



“ FALL - PREPARATION FOR NEW GROWTH ”

Of the 4 seasons we experience each year, Fall

is easily my favorite. Maybe it is that the weather is cooling off a little bit more with each passing day. Maybe it is the anticipation of the holidays. And, well, being honest, I mostly enjoy Fall because of football season.

But Fall is also a season of preparation. Some animals are storing up food for the winter and/or preparing for hibernation during the colder months. Leaves change color and fall off of the tree in preparation for the new growth of the Spring. For many people, the Fall is the final scramble to accomplish any New Year’s Resolutions from the previous January that have been left undone thus far, allowing space to focus on the next year’s resolutions.

The imagery of leaves falling is a great reminder of how Fall continues to be a season of preparation for Haymarket Baptist Church. In all the stress and grief that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused, there is some grace in the chaos. Yes, it is true that many church programs have been forced to adjust to accommodate social distancing guidelines. Others have been cancelled altogether as we await a more familiar church experience to re-emerge.

But, just like leaves must fall of the tree for new leaves to grow, the changes forced by the COVID-19 pandemic might lead to new growth that we could

never have imagined. Sunday School teachers have remarked that there is more consistent participation over zoom because attendance is not as impacted by out of town travel. It sounds like options to connect with a Sunday School class virtually are here to stay.

So as we continue through this Fall season, let us reflect on what has been pruned back during the COVID-19 pandemic. What church programs might emerge as new growth in the open space that is left? I remain excited to see what God will continue to do through this congregation.

Allan Smith

Associate Pastor for Community Outreach
Haymarket Baptist Church

DEACON’S BENCH



Sharpening Your Reasoning Skills

Talk about deep thoughts.....

Remember four years ago when our Wednesday night Prayer meeting and Bible study group was unanimously voted on the Pastor Search Survey as one of the best and most fun groups at our church? Gosh, we experienced so many serious deep discussions. I remember the biblical topic of

forgiveness and it truly was one of the most spiritually invigorating and therapeutic sessions I have ever had the privilege to be involved with. Thirty-four weeks ago, the arrival of COVID-19 put a damper on our socializing and our learning together. Learning from one another is a way to share our faith. Jesus used parables to communicate faith. Here are some examples for you to discern for yourself:

- ❖ One day, Peter asked Jesus, *“Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?”* (Matthew 18:21, NLT). The disciple may have been fishing for praise. In the eye-for-an-eye culture of the ancient world, his offer to forgive seven times might have seemed especially generous. But if so, his self-satisfaction was short-lived. *“No, not seven times,”* Jesus answered, *“but seventy times seven!”* (Matthew 18:22, NLT). He then told a story about a king who decided to settle his accounts with servants who had borrowed money from him. He sent for a debtor who owed millions of dollars. When the man informed the king that he couldn’t repay what he owed, the king ordered the man, his entire family, and all of his possessions sold in order to pay the debt. The man begged the king for patience and promised to repay what he owed. The king showed mercy and forgave his multimillion-dollar debt. The man promptly left the king and went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. The man demanded immediate payment. The other servant begged the man for patience and promised to repay the comparatively small amount he owed. The first man ignored his pleas and had him thrown in jail until his debt was paid. The king heard what the man had done and sent for him. *“You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me. Shouldn’t you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?”* (Matthew 18:32-33, NLT).

Jesus invited His followers to draw their own parallels between the king’s willingness to forgive

his servants and God’s willingness to forgive His people. Jesus also encouraged the disciples to think about their own responsibility to forgive others in light of the forgiveness they had received. In short, Jesus refused to quantify forgiveness in the way Peter requested. Instead, He challenged His followers to contemplate the issue on a much more personal level.

- ❖ On another occasion, an expert in religious law challenged Jesus’ message of loving one’s neighbor as one’s self. *“Who is my neighbor?”* (Luke 10:29), the man wanted to know. In response, Jesus told the story of a Jewish man who was robbed and beaten by bandits on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. The first person to come upon the half-dead man lying in the road was a Jewish priest who promptly crossed to the other side of the road and kept walking. The second person was a temple assistant who walked over, looked at the injured man, and then kept walking. The third person to come upon the scene was a Samaritan – someone the injured Jewish man would have despised and mocked as a half-breed. The Samaritan tended the injured man’s wounds, lifted him to his donkey, and transported him to an inn, where he could be cared for. The Samaritan gave the innkeeper two silver coins to pay for the man’s stay and promised to pay more later if the man needed to stay longer.

