

SPRING 2021

Multi-Religious Calendar

The Campus Christian Center (CCC) cultivates radical hospitality and nurtures spiritual wellness by developing and nurturing an ecumenical Christian atmosphere; and facilitating interfaith education, conversation and engagement (an excerpt, see CCC website for full mission statement).

TUE, FEBRUARY 2: IMBOLC (Wicca)

The beginning of spring.

MON, FEBRUARY 8: SANGHA DAY (Buddhism)

Celebration honoring the Buddhist community.

MON, FEBRUARY 15: BUDDHA'S PASSING (Buddhism)

Mahayana festival commemorates the death of the Buddha.

TUE, FEBRUARY 16: VASANT PANCHAMI (Hinduism)

Holy day dedicated to Goddess Saraswati, patron goddess of knowledge, music, arts, science and technology.

WED, FEBRUARY 17: ASH WEDNESDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Day of fasting marking the first day of Lent which ends at Easter.

THUR- SUN, FEBRUARY 25-28*: AYYÁM-I-HÁ (Bahá'í)

Days of preparation for fasting, marked by hospitality and charity, taking care of the less-privileged and sick.

FRI, FEBRUARY 26*: PURIM (Judaism)

Commemorates the story of Esther.

MON, MARCH 1-FRI, MARCH 19*: NINETEEN DAY FAST (Bahá'í)

Sunrise to sunset fast accompanied by prayer and spiritual disciplines.

THUR, MARCH 11: MAHA SHIVARATRI (Hinduism)

Celebration of the wedding night of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati.

THUR, MARCH 11*: LAILAT AL MIRAJ (Islam)

Commemorates Prophet Muhammad's (PBUH) nighttime journey from Mecca to Jerusalem where he ascended to heaven, was purified, and given the instruction for Muslims to pray five times daily.

SAT, MARCH 20*: **NOWRUZ** (Bahá'í, Zoroastrianism)

First day of spring.

SUN, MARCH 21*: OSTARA (Wicca)

Celebrates first day of spring, the vernal equinox.

SUN-MON, MARCH 27-28: HOLI (Hinduism)

Celebration with colored powders, marking the advent of spring, Holi serves as a reminder that light will always overcome darkness.

SUN, MARCH 28-SUN, 4*: PASSOVER (Judaism)

Commemorates liberation of the Israelites by God from slavery in Egypt.

SUN, MARCH 28: PALM SUNDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Feast commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.



THUR, APRIL 1: HOLY THURSDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Commemorates Jesus' last meal with the Disciples.

FRI, APRIL 2: GOOD FRIDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Commemorates Jesus' crucifixion.

SUN, APRIL 4: **EASTER** (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

The celebration of Jesus' resurrection.

THUR, APRIL 8: YOM HA'SHOAH (Judaism)

Holocaust Memorial Day.

TUE, APRIL 13-TUE, MAY 11*: RAMADAN (Islam)

Month of fasting to commemorate first revelation of the Qur'an to Muhammad.

WED, APRIL 14: VAISAKHI (Sikhism)

Commemorates the establishment of the Khalsa (religious community of Sikhs) by Guru Gobind Singh.

TUE, APRIL 20-SAT, MAY 1*: RIDVÁN (Bahá'í)

Twelve-day festival celebrating the founder Bahá'u'lláh's declaration that he is a prophet of God.

WED, APRIL 21: RAMA NAVAMI (Hinduism)

A celebration of birth of Rama (incarnation of the God Vishnu).

SUN, APRIL 25: MAHAVIR JAYANTHI (Jainism)

Celebrates birth of Mahavira, the founder of Jainism

MON, APRIL 26: HANUMAN JAYANT (Hinduism)

Celebration of birthday of Hanuman, foremost devotee of Sri Rama and Sita.

FRI, APRIL 30: BELTANE (Wicca)

Celebrates life and fertility.

FRI, APRIL 30: LAG B'OMER (Judaism)

Celebrates anniversary of the passing of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai, author of the Zohar (text of Jewish mysticism).

SUN, MAY 2: PASCHA (Orthodox Christianity)

Celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

THUR, MAY 13*: EID AL-FITR (Islam)

The Festival of Breaking the Fast, marking the end of Ramadan.

THUR, MAY 13: ASCENSION DAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Celebrates the ascension of Jesus into heaven.

TUE-WED, MAY 17-18*: **SHAVUOT** (Judaism)

Festival commemorating the giving of the Torah at Mt. Sinai.

WED, MAY 18: BUDDHA'S BIRTHDAY (Buddhism)

Mahayana holiday commemorating the birth of the Buddha.

SUN, MAY 23: PENTECOST (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus.

SUN, MAY 23: DECLARATION OF THE BAB (Bahá'í)

Commemorates declaration of the Báb, the forerunner of Bahá'u'lláh the founder of the Bahá'í Faith.

FRI, MAY 28: ASCENSION OF BAHÁ'U'LLÁH (Bahá'í)

The anniversary of the death of the founder, Bahá'u'lláh.

^{*} Denotes holidays that begin at sundown the prior day.