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## MARCH 2019

### SUNDAY 11.00AM

- Mar 3 Isvara Gita  
(by Guest Speaker)  
Mar 10 Sri Ramakrishna and Girish Ghosh  
(Birth Anniversary Special Service)  
Mar 17 Ask Swami  
(Satsang with Sw. Sarvapriyananda)  
Mar 24 Maya  
Mar 31 Nondualism – Being and Manifestation

### TUESDAY 7.30PM

Meditation and Study of  
**THE GOSPEL OF SRI RAMAKRISHNA**

### WEDNESDAY 4.00PM

Vedanta Study Group  
**MANDUKYA KARIKA**

### FRIDAY 7.30PM

Meditation and Study of  
**BHAGAVAD GITA**

### DAILY MEDITATION 6.30 PM

Vesper service (prayer)  
followed by meditation



### GUEST SPEAKER

**Mar 3, Sunday at 11AM**  
**Prof. Andrew Nicholson**  
Princeton University  
will speak on  
"Isvara Gita"

### SPECIAL SERVICE

**Mar 8, Friday at 8AM**  
**BIRTHDAY OF SRI RAMAKRISHNA**  
Special worship of Sri Ramakrishna  
followed by flower offering,  
music and prasad.

**Mar 10, Sunday at 11AM**  
**SRI RAMAKRISHNA'S BIRTH ANNIVERSARY**  
Swami Sarvapriyananda  
will speak on  
"Sri Ramakrishna and Girish Ghose"  
Special Music by VSNY Choir  
and congregation



“... Bondage and liberation are of the mind alone. The mind will take the color you dye it with. It is like white clothes just returned from the laundry. If you dip them in red dye, they will be red. If you dip them in blue or green, they will be blue or green. They will take only the color you dip them in, whatever it may be...”

“... A man is free if he constantly thinks: 'I am a free soul. How can I be bound, whether I live in the world or in the forest? I am a child of God, the King of Kings. Who can bind me?' If bitten by a snake, a man may get rid of its venom by saying emphatically, 'There is no poison in me.' In the same way, by repeating with grit and determination, 'I am not bound, I am free', one really becomes so-one really becomes free...”

- The Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna, pp. 138

★ ALL ARE WELCOME ★