### INTERFAITH CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 23-29, 2021

# Sunday, September 19-Saturday, September 25

**Festival of Higan-e (to reach the other shore)**—(BUDDHISM, Mahayana – Jodo Shu)— starts three days before the Autumnal Equinox, and finishes three days after, continuing for a total of one week. It is a time to honor ancestors and to come together to chant the name of Amida Buddha (nembutsu).

# Sunday, September 26

**Mashiyyat (Will)**—(BAHA'I')—eleventh month of the Baha'i' year.

## Tuesday, September 21-Monday, September 27

**Sukkot**—(JUDAISM)—A pilgrimage feast and a time of thanksgiving, celebrates God's presence in creation and among the Jewish people. (Eve and First Day are non-working for Reform Jews; Eve and First and Second Days are non-working for Orthodox Jews.) (Begins at sundown on Monday, September 20.)

### **Tuesday, September 28**

**Shmini Atzeret**—(JUDAISM)—the eighth day of assembly, is a separate holiday concluding Sukkot and the entire fall holiday season. It marks the beginning of winter in the land of Israel. (Begins at sundown on Monday.)

# Wednesday, September 29

**Simhat Torah (Rejoicing of the Law)**—(JUDAISM)—is the beginning of the synagogue's annual Torah reading cycle. Reform Jews celebrate it along with Shmini Atzeret. (Begins at sundown on Tuesday.)

### **Month of September**

**Cenqolew (the Dog Salmon Return to the Earth)**—(ABORIGINAL SPIRITUALITY)— Saanich Peoples return the bones of the salmon to the sea, with thanks, in the belief that the bones will come to life and replenish the salmon stocks. (Coast Salish)

[One of the initiatives of the Interfaith Coalition of Washington County is a weekly Interfaith calendar - a listing of upcoming events and commemorations from religious traditions around the world. The listing is for the week ahead -- Thursday to the following Wednesday. It is to raise awareness of what is going on with practices in the many faiths of our world. For suggestions or additional input, contact Ed Poling at <a href="mailto:elpoling1@gmail.com">elpoling1@gmail.com</a>]

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