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Sri Venkateswara Temple (Balaji Mandir) and Community Center

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ANNAPRASADAM

*Gaja Turaga Sahasram / Gokulam koti dAnam / Kanaka Rajatha pAtram / Medini
sAgarAntham / Ubhaya kula vishudham / Koti kanya pradAnam / Nahi Nahi bahu dAnam/
AnnadAnam samAnam //*

Even if one gifts 1000 elephants and horses or 10 million cows or any number of gold and silver vessels or the entire land that spans till the sea or offers the entire services of the clan or helps in the marriage of 10 million kanyas (brides), all this is never equal to annaprasadam (gifting food).

*Oshadhi Vanaspathibirannam Bhavatyannena PrAnaha / Pranairbalam Balena Tapas
Tapasa Shraddha // Shraddhaya Medha MedhayA ManishA ManishayAMano / Manasa
Shanthihi //*

Annam is prepared from trees bearing fruits, leaves, seeds and flowers. Annam forms prana (life), prana leads to strength, strength leads to tapas (meditation), tapas leads to shraddha, shraddha leads to medhas, medhas leads to buddhi, buddhi leads to manas and manas ultimately gives shanti (peace).



Annaprasadam was discontinued during the pandemic. The Temple is now resuming Annaprasadam with the upcoming festivals: Ugadi, Srirama Navami and Tamil New Year.

The temple is accepting donations for Annaprasadam and donors contributing \$100 or more will be recognized with their names displayed on the temple notice board on the day of Annaprasadam. Donations can be made via online, by phone or mailing out a check. Please contact temple office for more information to be part of this divine event.

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