



# BTI - BCC Newsletter

July 2023 to September 2023



# Bharatiya Temple

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## Temple & Aarti Timings

<u>Temple timings:</u>			<u>Aarti timings:</u>	
<b>Weekdays</b> 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM			<b>Hindu Aarti</b> 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM daily	
<b>Weekends</b>			<b>Jain Aarti</b> 11:45 AM and 6:45 PM daily	
Mondays	Tuesdays	Fridays	Saturdays	Sundays
Shiva Abhishekam 7:15 PM	Hanuman Chalisa 7:15 PM	Lalitha Sahasranama 7:15 PM	Suprabhatam Venketeshwara Abhishekam Vishnu Sahasranama Stotram 9:00 AM	Lakshmi Narayan Abhishekam 10:00 AM

\*\*\* In the event of inclement weather, please check the website or call 215-997-1181 \*\*\*

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## “Support Your Temple” Campaign



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Please help your Temple by making recurring tax deductible donation of your choice by clicking the donate button below. These donations will help the Temple continue with daily pujas, programs and pay for monthly operating expenses. Your donation will also help Vidyalaya/Sunday school.

#### **Monthly Recurring Donation of Your Choice**

*You will be directed to secure Payment Website*



**\$20**

**\$50**

**\$100**

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The matching process can also be found on our website:

<https://b-temple.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/BCC-Corporate-Matching-Contribution-Process.pdf>

To view a List of Companies with Matching Gift Programs, you can visit:

<https://www.1800runaway.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/corporate-match-directory.pdf>

<https://doublethedonation.com/tips/matching-grant-resources/list-matching-gifts-companies/>

If your company matches, then please direct your donation to Bharatiya Cultural Center and follow up with your Company's HR department.

**Thanking you in advance for your support!!!**



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# Religious Committee - Hindu

## July 2023

Bharatiya Temple opens during the weekdays at 10am, and at 9am during the weekends. Nitya Pujas of Bhagawan, weekly Abhishek and monthly Abhishek of Navagrahas are performed regularly as per the schedule. Additionally, the following special programs were celebrated in Bharatiya Temple during July.

- July 1<sup>st</sup>: The month of July began with the auspicious Jaya Gauri Parvati Vrat celebrations. Celebrations lasted for 5 days. This Vrat is observed by unmarried women and young girls to get an ideal and devoted husband.
- July 2<sup>nd</sup>: Guru Purnima is observed on the full moon day during the Ashadha month. Lord Vishnu is the first Guru. He gave Vedas to the world. Bharatiya Temple celebrated Guru Purnima. Bharatiya Temple priests performed Satyanarayan Vrat Katha on Guru Purnima.
- July 9<sup>th</sup>: Singing Sunderkand, one of the popular regular monthly programs is typically done in Bharatiya Temple on the first Sunday of every month. The melodious sound of verses from Ramayan sung by the group of devotees on the beats of dholak / manjira is very soothing to ears. Many people hesitate to read Ramayana because of its large volume. As an alternative, many resort to reading Sunderkand. Therefore, it is said that wherever the sweet melodious words of Ramayana or Sunderkand are recited whole heartedly, Shri Hanuman ji appears and blesses the occasion.
- July 18<sup>th</sup> to August 18<sup>th</sup>: Purushottam Maas: Purushottam Maas is also known as 'Mal Maas'. The owner of this month is Maha Vishnu. Chanting Maha Vishnu's name and worshiping lord Vishnu during Purushottam Maas gives positive energy. Devotees performed chanting and worship during the month.

## August 2023

Purushottam maas was in progress at the start of August. Purushottam Sahasranamavali was recited every evening in the temple from August 1 to August 15. From August 16 onwards for the rest of the month Shravan maas was celebrated with daily Shiva Abhishekam by priests and devotees. Shravan Somwar celebrations were even more special and were attended by large crowds of devotees. On August 19 all day sweet bhajans were sung on the temple floor by the Bal Krishna Mandal. August 30 was the day for the Rig/Yajur Upakarma. On this day a havan is performed and devotees changes the



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### September 2023

In the month of September, we had Shiva abhishekam everyday at 5:30 PM till 14th to celebrate Shravan mass.

Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated with much enthusiasm. It started with Bhajans at 8 PM and at 11:30 Bal Krishna Aagaman and Janan puja was done, followed by Maha Mangal Aarti.

On 8th September Nand Mahotsav was celebrated with a fun activity of hitting the butter pot. Small kids enjoyed this event. Butter prasad was served after that.

The Ganesh Festival started on the 18th. All the devotees were excited to welcome Ganapathy Papa , homa was done to invoke the energy followed by Ganesh Parade with dancing and drums. Ganesh ji was decorated with different alankarams after the abhishekams during the 10 day festival. Maha Prasad was served during all 10 days and a variety of cultural programs happened during this event. In spite of rain Weekend activities were filled with participants and went well. We sent Ganapathi Papa for visarjan on 28th evening with drums and a variety of dances.

## Religious Committee - Jain

Jain community had a very nice celebration of Paryushan Maha Parva from Tuesday, Sept 12 to Tuesday, Sept 19. The significance of Paryushan is to cleanse oneself of all impurities, both physical and mental. During the festival, Jains observe a number of austerities, including fasting, meditation, and study of religious texts. They also avoid harming any living beings. The festival begins with the Pratikramana ceremony, in which Jains confess their sins and vow to refrain from committing them again. They also ask for forgiveness from those they have hurt knowingly or unknowingly.

On Saturday, Sept 16 during Paryushan the Jain Community celebrated Mahavir Jayanti and Swapna Darshan. Trishala Mata, the mother of Lord Mahavir had 14 dreams (Swapnas) when Lord Mahavir was going to be born. These dreams were indication that the child to be born to her would be very strong, courageous, and filled with virtues. Swapna Darshan was followed by Swamivatsalya (Maha Prasad) for over 200 devotees. Devotees donated very generously during the Paryushan Maha Parva and really enjoyed the celebration during 8 days of the event



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# Health & Human Services

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## **BCC HHS Mission**

To provide health related services to the community

- Create, maintain, and communicate health related information to educate the community
- Identify, plan, and implement professional medical seminars
- Organize health seminars/fairs, American Red Cross blood drives and Vaccine clinics
- Arrange training sessions on first aid, CPR, AARP driving courses

## **Blood Drive:**

BCC HHS team organized a Blood Drive at Bharatiya Temple on 26 Aug 2023. The team of volunteers made efforts to call donors and fill up all the slots available. We had a great donor turnout from both Temple devotees and mainstream community. A very big THANK YOU to all donors and Youth Lead Sneha Indrakanti and other youth volunteers for their efforts to recruit donors. We were able to collect 22 lifesaving pints of blood. Each pint of blood donated can potentially save 3 lives and in total this donation could save 66 lives. Every day, blood donors help patients of all ages. Blood transfusions are given to patients in a wide range of circumstances, including serious injuries (such as in a car crash), burns, surgeries, childbirth, anemia, blood disorders, cancer treatments, and many others. In fact, every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood.

HHS team organizes 4 Blood Drives throughout the year at Bharatiya Temple. This activity has been ongoing for >10 years and brings local community donors to the Temple. Each pint of blood donated can potentially save 3 lives and in total this donation could save

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<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=bharatiya>



A very big THANK YOU to all the donors, Volunteers and BTI management for supporting this life saving mission.

**Holistic Medicine & Heart-Healthy Lifestyle Discussion:** BTI/BCC conducted a unique program with Dr. Laxman Prajapat on July 08, 2023. Dr. Prajapat is a well-known Interventional and advanced heart failure cardiologist and an advocate of holistic medicine. Dr. Ravi Murarka arranged this visit by Dr. Prajapat. All attendees participated in Rajasthani

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& Hindi Bhajans before Dr. Prajapat's talk. His discussion on holistic medicine emphasized importance of spirituality, Bhajans and meditation on overall health. Dr. Ramesh K Adiraju, Dr. Sanjana Bhatia, Dr. Neelima Kute also participated in the Q&A Panel discussion.

