



Happy Thanksgiving

Mt Gideon Baptist Church News for Children— November 2019 Edition

November Is a Time for Thanksgiving

Why Do We Feast and Give Thanks?

Long ago, in the early 1600s, a group of people in England wanted to pray and worship God in their own way. The King controlled the Church of England, and everyone was ordered to go to the same type of church. Anyone who dared to disobey would be sent to jail.

The group of people who wanted to free the Church of England from the King's rule, making it "pure" were known as the Puritans. To escape the rule of the King and his church, around 100 men, women and children left their homeland, with their dream of religious freedom. They sailed on a ship, the Mayflower—on a pilgrimage to the New World.

The first year in their new home was hard for the Pilgrims. Many died. With seeds and plants received from the Native Americans, the Pilgrims planted crops. The fall harvest was a good one. To celebrate their good fortune, the Pilgrims had a feast of thanksgiving.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever"
I Chronicles 16:34

What's Happening?

- ☺ Youth Choir Rehearsal Dates - Wed Nov 20th
- ☺ Tutoring every Wednesday from 6pm-7pm
- ☺ Thanksgiving Meal for the Elderly— Nov 8th (tentative)
- ☺ Thanksgiving-Nov 28th

What are The Children of Mt Gideon Thankful For?

"I'm thankful for my church family "

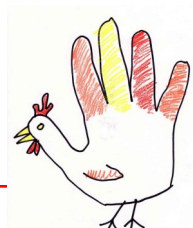
-Presley Harris, Age 7

"I'm thankful for my Mom!"

-Jazmyne Franklin, Age 7

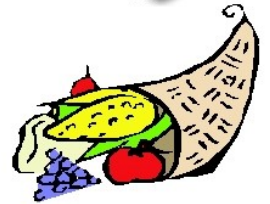
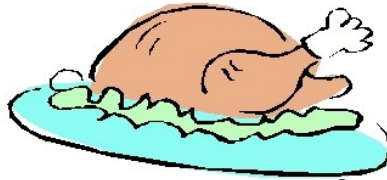
"I'm thankful for my parents"
Paige Harris, Age 9

"I'm thankful for my friends and my family"-Kaylie Green, Age 8



"I'm thankful for my Parents, my brother Tyriec and my MawMaw"
-Jaymee Franklin, Age 8

Thanksgiving

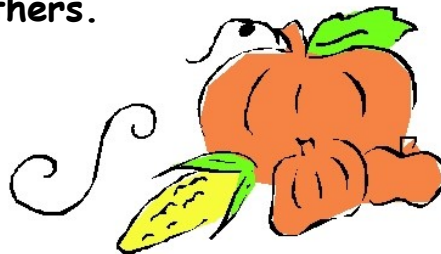


Short Story on Gratitude

When Mrs. Klein told her first graders to draw a picture of something for which they were thankful, she thought how little these children, who lived in a deteriorating neighborhood, actually had to be thankful for. She knew that most of the class would draw pictures of turkeys or of bountifully laden Thanksgiving tables. That was what they believed was expected of them.

What took Mrs. Klein aback was Douglas's picture. Douglas was so forlorn and likely to be found close in her shadow as they went outside for recess. Douglas's drawing was simply this: A hand, obviously, but whose hand? The class was captivated by his image. "I think it must be the hand of God that brings us food," said one student. "A farmer," said another, "because they grow the turkeys." "It looks more like a policeman, and they protect us." "I think," said Lavinia, who was always so serious, "that it is supposed to be all the hands that help us, but Douglas could only draw one of them."

Mrs. Klein had almost forgotten Douglas in her pleasure at finding the class so responsive. When she had the others at work on another project, she bent over his desk and asked whose hand it was. Douglas mumbled, "It's yours, Teacher." Then Mrs. Klein recalled that she had taken Douglas by the hand from time to time; she often did that with the children. But that it must have meant so much to Douglas ... Perhaps, she reflected, this was her Thanksgiving, and everybody's Thanksgiving—not the material things given unto us, but the small ways that we give something to others.



Activities

Word Scramble

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Recipe of The Month

Taco Pizza

Ingredients

- 1lb ground meat
- 1 pack of taco seasoning
- 1 (10oz) can of pizza dough
- 3 Cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 Cup chopped tomatoes
- 1/4 Cup sliced black olives
- 4 green onions chopped



1. Heat oven to 375 degrees.
2. Brown meat, drain fat, mix in taco seasoning
3. Spread out pizza dough over a cookie sheet or casserole dish and bake for 8-10, remove from oven
4. Spread the ground meat over the crust, then add the cheese. Top with the tomatoes, black olives and green onion
5. Return to oven, bake another 5-7 minutes or until cheese is melted. Serve hot, Enjoy!

Think About It, Do It!



Think about the things you are thankful for and how God has blessed you. Think of ways you can be a blessing to others this season and everyday.

BY GIVING
SERVICE
TO OTHERS,
I GIVE
SERVICE
TO GOD.

Take photos of yourself as you are helping someone or serving in your community and submit your photos so we can share it in the newsletter.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms"
- 1 Peter 4:10

Have a Blessed and Safe
Thanksgiving!
Pastor Calvin Willis,
First Lady Sallie Willis,
Breanna & Thomas

- Sunday School starts at 9:45am—Breakfast is served afterwards on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays
- If you need a ride to Sunday School, please sign up in the dining area and also notify one of the Deacons
- Are you interested in singing in the Youth Choir? Speak with Bro Daniel or any youth Sponsor
- Tutoring is every Wednesday from 6pm-7pm. Please notify Sis Sallie if you are interested or have questions.
- If you have any ideas for the next youth activity, notify your Sunday School Teacher
- Please submit any ideas for the Children's Newsletter to Sis Shawnette
- If you have something that deserves recognition, let us post it in next month's newsletter!!

Notes
and
Reminders