Jesus turned the question back on the religious law expert (who, incidentally, almost certainly despised Samaritans): *“Which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?”* (Luke 10:36, NLT). Jesus’ piercing question compels all his followers to carefully consider what it means to truly *“love your neighbor.”*

The Gospels record more than three dozen parables of Jesus, each one challenging in its own way. The portrait they paint is of a man who did not spoon-feed answers to His followers. Jesus used

parables to communicate truth. He left it to His followers to find their application. Though this approach almost certainly frustrated His disciples from time to time. It also sharpened their wits and deepened their understanding of His teachings. Jesus' methods, as described in the Gospels, seem to fly in the face of those who claim that people have to check their brains at the door in order to follow Jesus.

The 2020/2021 Deacons' theme of the year is, "*My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.*" (John 15:12). Let us all prayerfully remember this as we debate, discuss, forgive, discern, and accept one another. We are all in the same boat; we all have our own struggles during this time of uncertainty and strife. Have faith that God is close to us in these days, and so is our church family, even if it is virtually.

Rev. Ruth Anne Sawyer, Vice-Chair
Deacon of the Month for November

A NOTE TO MY HBC FRIENDS



I hope you are all enjoying our Pastor's sermons on the hymns.

My favorite verse is from last Sunday's Christmas hymn. I quote:

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep
God is not dead, nor does He sleep
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail with
Peace on earth, goodwill to men.
I find as a singer, music soothes the soul.

Ruth Nagy



Merry Christmas! We've been waiting a whole year to say that. That's what happens when there's a church committee that only has something to do at Christmas. But don't worry. We stay busy planning things for this most joyous time of year.

We are preempting your regularly scheduled Thanksgiving celebration because this year Advent begins in November. It is after Thanksgiving, but it is *still* in November. The first Sunday of Advent is November 29th, but there are other Christmas activities that happen even *before* that.

- **Operation Christmas Child** collection began October 11th. The collection will end Sunday, November 15th. Boxes will be delivered on Monday, November 16th to the distribution center.
- **Angel Un-Trim-A-Tree** effort will begin on Sunday, November 22nd. Gifts are due back to the church by December 13th.
- **Christmas tributes and memorials** begin Sunday, November 22nd. All donations must be received by the church office by Monday December 6th. All monetary donations in memory or in honor of a loved one will go to HopeTree Family Services.
- **Hanging of the Greens** and decorating the Chrismon Tree and will take place Nov. 28th.
- **White Christmas** is Dec. 6th. Please bring a canned or boxed good for our church pantry ministry effort that will provide food for struggling families this Christmas.

Okay, so the last one is in December, but we wanted you to have time to go shopping. Stay tuned because we have a lot more planned for December to help you celebrate the birth of the Christ Child.

Christmas Committee



CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

November is a great month, especially when you have children. The excitement of visiting family for Thanksgiving starts revving up; the giddiness and the Christmas wish lists start forming (and possibly getting longer and longer) and it's the start of a busy yet magical time of year. As with everything else this year, the holidays may look different, but there is still magic to be made and had – even when it's different! What magic are you and your family going to make this month?

Thank you to those of you who joined us for the pumpkin painting party outside on the grass last month! We would love to know who you shared your pumpkin with and how happy you made some beautiful person with your creative artwork! Please share your story with us on Facebook.

Speaking of Facebook, we are continuing to share short Children's Sunday School videos each week on the Haymarket Baptist Church's Facebook Page. I normally try to upload them on Saturdays, however, due to our internet limitations, some weeks they get posted later. But never fear – I promise they will get loaded (even if I have to swing by Vicki Bayol's house to use her network like last month) so keep checking back.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! We know it will be just as memorable as every other year because you can never go wrong with family and pumpkin pie!

Christy Wisor
Children's Committee Chairperson

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We continue to meet by Zoom each Monday

morning at 10AM. We have been blessed to have more to come by Zoom. Grateful for their attendance that way. Know there are some who are not comfortable to do that, and I understand, but miss "seeing" you. Hope you are getting the email notes about the lessons, and if you are not, please let me know.