**Updated 2023-2024 COVID-19 Vaccine:** COVID-19 vaccines protect against severe COVID-19-associated outcomes, including hospitalization and death. As SARS-CoV-2 has evolved, and waning vaccine effectiveness has been noted, vaccine formulations and policies have been updated to provide continued protection against severe illness and death from COVID-19. On September 11, 2023, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the updated (2023–2024 Formula) COVID-19 mRNA vaccines by Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech for persons aged  $\geq 12$  years and authorized these vaccines for persons aged 6 months–11 years under Emergency Use Authorization (EUA). On October 3, 2023, FDA authorized the updated COVID-19 vaccine by Novavax for use in persons aged  $\geq 12$  years under EUA. The updated COVID-19 vaccines include a monovalent XBB.1.5 component, which is meant to broaden vaccine-induced immunity and provide protection against currently circulating SARS-CoV-2 XBB-sublineage variants including against severe COVID-19-associated illness and death. On September 12, 2023, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommended vaccination with updated COVID-19 vaccines for all persons aged  $\geq 6$  months.

COVID infections are still around and people who are older, are immunocompromised, have certain disabilities, or have certain underlying health conditions continue to be at higher risk for serious illness. Vaccines are safe and effective and the best way to protect you and those around you from serious illnesses. BCC HHS will conduct COVID-19 and FLU Vaccine clinics. Please do watch out for the dates in the weekly e-mails from the Bharatiya Temple.

**Volunteers Needed:** We have a great volunteer team at the Temple, but need more volunteers to help with HHS and other temple activities, please reach out at [medibabu@yahoo.com](mailto:medibabu@yahoo.com) or signup @ [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc\\_7DvdFymbF-09L7XCIXLz-LwGklOMcRs7tayxFLxXc\\_n8-g/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc_7DvdFymbF-09L7XCIXLz-LwGklOMcRs7tayxFLxXc_n8-g/viewform)

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## Education Committee

Srimad Bhagavad Gita has been a source of inspiration and enlightenment for generations. The message of the Gita is not merely a general spiritual philosophy or ethical doctrine but it has a bearing upon the practical aspects of the application of such principles in our day-to-day lives. It is indeed "A Users' Manual for the Practice of the Art of Right Living". Gita study group: BTI is running every last Thursday of the month at 7 p.m., Gita study group with discussion through the help of Praveen Sharma. With Praveenbhai's help and his deep knowledge, we finished our first chapter with deep understanding and discussion. Gita is always ready to reveal fresh insight if we become receptive and perceptive. The devotees are getting an understanding and perception of our scriptures.

We had yoga and Meditation classes during August and September. The simplest benefits require only good concentration (called Dharana) to attain exceptional awareness. You can fulfill these intentions without changing your sense of self or identity. (What most people think of as meditation is actually concentration.

We had enormous success for Kavi Sammelan, on July 20, 2023. They were the best and audience was very happy with the show and food. People got to enjoy **GEET, GHAZAL, RIP-ROARING HUMOR & NONSTOP LAUGHTER WITH HEART WARMING RECITALS, during the stupendous "HASYA KAVI SAMMELAN"**. Gaurav Sharma of Mumbai hails from Rajasthan. He is the son of renowned Hasya kavi Shyam Jwalamukhi, and one of the most popular young humorists in India with over 2600 performances to his credit. Dr. Sarita Sharma of Delhi, a former advisor to the Ministry of Culture and Chairperson of Bharatendu Natya Academy in U.P. government, is a veteran Hindi poetess of *shringaar ras* genre. Sudeep 'Bhola' Soni, son of poet Sandeep Sapan, is a native of Jabalpur. He is a young talented poet who has established himself as a popular humorist. He is famous for his earthy wit and political satire and is celebrated for his entertaining melodies and parodies on social and political dissonance, including poems on Indian soldiers and martyrs, helpless farmers, and child labor.



