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2018 UPAKARMA (AAVANI AVITTAM)

At SRI LAKSHMI TEMPLE

RIG Veda UPAKARMA

On August 25 (Saturday)

6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. (No homam)

YAJUR Veda UPAKARMA

On August 26 (Sunday)

Upākarma is conducted once a year during the shravana or Dhaniṣṭhā nakṣatra of the Hindu calendrical month Śrāvana. This helps Hindus ritually change their upanayana thread accompanied by relevant śrauta rituals, making śrāddha offerings to the rishis, whom Hindus believe composed the Vedic hymns. The day, also called Śrāvana Pūrṇima "Full Moon of Śrāvana" in other parts of India, usually occurs the day after the Śravana nākṣatra, which also marks the Onam festival of Kerala.

Devotees who wish to use the services of our learned temple priests can visit the temple according to their convenience on **Sunday August 26, 2018** at any of the following times:

Batch 1 - 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. (No homam)

Batch 2 - 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (No homam)

Batch 3 - 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (With Homam)

Sponsorship: \$50 (Which include light breakfast after the event)

Note: Devotees are requested to come with appropriate dress (Dhoti and Angavasthrum) and bring Pancha Pathram, Uddharani, Deep Plate & Pot / Vessel.

Brahmacharis and who does first time Upakarma (recommended to come for 8:00 AM Batch) should bring Coconut, Flowers and Fruits.

Priest / Acharya Sambhavana at your discretion

On August 27 (Monday)

GAYATHRI JAPAM

Scheduled to begin with homam around **6 a.m.** at temple

***May the blessings of Sri Lakshmi be always with you
and your family.***