## **ULLAMBANA SERVICE AUGUST 18 AT NOON**

Ullambana Day Service is on Sunday, August 18 at 12 noon this year. Please read the following description and decide if you would like to participate in this beautiful ritual.

It is in the nature of cyclic existence that what has gathered will eventually disperse. Parents, children, brothers, sisters, and friends - no matter how much one loves others, eventually all must separate.

This life is precious and fleeting. To Buddhists, however, death is not the end; it is simply the end of the body we inhabit in this lifetime.

Life continues. Our relatives and friends are still present to us not only in our hearts and memories, but also in flowers, the sky above, and the laughter of children.

The Ullambana day service is a rite and service for the dead and others missing from our lives. We wish them a rightful place among the living and release from suffering in their next rebirth.

Ullambana Day is an opportunity to:

- Honor with gratitude and love someone who was important
- Wish loved ones peace, happiness and spiritual growth in their new life.
- Heal troubled emotions and offer reconciliation for past conflicts.

Prior consultation and appointment are necessary; a \$30 donation is requested. Please see Haju Sunim or Maum for more information.