



CAMPUS CHRISTIAN CENTER  
**INTERFAITH COMMUNITY**

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**Multi-Religious  
Calendar**

**AUTUMN 2021**

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*).

**SEPTEMBER 3: PARYUSHANA PARVA** (Jainism)  
Eight-day festival of forgiveness.

**SEPTEMBER 7-8\*: ROSH HASHANAH** (Judaism)  
Beginning of the Jewish Year and High Holy Days.

**SEPTEMBER 10: GANESH CHATURTHI** (Hinduism)  
Birthday of Lord Ganesha, god of wisdom, prosperity, and good fortune and the remover of obstacles.

**SEPTEMBER 16\*: YOM KIPPUR** (Judaism)  
Day of Atonement.

**SEPTEMBER 21-27\*: SUKKOT** (Judaism)  
The Feast of the Tabernacles.

**SEPTEMBER 22: MABON** (Paganism/Wicca)  
Celebrates the autumnal equinox through a ritual of thanksgiving for the fruits of the earth.

**SEPTEMBER 28\*: SHEMINI ATZERET** (Judaism)  
Marks the end of Sukkot.

**SEPTEMBER 29\*: SIMCHAT TORAH** (Judaism)  
Celebrates the conclusion of the annual cycle of public Torah readings and the beginning of a new cycle.

**OCTOBER 6-14: NAVRATRI** (Hinduism)  
Festival of nine nights celebrating the Goddess Durga.

**OCTOBER 15: DUSSEHRA** (Hinduism)  
Celebrates Lord Rama's triumph over evil King Ravana.

**OCTOBER 19\*: MAWLID AL-NABI** (Islam)  
Commemorates birthday of prophet Muhammad.

**OCTOBER 27: BUDDHA'S DESCENT** (Buddhism)  
Lhabab Duchen celebrates the descent of Buddha from heaven to earth.

**OCTOBER 31: SAMHAIN** (Paganism/Wicca)  
Festival honoring endings, beginnings and the dead.

**OCTOBER 31: REFORMATION DAY** (Protestant Christianity)  
Celebration of the onset of the Reformation.

**NOVEMBER 1: ALL SAINT'S DAY** (Christianity)  
Honors all the saints known and unknown.

**NOVEMBER 2: ALL SOUL'S DAY** (Christianity)  
Day of prayer for the dead.

**NOVEMBER 2-6: DIWALI** (Hinduism, Jainism, Sikhism)  
Festival of Lights.

**NOVEMBER 6\*: BIRTH OF THE BĀB** (Bahá'í)  
Celebrates the birth of the Báb, one of the founders of the Bahá'í Faith.

**NOVEMBER 7\*: BIRTH OF BAHÁ'U'LLÁH** (Bahá'í)  
Celebrates the birth of Bahá'u'lláh, the founder of the Bahá'í Faith.

**NOVEMBER 15: SHICHI-GO-SAN** (Shintoism)  
Celebrates the growth and well-being of young children.

**NOVEMBER 19: BIRTH OF GURU NANAK** (Sikhism)  
Celebrates the birth of the founder of Sikhism and the first of the Sikh Gurus.

**NOVEMBER 23: NIINAMESAI** (Shintoism)  
Harvest festival of thanksgiving.

**NOVEMBER 25\*: DAY OF THE COVENANT** (Bahá'í)  
Celebrates the appointment of 'Abdu'l-Bahá as the Center of Bahá'u'lláh's Covenant.

**NOVEMBER 27\*: ASCENSION OF 'ABDU'L-BAHÁ** (Bahá'í)  
Commemorates death of Abbas Effendi, known as 'Abdu'l-Bahá in 1921.

**NOVEMBER 28: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** (Christianity)  
Season of expectant waiting and preparation of the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas.

**NOVEMBER 29- DECEMBER 6\*: HANUKKAH** (Judaism)  
Festival of Lights commemorating rededication of Second Holy Temple in Jerusalem at time of Maccabean Revolt.

**DECEMBER 8: FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** (Roman Catholic Christianity)  
Celebrates the solemn belief in the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**DECEMBER 8: BODHI DAY** (Buddhism)  
Commemorates the day that the historical Buddha, Siddhartha Gautama (Shakyamuni), attained enlightenment.

**DECEMBER 15: ŚRĪMAD BHAGAVAD GĪTĀ JAYANTĪ** (Hinduism)  
Lord Krishna revealed the Bhagvad Gītā to Prince Arjuna.

**DECEMBER 21: YULE** (Paganism/Wicca)  
Winter solstice in the northern hemisphere.

**DECEMBER 25: CHRISTMAS** (Christianity)  
Celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

**DECEMBER 26: ZARATHOSHT DISO** (Zoroastrianism)  
Commemorates death of Zarathustra.

\* Denotes holidays that begin at sundown the prior day.

Some holidays require fasting and work restrictions. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to communicate with their instructor/supervisor if religious accommodations are required for their personal faith tradition.