We are studying the Book of Proverbs and have just finished lessons laying the foundation of and importance of Wisdom in our lives.

A number of us met at the Northern Fauquier Community Park for a Bag lunch and had a great time of fellowship together and meeting Pastor Allan Smith. Susie Bailey even went down the sliding board to show us there is still a kid in all of us.!!!

Blessings from Bernie

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

I Corinthians 1:20

We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing.

I Corinthians 2:6

Belief in God and Christianity has been under attack for hundreds of years. A reliance on the science of mathematics, reason, nihilism, and cynicism led to the conclusion that if there is a God, He cannot be known, but more than likely, there is no God. This began with Descartes, continued with Hegel, Darwin, and Feuerbach before culminating with Nietzsche's statement that God is dead. These are the people who advanced the "wisdom of this age" that had a profound impact on the world and is still relied on today.

In the 17th and 18th centuries, the Age of Reason, also known as the Age of Enlightenment, replaced earlier systems of thought and belief. In this new era, man relied on his own intellect rather than the revealed truth of the gods. Nature and science became the new beliefs while miracles and religious rites were viewed as superstitions. The Age of Reason was filled with attacks on Christianity and a rejection of God.

René Descartes created a rational philosophy for life. While being rational doesn't sound so bad, this belief system denied anything that couldn't be logically proven *to his own mind*. No one else's beliefs were valid, only his own. This ideology prevents a belief in love, wisdom, morality, and, of course, God. We see elements of this belief run rampant in our society today. We are told that truth is relative, and that God does not exist. Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel continued with the philosophy of rationalism that Descartes started. Hegel said that reason was the new God. In his belief system, Hegel claimed that intellect would improve humanity, but before his death he admitted that this was not accurate. Instead of becoming better, people only became shrewder.

Ludwig Feuerbach believed and taught that by doing away with God, humanity could focus on itself, its world, and the present time rather than the

hereafter. His belief was that now is more important than the hereafter, which did not even exist. He worked toward and believed that the Bible was being replaced by reason, religion by politics, and hell by material wretchedness. Building on all of these previous belief systems was Friedrich Nietzsche. He wrote that "no religion, directly or indirectly, either as dogma or as allegory, has ever contained a truth." Following in the self-centered steps of Descartes and relying on internal knowledge, Nietzsche proclaimed that "there cannot be a God because if there were one, I could not believe that I was not He." This quote defines where philosophy has arrived. Humanity is self-important, self-sufficient, and self-sustaining. The individual is of prime importance. Not only was God non-existent, He was in the way.

Belief in God became an indication of lack of intelligence. "The history of heresy, blasphemy, rejection of belief, atheism, agnosticism, humanism, and rationalism [is] the history of the intellectual progress of the human race" (Paul Edwards). Only the psychologically unfit and the uneducated believe in God. Welcome to our age, the Age of Postmodernism, which grew on the shoulders of these philosophers. The postmodern world is one of skepticism, with no objective reality, morality, or truth. There is a prevalence of self-consciousness and self-referentiality. This is the "wisdom of this age" in which we now live.

By this time, you are probably wondering why this history of philosophy is being presented (that is if you have made it this far). As is usually stressed in these articles, God and Jesus made it clear that we are not to self-isolate with our knowledge that God loves us, and that Jesus died to redeem us. We are to share that news with the rest of the world. But the rest of the world is often clinging to the beliefs of postmodern thinking. Israel was to go in and possess the Promised Land, but they were not to hold the truth of the one true God to themselves. Rather than do this, they isolated themselves from the Gentiles. They considered it sinful to associate with such people. While we don't separate ourselves physically from non-Christians, we often withhold our Christian beliefs from them. We don't want to be ridiculed or seen as lacking intellectually in our postmodern world. What we do at these times is no different than what the Israelites/Jews did with the Gentiles surrounding them.