## Education Committee



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## Cultural Committee

Onam celebrations are an important cultural festival in Kerala, and it's wonderful that the cultural committee actively participated with a Kerala group. The performances of traditional dances and songs have added a lot of color and vibrancy to the Onam festivities. The program ended with traditional Sadya. The Kerala sadya is a crucial part of Onam celebrations, and it's known for its delicious variety of dishes. It added an extra special touch to the festivities.



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## Women's Group

The BCC Women's Group hosted a Madhubani Workshop on August 27<sup>th</sup> in collaboration with Gautami Joglekar of Herbiznet and under the guidance of super talented Leena Nishakkar of Krutee Creations. The women showcased their awesome creativity and took home beautiful trays with vibrant colors and artwork.



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## Women's Group

The Women's Group Book Club continues to meet every other month. The Book Club members select the books to read and the discussion is held over a potluck lunch at the Temple. Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus was discussed on 17<sup>th</sup> August.



In response to popular demand, the Women's Group had added an Evening Book Club that is led by Poonam Gidwani. The Evening Book Club plans to meet during weekday evenings on alternate months and the first meeting was held on September 12<sup>th</sup> where Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus was discussed.



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The Women's Group is planning several events this year. Our next event is **Mehendi for Karva Chauth on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023**. In addition, we are planning to hold educational talks on women-focused health-related issues and financial management for women. We are also exploring opportunities where our group can volunteer.

To continue receiving updates about our upcoming events, please like us on our BCC Women's Group Facebook page or be part of the BCC Women's Group WhatsApp group, or sign up for the Temple emails.

We have a very talented and enthusiastic group of women in the Women's Group Committee who are wholehearted committed to the success of the mission of this group.

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# Youth Group

## Philadelphia Ganesh Festival

Youth Group members joined in large numbers to celebrate and volunteer during PGF. They were part of each committee and available wherever help was needed. Setting up chairs for the daily shows and for the prasad. making parathas and serving prasad to the devotees.

## Youth Group Elections

BCC Youth Group is planning to have elections soon and several new members are joining the team to assist and lead in future event planning along with existing leadership.

*Highlight of Spring Garba was amazing performances from a youth band call INDIUM*

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# Bharatiya Vidyalaya

189 students have registered at the time of this writing for 2023-24 Bharatiya Vidyalaya program (August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 thru May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024), the 19<sup>th</sup> year of successful operation of Bharatiya Vidyalaya. The number of students this year is almost the same (96%) as pre-COVID.

## A Typical Bharatiya Vidyalaya Sunday

Students start their Sundays at 9:30 AM with Yoga led by experienced volunteers. This is followed by prayers and Bhagavad Geeta chanting. Parents are encouraged to join the morning assembly along with students.

At 10 AM, students attend Hindu Religion classes for their respective age group. Jain students attend Jain Religion classes.

At 11 AM, students attend one of the seven language classes as per their preference of language. Gujarati, Hindi, Sanskrit, Tamil and Telugu language classes are further split into 2 or 3 sections based on proficiency of students. Kannada and Marathi have one section each. We are ready to start Bengali from November 5<sup>th</sup> as the eighth language provided 6 or more students register.

On a few Sundays, Culture classes are scheduled instead at 10 AM and 11 AM. The schedule for the year is finalized in advance.

At noon, students attend Aarati upstairs. After the Aarati, over 30 students attend the music (group singing) class. Over 30 participate in Bhagavad Geeta chanting classes at the same time.

Students enthusiastically participate in the program conducted by hardworking volunteers. Students and parents find the Bharatiya Vidyalaya program engaging and beneficial.

