

Our Hallows myth is a modern retelling of the Germanic folk tale of Mother Hulda and the deep wisdom of Her eternal spinning and weaving. Like the Fates, Mother Hulda spins the threads of our destiny but She does not weave the rich tapestry of our lives . . . that we co-create with Her. At Spring we spun a green thread with the magic of intention; at Summer, a red thread with the thrumming power of passion; and at Autumn a rich thread of golden yellow filled with the magic of gratitude.

As we slow down and descend into the dark of winter, we call upon the magic and power of Gestation . . . the development of something over a period of time. Gestation is a great act of gathering power and information. Seeds resting in the dark soil of the Earth Mother are not inactive, they are developing, taking in nutrients, reshaping their future into what they will become. In harmony with the slow, deliberate rhythm of the Earth, we diligently begin to vision and weave the pattern of our 2015 life's tapestry with the precious threads of the season's magic.



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and our work growing and thriving.**

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Celebrating the Seasons:
Hallows Eve
November 1, 2014



Mother Hulda

Myth Magic: The Magic of Gestation

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

Hallows Eve Ritual

Enter the Temple in Sacred Space

Pre-Ritual Activity. Honoring our ancestors. What message would you like to send to your loved ones? *Go to the Ancestor Altar:* Leave a candle, photo, memento, and message on the Ancestor Altar. Altar Priestess: Caitlin. **PLEASE ENTER IN SILENCE**

Opening Processional - *Requiem* by Eliza Gilkyson

Sung by the TOG & CAC Choir; Led by Ananda & Tom,
Accompanied by Donar & Tom. Procession into Temple Sacred Space, Temple Serpents~Symbol of Regeneration~in Attendance

Welcoming/Grounding Meditation – Rev. Xia

Casting the Circle -*Circle Song* by Wendy Rule

Sung by Ananda

East	Mnajdra
South	Kitty
West	Tanya
North	Christine
Center	Pythia

Guiding Principles of Temple of the Goddess

Led by Kitty, Everyone (Text - Page 4)

Meditation for the Dark Led by Kamala

From *Anam Cara: A Celtic Book of Wisdom* by John O'Donohue

Samhain by Lisa Thiel

Sung by TOG & CAC Choirs, Temple Musical Ensemble

I am Creating My Life with Magic by Kamala & Rev. Xia

Spoken Word Goddess Liturgy, Call and Response (Text- Page 5)

Celebrant: Kamala with Ananda on Drum

People: **I am Creating My Life with Magic**

Witch's Rune by SJ Tucker, Sung by TOG & CAC Choirs

Temple Musical Ensemble

Prosperity Blessing -Rev. Xia, Everyone

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.

Facilitators

Adele Shakal	Ananda
Anya Bershatsky	Astara
Bohdi LaLa Rosen	Brita Richardson
Caitlin	CandyJo Dahlstrom
Carolyn Potter	Christine Papalexis
Essence Williams	Gina Shansey
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Joanne Elliott	Kamala
Kitty McCormick	Mark Bershatsky
Mnajdra	Prophet Silva
Pythia	RA
Satori Rosen	Tanya Baumgardner

Rev. Xia

Temple of the Goddess & Church of Truth Choirs

Amanda Sargenti	Anne Gauldin
Carolyn Potter	Christine Papalexis
Donar	Gary Mortimer
Jane Friday	Kieran Sala
Kitty McCormick	Stephanie Bertucci

Led by Ananda & Tom Armbruster

Temple Musical Ensemble

Tom Armbruster, Donar, Ananda
CAC Drummers led by Tom Armbruster

Temple Production Staff

Ritual Director: Kamala

Ritual Producers: Kamala, Pythia, Xia

Ritual Planning Committee: Ananda, Adele, Pythia,

Caitlin, RA, CandyJo, Kamala, Tanya

Music & Choir Director: Ananda

Ritual Art Director: Adele

Garden & Refreshment Set-Up and Decorations: Tanya

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

Programs: Miller Sherwood Printing, Mnajdra, Xia, Pythia

Altar Artist: Caitlin

Sacred Offering Giveaways by: CandyJo Dahlstrom

Goddess Throne Created by: Nancy Ann Jones, Fenton Jones

Marketing Director: Charles "Beautyseer" Elliott

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Media Artists: Les Nakashima, Charles Elliott