But we were warned that this time would come. In the verses cited at the beginning of this

article, Paul is speaking to the church at Corinth, telling them not to rely on the wisdom of the age. At that time, much like today, human wisdom relied on an analysis of what could be seen or touched. Even the belief in the gods of the time was tied to observation. Corinth was home to the Temple of Apollo, the sun god. Sacrifices to Apollo assured that the sun would rise and cross the sky each day. The proof was that the sun adhered to its daily journey. A second notable god of Corinth was Poseidon, ruler of the sea. This was an important god for Corinth because commercial life depended on the sea. As sacrifices to Poseidon continued, so did the prosperity of Corinth. There was plenty of evidence for the existence of these gods! Yet the God of the Christians was shrouded in mystery and foolishness (I Cor. 1:18). Who could possibly believe in a God that was crucified, a disgraceful death? No one could believe that after such a death, the body would rise from the grave. All of that was beyond the wisdom of the wise men of that age.

The wisdom of the current age has done away with Apollo, Poseidon, and the Pantheon of gods. These have been replaced with the gods of science, mathematics, nihilism, and self. If there is no tangible, touchable, observable evidence of His existence, then the God of Christianity does not exist. People today want objective evidence before they will believe in God. The difficulty of this situation, however, does not relieve us of our responsibility to spread the word of God to all people throughout the world.

The Apostle Peter said that we are to “always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have” (I Peter 3:15). This is an encouraging statement that carries a tremendous burden with it. Many Christians say that they are just not comfortable talking with unbelievers about Jesus, feeling that that they don’t know enough to do so. This may be true, but there is a solution for that problem. Study and prayer. The Bible also tells us that “If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you” (James 1:5).

Was Solomon so wise before he asked God for wisdom? Perhaps not because the Bible tells us that “God gave Solomon wisdom and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sand on the seashore” (I Kings 4:29). If we ask, as Solomon did, God will enable us

to talk with people about Him. He will give us the ability to speak about the death and resurrection of Jesus. Hopefully, these are things that we already know and believe. Yet wisdom isn’t the only answer because that is simply good sense, a wise attitude, and accumulated philosophical and scientific learning (Merriam Webster). In essence, wisdom is knowing what to do with the scientific and philosophical ideas of the age we live in. While God gives wisdom, it is our responsibility to learn about and apply this to the philosophy and the science of our age.

We need to know the objections that a nonbeliever will have to the idea of God, things such as “science proves that God doesn’t exist,” “the miracles in the Bible can’t be true because they contradict the laws of science,” and “Christianity is just a crutch for emotionally weak people.” To be able to discuss these issues, we need to be conversant with the standard beliefs of our time. And we need to be ready to clearly advocate for Christian beliefs in the face of such objections. If we cannot, and do not, people will believe that there is no viable answer to their doubts. One thing to remember is that all we do is plant and cultivate a seed. It is God, through the Holy Spirit, who will nurture and bring to fruition the work that we begin.

Think of the people in your lives who do not know about Jesus. If *you* do not tell them, they may never have another opportunity to learn about Him. You may be their only chance! But spreading the word of God goes beyond the individual. Luis Palau wrote that Nietzsche had a profound influence on Hitler, Stalin, and Mussolini, who were responsible for the deaths of tens of millions of men, women, and children. How might the world have been different if someone like you had introduced Descartes, Kant, Hegel, and Nietzsche to Christ? Changing the life of just one person will have a profound impact on that one person. Changing the life of just a few people may have a profound impact on the world.

We don’t know what effect our words will have on the life of one person, a dozen people, or the world. At every opportunity we should speak up for God. We should *seek* chances to tell others about the wisdom we have been given. If we do not, we are still witnessing because “by your silence you speak” (Kipling).

Edith Kennedy
Mission Committee Chairperson



A Heartfelt Thank You

As I sat in church Sunday, feelings of gratitude came to me for our church during this pandemic. MANY people have worked hard to keep us connected as a church and to "see" each other and to provide safety to reopen.

One group I would like to thank today is the Quartet and Ken Trammell who have given us the opportunity to have music in our services--even though the congregation cannot sing. Cheryl Cox, Vicky Bayol, Patty Hessenauer, Morgan Jones, and Dee Thompson have faithfully given of their time to provide music for us to enjoy each Sunday. There are others who have also added their talents in music with the violin (Vicky and Emma Christine), and Ken with the cello and of course his beautiful playing of the organ and piano. Ruth Nagy and Christy Wisor have also blessed us with their talents. I hope I did not forget anyone but know that you are appreciated.!!!