From 10 AM to 12 PM, 20+ parents join the Bhagavad Geeta discussion group. Dedicated volunteers knowledgeable on the subject moderate the group. The group is currently studying Bhagavad Geeta chapter 2. Chapter two is often deemed as a summary to the entire Geeta. In this chapter, Arjuna accepts the position as a disciple of Lord Krishna and requests the Lord to instruct him in how to dispel his lamentation and grief. Verse 48 in

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the chapter provides the definition of Yoga.

## समत्वं योग उच्यते

Equanimity is called yoga.

Lord Krishna explains that *samatvam* is balance of mind in success and failure, gain and loss, pleasure, and pain. A yogi should be able to stay composed in all circumstances.

Simultaneously at 10 AM, 10+ parents attend a meditation session for parents.

### Volunteers

Bharatiya Vidyalaya program for 2023 is run by 50+ teaching volunteers and 10+ non-teaching volunteers. All volunteers actively maintain their required compliance as per the law for volunteering in Pennsylvania. During Q3, the main focus is acquainting students with the basics of religion, culture and language as per their level of understanding.

New volunteers in their first one or two years are paired up with experienced volunteers for orientation.

### Senior Students

As part of the *Senior Student* program, 9<sup>th</sup> grade and above students are provided an opportunity to learn how to teach a class by pairing them up with adult volunteers. This year, ten students have been assigned the role of *Senior Students*. A *Senior Student* helps with teaching one subject (for example, Religion) and attends classes for the other two subjects as a student (in this example, Culture and Language).

### Library

Bharatiya Vidyalaya library was shut down for two years during the COVID period. A dedicated group of volunteers reactivated the library a year ago. Parents borrow books from the library for their family.

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# Bharatiya Vidyalaya

## Expenses

Bharatiya Vidyalaya volunteers are extremely conservative with expenses. The only significant expense is the cost of text books and bag, which is less than 10% of the fee parents pay. Hindi, Sanskrit and Tamil are relatively more expensive books. These more expensive books are paid for in full by parents. Additionally, volunteers and parents donate generously to cover most, if not all expenses for occasional food sponsoring, web site hosting and other expenses required for running the Vidyalaya activities.

## Special Programs during Q3-2023

### Summer Program: Monday thru Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

Dedicated volunteers conducted 5-day long 8 hours per day in-person Summer Program.

21 Students registered for the program. They enjoyed Yoga, visits to the Temple upstairs, chanting prayers, storytelling, participation in arts and craft, introduction to Indian spices and cooking, playing musical chairs and cricket, and participation in other engaging activities. Parents appreciated the program.

### Open House for Parents and Students: Sunday, 9/10

Volunteers introduced themselves and their activity to parents and students in the Open House. They addressed questions from parents about the program. Students, parents and volunteers exhibited enthusiasm for the program.

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# Bharatiya Vidyalaya

## **Dance by Bharatiya Vidyalaya Students in PGF Procession: September 18<sup>th</sup>**

16 students, trained by enthusiastic volunteers participated in the Bharatiya Vidyalaya dance program during Philadelphia Ganesh Festival procession.



*Vidyalaya Students put up a dance program during Philadelphia Ganesh Festival on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023*

## **Bharatiya Vidyalaya Stall during Philadelphia Ganesh Festival: September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**

In spite of intermittent rains, Kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade students managed Bharatiya Vidyalaya stall under the guidance of adult volunteers. 15 Students participated in running the stall. Students prepared trivia for visitors. Additionally, they talked about Bharatiya Vidyalaya program to visitors and answered questions.

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## Becoming a Member of BTI / BCC



Membership Categories	
Annual Membership	\$100
Life Member	\$1,200
Patron	\$5,000
Grand Patron	\$10,000
Senior Trustee	\$25,000

### Benefits of becoming a Trustee, Patron or Life Member

- All mailings including Brochures, newsletters and calendar.
- Complementary Pujas performed at the temple for you and your family member on birthdays.
- Discounted or complimentary admission to selected events.
- One time per calendar year, receive a 20% discounted fee for Hall rental (Max discount of \$100)
- Eligible for Board of Director's position.

