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"Okay, Kevin dear," said Greta. She felt worse than e'er before. Then Greta became quite startled By a knock on the front door. It was their next door neighbor. It was friendly Mister Foxx. He was holding something heavy In a large, clumsy, cardboard box.

"Do y'all have a turkey, Greta?"  
"No, Kevin's praying for one."  
"Well, now his prayer is answered. Here's one for you and your son."  
"Thank you so much, Mr. Foxx! I'm thankful for those who care!"  
"Praise the Lord!" yelled Kevin, I know God answers prayer!"

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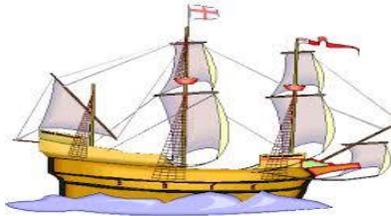
Grandma was showing the children a painting of the Pilgrim Family on a Thanksgiving Day card that they had received and she commented, 'The Pilgrim children enjoyed going to church with their mothers and fathers and praying to God.'



Her youngest grandson looked at her doubtfully and asked, 'Then why is their Daddy carrying that big ol' gun?'

If April showers bring May flowers what do May flowers bring?

## Pilgrims!



### **Brutus learns a lesson...**

Martha had a parrot called Brutus, who habitually cussed something awful. Since Martha was having her in-laws over for Thanksgiving, she needed to train Brutus quickly not to swear.



Just before her Mother-in-law was due Brutus cussed terribly, so Martha put him in the freezer for 2 minutes to literally cool off. Then she opened the door and took out the parrot along with the turkey. 'And have you learned your lesson about cussing?' Martha asked the parrot.

Brutus the parrot took one look at the dead turkey lying next to him and said: 'I sure have. But I have one question, "What did the turkey do?"'

*Where Christ is cherished, family is loved and everyone is family!*



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### **A Thanksgiving Blessing**

Greta was a single parent.  
She had one little boy.  
She had a son named Kevin.  
He was her pride and joy.

Kevin came home from school.  
Thanksgiving was a day away.  
He asked, "Will we have turkey  
To eat on Thanksgiving Day?"

"No, Son, there's no turkey.  
Rent was due; I had to pay it.  
The late fee is too high to pay,  
So I really couldn't delay it."

"We have some turkey hot dogs,  
Corn, potatoes, and pudding too.  
We'll have enough to eat, Son.  
There's plenty for me and you."

"Mom, I'm praying for a turkey."  
So Kevin dropped to his knees.  
"Lord, please send us a turkey  
To eat on Thanksgiving, please."

Nightfall came, and little Kevin  
Was getting ready to go to bed.  
"Mommy, I am still praying for  
God to send a turkey," he said.

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**Join us each Sunday  
for Worship...**



**10:45am**

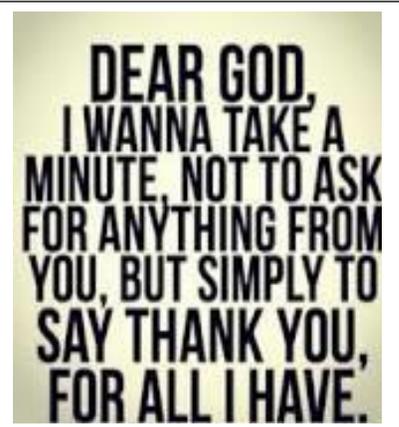
**Worship and Praise**

**October 2014**



### **What's Inside...**

- Especially thankful for...
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- A Thanksgiving Blessing (cont'd)
- Grandma shows pilgrims
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**Here's a list several housewives compiled of what they were especially thankful for:**



- For automatic dish washers because they make it possible for them to get out of the kitchen before family comes back in for their after dinner snacks.
- For husbands who attack small repair jobs around the house because they usually make them big enough to call in the professionals.
- For children who put away their things and clean up after themselves. They're such a joy you hate to see them go home to *their* parents.
- For teenagers because they give parents an opportunity to learn a second language especially through "text messaging".
- For smoke alarms because they let you know when the turkey is done.



**Something To Think About..**

*"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord..."* [Psalm 92:1] Steve, a 45 year old quadriplegic from Kansas had been a runaway Christian for twelve years, one who was

hell-bent on self-destruction through the pursuit of the flesh, ignoring all of God's small nudges to put him back on course.

In October of 2001, an automobile accident left him paralyzed and reflecting on the damage he could have caused his loved ones and himself if left unchecked. He saw the Lord's hand involved in every aspect of his circumstances. He says, "I would not trade my chair for my pre-injury days if I had to give up my Lord to do so. I've everything to be thankful for this season - my home, my family, my job and the very air we breathe, but most of all, I thank God that He reproves those He loves".

What about us this year? What are we thankful for? Would we have to admit, like Steve, that we must be thankful for God's timely intervention in our lives? Have we too been wayward in our walk? Every person who has a grateful heart should devoutly thank God, take stock and count his blessings. Actually, Thanksgiving Day should simply get us in the mood and in the spirit to be thankful throughout the entire year. In fact, David, the psalmist, wrote: *"I will bless the*

*Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth"* [Psalm 34:1].

How fitting a child of God should praise God. If praise should continually be in the mouth of David; if David's tongue talked of God's righteousness all the day long, surely we, as a mark of blessed, born again believers, should also praise God continually.

In Psalm 103 David, exalts the Lord. There are five things in this passage of scripture which prompt us to offer our thanksgiving to God. As we celebrate Thanksgiving this year may we remember:

- I. THANK HIM FOR HIS FORGIVENESS - The greatest blessing God has ever given to anyone is forgiveness of sins. This is the very reason God gave His Son -- to forgive our sins. It's for this reason Jesus came into the world, taught us to understand the Kingdom of God and gave us salvation through His grace. Thank Him!
- II. CROWNS YOU WITH LOVE & COMPASSION – No abstract judicial decision is handed down for us; God's given us a relationship that is eternal. Crowned with glory! Are we thankful for such blessing?
- III. SATISFIES YOUR DESIRES – And He does - when you surrender to Him & choose to walk in His way allowing your desires to align with His direction. Further we're told *"Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow."* [Ja 1:17]

**Mark your Calendar...**

**Oct 8, 15, 22, & 29** – Bible study  
7:15pm (Revelation)

**Oct 9<sup>th</sup>** – Missions Dinner 5:30pm  
\$10 Anne Drost speaks

**Oct 12<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving Service

**Oct 13<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving Day

**Nov 1<sup>st</sup>** – Love Day WRRRC 10am

**Nov 4<sup>th</sup>** – Understanding Teenage  
Brain – Wyoming BC

**Nov 8<sup>th</sup>** – Missionfest - \$12 FBC  
Strathroy – 5:30pm  
Program @ 6:30pm

IV. WORKS RIGHTEOUSNESS – We consider so many times in our lives where the Lord's not dealt with us according to our sins, for if the Lord did, who could stand? None of us! His grace alone is sufficient for righteousness.

V. GREAT IS HIS LOVE - It's a love, according to verse 11, as great as the distance between the heavens and the earth. But how far are the heavens from the earth? Love cannot be measured in

miles but in action. So then, are we a thankful people; are we stopping and asking God to bless us daily? Happy Thanksgiving!