Bernie Pearson

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Dear Church Family,

We are praising God each day for our good health among staff and students! Parents have been very diligent on only sending healthy children to school! We are having so much fun with our students, a big highlight is easel painting outside--everything from our state bird, the cardinal, to pumpkins, apple trees and elephants! We've enjoyed great success with our two fundraisers and are using those funds to help offset the opening expenses for the school. School pictures are done- they are so cute! The two's class started without tears- now, that is a miracle! Parents donated a Panera Lunch this month to thank our staff for the great start to this most unusual year!

Students in Kindergarten have memorized the books of the Old Testament, they started reading groups, and learned about Canada and Mexico- our neighbors to the north and south. Kindergarten writes weekly in their journals and have learned more about Joseph and Moses this year. Students in the 4's Pre K classes have memorized weekly verses to earn a star on their sticker chart, they have mastered all the vowels, introduced consonants, read great stories, like Elmer the Elephant. Our sweet 3 yr. olds have learned how to walk in a line to the playground, learned about letters Aa, Bb, and Cc.... we've introduced the pledge to the flag, and they've enjoyed the story of Noah's Ark and Feeding of the 5,000. Our little 2's have been the biggest surprise of all- coming to school in the carline for the first time ever....and without tears!! They are learning 'all about me', and all about families...they are learning how to finger paint and use their crayons and glue sticks. Everyone is enjoying the playground with our marvelous fall weather. I've been creating many batches of homemade playdough...this month's orange playdough is scented with pumpkin pie spice and cinnamon... the children are loving it!

Coming up next is the Harvest Hoedown- we will provide a pumpkin for each child, a ride on a real pony and an indoor rodeo! After the Hoedown, we will conduct Parent Teacher Conferences Nov 2nd and 3rd via Zoom. If you purchased Claire's Gourmet Frozen Food from us, it will need to be picked up Wed. Nov 4th mid-morning. Please email me with time ideas to avoid arrivals and departures of preschoolers :)

We will hold a fall book fair...unusual this year that it will be all online instead of set up in the fellowship hall! We count on this book fair to raise funds for new cabinets and rugs, and books of course! If you'd like to order some books for ANY age (babies to high schoolers!) feel free on Nov 2- Nov 15 to click on this link and shop the book fair. This would make great grandchild's gifts, or family gifts for the holidays. Reading is such a gift, isn't it? If you purchase \$25 in books, you'll get free shipping right to your house. If you order anything other than books, such as stuffed animals- you would NOT receive free shipping- they are pushing for 'book only' orders. Here's the link: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/haymarketbapt>

[prsch](#). This link is NOT LIVE until the morning of November 2nd. so, if you click on it prior to Nov 2, you'll see it, but can't go anywhere! On or after Nov 2, go to the link. It will ask if you'd like to make an account- I would suggest making an account because that is the only way we will be able to track your items if anything gets lost. You have 2 places to shop-- you can click on 'Shop the Store' in the center of the screen and look for books for preschoolers, elementary or middle school students, best sellers and by topic. The other option is to go to the Virtual Fair link- where you'll see books in their scholastic cases, like a real book fair, you can drag the screen around to see the cases. In the middle of the case-between the 2 sides you'll see a little black box- it's the link to open the case closer and be able to view the books and choose to buy. When you are done shopping in this case, click the button that says, 'step back'. You can fill your shopping cart with either option- the SHOP THE STORE, or VIRTUAL 360. Remember to have these shipped to your home for free- choose only books. If you choose other toys, kits, or stuffed animals the shipping will not be free- it's up to you! Please call me if you have any difficulty between Nov 2 and Nov 15. We'd love your support! Books will arrive within 10 days- all you have to do is wrap them up for Christmas!

We will finish up November with some Thanksgiving Parties- we'll make our own keepsake placemats, we will learn our Bible verses about being Thankful, and giving Thanks, we will discover more about the Pilgrims quest for religious freedom, and friendships with local Indian tribes. The students will enjoy a small special treat and pray together about all of our great blessings. Unfortunately, no Thanksgiving Programs this year. We are thankful for so many things at our preschool/kindergarten! We have such a great staff, healthy students, supportive Council, financial stability, beautiful playgrounds, cleaning supplies, parents of students who are so kind and generous, and the ability to share the gospel with our students and families. Despite the 'curve ball' this year-- we're so blessed. Have a wonderful November... and Thanksgiving...thank you for your support and prayers!