**All donations to Bharatiya Temple and Bharatiya Cultural Center are tax deductible!**

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For additional information regarding membership and to download application forms, please visit the Temple website.



## Puja Request

To schedule a Puja or inquiries pertaining to this, please contact:



Ramana Kanumalla  
267-396-PUJA (7852)  
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If you are requesting specific priests for your puja, this will only be confirmed by Ramana Kanumalla and not by the priests themselves.



Please keep in mind that:

- All services (except Archana, Abhishekam & Vehicle Puja) must be scheduled in advance.
- All private puja services are charged on an individual puja basis.
- Mileage charges will apply for all outside pujas.

For a complete list of Pujas and prices, please visit the temple website.

## Volunteers Needed

The Temple is always in need of help and volunteers! If there is a committee that interests you, please reach out to the respective chairperson. If there is an event that you would like to help out in, please refer to the respective flyer and get in touch with the contact person(s) listed. If you can only volunteer for a day or even a few hours, it will be greatly appreciated! Please reach out to the contact person for the event based on your availability.



# Bharatiya Temple Hall Rental Information

For Hall Rentals or inquiries pertaining to this, please contact:



**Dixal Patel**  
**610-291-7493**  
**hall@b-temple.org**



<b>Hall Rental</b>	\$600 for 4 hours + \$100/additional hour (Fridays evenings, Saturdays, Sundays & Holidays) <u><b>OR</b></u> \$400 for 4 hours + \$75/additional hour (weekdays)
<b>Education Room Rental</b>	\$100 for 2 hours + \$50/additional hour (Friday evenings, Saturdays, Sundays & Holidays) <u><b>OR</b></u> \$50 for 2 hours + \$25/additional hour (weekdays)
<b>Kitchen Rental</b>	\$75 for warming food. Food cooking is not permitted.
<b>Audio Equipment Rental</b>	<u>Basic Package</u> —\$75 (includes 1 wireless and 2 wired mics, connection for laptop or phone) <u>Enhanced Package</u> —\$250 (includes 1 technician and use of all audio facilities for 4 hours., \$50/hour extra thereafter)
<b>Wedding</b>	\$1,300 for all day—includes access to kitchen and Basic Package for audio equipment rental
<b>Cleaning</b>	\$100—this includes sweeping and mopping only; you still have to pick up trash
<b>Discounts (once/year)</b>	20% or maximum \$100 for Life Members of BTI/BCC (once/year) 20% or maximum \$100 for nonprofit organizations (once/year) 10% or maximum \$100 for annual members of BTI/BCC (once/year)

For additional information or to download the rental agreement, please visit the Temple website.

## About BTI / BCC

### Mailing Address

P.O. Box 463  
Montgomeryville, PA 18936

### Physical Address

1612 County Line Road  
Chalfont, PA 18914

**Phone:** 215-997-1181

**Email:** [info@b-temple.org](mailto:info@b-temple.org)

### Priest services:

Ramana Kanumalla  
267-396-7852  
[priest@b-temple.org](mailto:priest@b-temple.org)

### Hall Rental

Dixal Patel  
610-291-7493  
[hall@b-temple.org](mailto:hall@b-temple.org)

### Temple Priests



**Sri. Vishnuji  
Parshad Vassyal**



**Sri. Seshasai  
Rompicharla**



**Sri. Umamaheshwara  
Shivam**



**Sri. Nikul  
Prasad Joshi**

## Connect with the Community and the Temple

### Bharatiya Temple App

You can download this **FREE** app by simply scanning the barcode or by searching "Bharatiya Temple" in iTunes (Apple) or Play Store (Android).

With this app you can easily view upcoming events, view monthly calendar, request hall rental, request priest services, listen to bhajans, post pictures, send a message, etc.

If you choose to receive notification, you will receive real-time information about parking situation at the temple, temple closings due to inclement weather and reminders about special events at the temple.



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