Temple of the Goddess Liturgy
Call and Responses

Opening the Circle

Temple of the Goddess Liturgy: Call and Response
Celebrant: Jane Friday
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: Jane Friday
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

Wondrous Love Traditional, Arranged by Jim Scoot
Sung by TOG and CAC Choirs

Communion - Rev. Xia, Communion Cookies
lovingly baked by the Richardson-Bershatsky Family
"We partake of Her body and give thanks,
in remembrance of Her never-ending Circle of Life."
Reprisal: *Wondrous Love*

Dante's Prayer by Loreena McKennitt
Sung by Ananda

Mother Hulda & The Magic of Gestation

Written & Directed by Kamala, Contributing Writer: Xia
Choreography: Haize Hawke; Shaman/Storyteller: Christine,
Crow: Gina, Mother Hulda: RA, Magda: CandyJo, Leena:
Satori; Chorus: Brita, Haize, Mother Hulda's Black Cats: Isis,
Mark, Anya, Essence, Prophet, Bodhi LaLa, Soundscape:
Ananda & Donar. **Lady of the Silver Wheel** by Damh the
Bard, Sung by Ananda, Piano: Ananda, Guitar: Donar

Ritual Enactment Through Drum & Dance (outside)

As the myth comes to an end, you will be guided to continue
the ritual outside (bring your valuables). Accompanied by the
Temple drummers, we invite you to join us in dance, in
movement and contemplation. Visit Mother Hulda and Magda
in the Moon Garden and receive their blessings and gifts.
Dance your divine journey into the dark. Weave your magic
into your dance as you move into the magical time of
gestation.

Ritual Drumming Led by Tom Armbruster

Hymn to Her by Meg Keene
Sung by Ananda on Harmonium
Dancers: Isis as Maiden, CandyJo as Mother, Kamala as Crone

Benediction: Rev. Xia

Opening the Circle

Temple of the Goddess Call and Response Musical Liturgy

Celebrant: Ananda
People: "**Blessed Be You**"

Offering Thanks

Temple of the Goddess Call and Response Musical Liturgy

Celebrant: Ananda
People: "**We Remember You**"

Guiding Principles
Temple of the Goddess

- ◆ We believe that every person is the living embodiment of the Divine.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 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. She is immanent in all of nature, life, and the cycles of life.
- ◆ We believe the 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.
- ◆ 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.

I Am Creating My Life With Magic

Call and Response

Spoken Word Goddess Liturgy by Kamala & Rev. Xia

Celebrant: Priestess or Priest

People: I Am Creating My Life with Magic.

I Am Creating My Life with Magic.
As the Wheel of the Year turns,
I invoke the Magic of the Seasons.
The power of intention, passion, gratitude, gestation.
With will, purpose, and determination I design my destiny.
I Am Creating My Life with Magic.

I Am Creating My Life with Magic.
As the Wheel of the Year turns, I invoke the Magic of Spring
I plant my Dream seeds in the fertile soil of the Mother.
Embracing my Intention, I await renewal and rebirth.
I Am Creating My Life with Magic.

I Am Creating My Life with Magic.
As the Wheel of the Year turns,
I invoke the Magic of Summer
With desire and the power of passion
I grow my garden with strength, fortitude, and resolve.
I Am Creating My Life with Magic.

I Am Creating My Life with Magic.
As the Wheel of the Year turns,
I invoke the Magic of Autumn.
With gratitude in my heart, I harvest the Garden of my Life.
I celebrate my bounty and gather the seeds of Magic.
I Am Creating My Life with Magic.

I Am Creating My Life with Magic.
As the Wheel of the Year turns,
I invoke the Magic of Winter.
I rest in the Stillness of the Dark, dreaming, gestating
I surrender to the Mystery, nourished in the Mother's arms.
I Am Creating My Life with Magic.

I Am Creating My Life with Magic.
As the Wheel of the Year turns,
I invoke the Magic of the Seasons.
The power of intention, passion, gratitude, gestation.
With will, purpose and determination I design my destiny.
I Am Creating My Life with Magic.