With Love and Gratitude,
Mrs. Laurie Frasz
Director, Haymarket Baptist Church Preschool &
Kindergarten



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 1	Guy McNeil
Nov. 3	Carter Stewart
Nov. 6	Luke Mazzu
Nov. 8	David Alex Kerns
Nov. 11	Pat Smith Craig Caudill
Nov. 13	Abby King Jerry Copen
Nov. 15	Bobbie Jo Swindall
Nov. 17	Mary Griffith John Wisor
Nov. 19	John Hessenauer Christy Wisor
Nov. 20	Carol Thacker
Nov. 21	Dee Thompson Lisa Morgan
Nov. 25	Sam Brawley
Nov. 29	Nathan McGahan
Nov. 30	Will Sawyer Pam Carpenter Carol Dixon



Jane's Pantry Food Donations

Thanksgiving and Christmas are a busy season for Jane's Pantry, an important mission of our church. Recently we did a quick and careful inventory as we hope to reach people who have never before been in such need. The loss of jobs, income, and general misfortune in the Haymarket community means this ministry will need your prayers and food donations more than ever.

In view of the church's restricted access during the COVID Pandemic, we will be placing a table outside of the Sunday School doors for those who wish to leave canned and boxed food during the week.

We ask you to check expiration dates & consider pop top cans. If you shop online consider having your items for the pantry delivered to the church by the delivery service that your own grocery merchant offers. They can be delivered to the table just outside the Sunday School doors.

If your or someone you know currently has a need for food, please contact the church office.

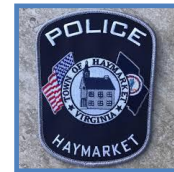
The Kitchen Committee

The pantry is completely void of the following items:

- Boxes of Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Turkey Gravy
- Salmon
- Beef Stew
- Jelly
- Evaporated Milk or Powdered Milk
- Cake Icing
- Hamburger Helper or Tuna Helper
- Tomato Sauce, Paste, Puree
- Chili or Beans to make Chili
- Canned Pasta: Ravioli, Spaghetti, ABC's & 123's...
- Granola Bars
- Condiments, Ketchup, Mustard, Pickles, Mayo...
- Coffee, Tea, or Juices (Juice Boxes)
- Cookies

Below we have a low inventory of these items:

- Boxes of Stuffing
- Sweet Potatoes
- Tuna
- Canned Chicken
- Rice
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Spaghetti and other boxes of pasta
- Baked Beans
- Green Beans, Corn, Peas, and other Vegetables
- Peanut Butter
- Cake Mix
- Oatmeal, Hot or Cold Cereal
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Spaghetti or Alfredo Sauce and any Pasta
- Apple Sauce & Canned Fruit as well as Fruit Cups



SECURITY OFFICERS FOR NOVEMBER

We greatly appreciate these officers dedicating their time and effort towards the safety of our members and visitors.

Nov. 1	Randy Anderson
Nov. 8	Randy Anderson
Nov. 15	Jeff Shaver
Nov. 22	Randy Anderson
Nov. 29	Jeff Shaver



“The greatest saint in the world is not he who prays most or fasts most; it is not he who gives alms, or is most eminent for temperance, chastity or justice. It is he who is most thankful to God.”

William Law

“When it comes to life the critical thing is whether you take things for granted or take them with gratitude.”

G. K. Chesterton

Thanksgiving Thoughts

“What would happen in my own life if thanksgiving became the main thing for me?”

John Juneman

“Thanksgiving, after all, is a word of action.”
W. J. Cameron

“The Pilgrims displayed another virtue, one they practiced every day and which stood at the heart of the First Thanksgiving. Cicero called it the greatest of the virtues and the parent of all the rest: gratitude.”

Melanie Kirkpatrick

“Thou who has given so much to me, give one thing more: a grateful heart.”

George Herbert

“Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!”

Psalms 100:4

“Jesus is moved to happiness every time He sees that you appreciate what He has done for you. Grip His pierced hand and say to Him, “I thank Thee, Savior, because Thou has died for me.” Thank Him likewise for all the other blessings He has showered upon you from day to day. It brings joy to Jesus.”

Ole Hallersby

“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.”

1 Chronicles 16:34



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