy Ann Jones Altar Priestess: Caitlin

Welcoming/Announcements – Jeaninne Payne

Grounding/Prayer - Xia

Opening - Slow Down by: Wendy Rule Suna by Ervyka Jiminez with Temple Musical Ensemble Healing Dance Transmission: Kamala & Temple Serpents

Casting the Circle

The Circle is Cast by Robert Gass Based on Traditional Wiccan Invocation

Sung by Ananda, Temple Musical Ensemble

East Mnajdra & Lianna

South Xia West Swan North RA Center Pythia

Guiding Principles of Temple of the Goddess

Lighting Altar Candles - Xia

As Above So Below by Wendy Rule

Sung by Minni Jo Mázzola Temple Musical Ensemble Temple Dancer: Candy Jo Dahl

Invocation – Lochran

Wondrous Love by William Wolff, Arranged by Jim Scott Sung by Temple Choir, Eryyka Jiminez Temple Musical Ensemble

Witchwood by Strawbs

Sung by Ananda and Patrick Cleary Temple Dancer: Minni Jo Mazzola

Facilitators

Ananda Caitlin Carolyn Potter Kamala Lochran Mnajdra Patrick Humphrey RA

Briana Murray Candy Jo Dahlstrom Jeaninne Payne Lianna Nakashima Minni Jo Mazzola Nancy Ann Jones

Pythia

Zachary Tatum-Nolan

Xia

Temple of the Goddess Choir

Caitlin David Jacks Julie Raftery Lianna Nakáshima Patrick Cleary

Carolyn Potter Eryyka Jimenez Laura Jennings Mnaidra Swan

Ananda

Temple Musical Ensemble

David Jacks, Patrick Cleary, Ananda

Media Director: Charles "Beautyseer" Elliott Social Network Director: Joanne Elliott Ritual Art Director: Ruth Ann Anderson Choir Director: Ananda, Altar Artist: Caitlin

Music Director: Ananda

Choreograhy & Movement Director: Inanna **Temple Musical Ensemble**: Ananda, Patrick Cleary,

David Jacks

Sets, Costumes, And Make-up, Masks (SCAMM):

Candy Jo, RA, Xia, Victoria Wilson, Jeaninne Payne, Joanne Elliott

Lighting: Briana Murray, Kathy Doughtie Nolan,

Spencer Doughtie, Victoria Wilson Sound Artists: David Jacks & Van Webster

Goddess Throne Created by: Fenton & Nancy Ann Jones **Ancestor Step Altar Created by:** Scott Howey

Sacred Offering Giveaways by: Pythia, Xia Sugar Skull Ancestor Offerings made by:

Carolyn Potter, Nancy Ann Jones

Media Artists: Les Nakashima, Roger Nolan, Charles Elliott

Temple of the Goddess Liturgy Call and Responses

Opening the Circle

Temple of the Goddess Liturgy: Call and Response

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

Temple of the 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

The Dead Are Never Gone by Birago Diop

Spoken Word Piece - Zachary Tatum-Nolan

Kore and Psyche: Descent to the Dark

Written by: Xia; Directed by: Zachary Tatum-Nolan;

Kore: Briana Murray, Psyche: David Jacks Crow (Trickster): Patrick Humphrey Narrators: RA, Xia; Shaman: Lochran

Your Soul Is A Lantern In The Dark by: Wendy Rule; Sung by Ananda, Guitar: Patrick Cleary, Flute: Minni Jo

Mazžolá

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. Step into the underworld as you embrace the dark and receive Kore's guidance and a reminder of your true north. Visit the Wise Ones and receive a journal to chart your own personal myth in the coming winter. Dance your truth, your inner light. Dance your destiny. Come dance, dance. . . . dance.

Communion - Xia

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

Grounding - **Requiem** by Eliza Gilkyson Sung by Temple of the Goddess Choir Temple Musical Ensemble

Prosperity Blessing - Jeaninne Payne (Page 5)

Sound of Silence by Paul Simon Sung by Temple of the Goddess Choir Temple Musical Ensemble

Opening the Circle

Temple of the Goddess Liturgy: Call and Response

Celebrant: Ananda

People: "Blessed Be You"

Offering Thanks

Temple of the 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.

Prosperity Blessing

Today, I celebrate my harvest.
I nurture the new seeds I wish to grow.

Mother Earth gives of Herself as we give to Her.
I pray for happiness, wholeness, and abundance for myself and all living beings.
Goddess provides everything.
We feast at a bountiful table, and we offer this gift in thanks.

Blessed Be.

YOUR SOUL IS A LANTERN IN THE DARK

by Wendy Rule from Guided By Venus

You have been going through
A trial by fire
Everything you knew
Is burning away
Revealing what is true
Nothing is brighter
Than the soul that burns in you

Down in your deepest cave
I've seen you hiding
Trying to be brave
And I've seen you cry
Brave enough to feel
A heart that is beating
Opens to reveal

Your soul is a lantern in the dark Your soul is a lantern in the dark Your soul, your soul, your soul Is a lantern in the dark

Hope will return again
Rise like the Phoenix
Naked from the flame
Burn away the old
Liberate the new
Tell me my sister
Is there more that I can do?
Please tell me if there's more that I can do

Your soul is a lantern in the dark Your soul is a lantern in the dark Your soul, your soul, your soul Is a lantern in the dark