



## NOVEMBER NEWS/2018

We were so thrilled to have such a tremendous turnout for our Fall Hoedown. I hope you all had a great time. Thank you for supporting our school and events. 😊

I want to personally thank you for your prayers, kind words and concern during my illness. The Parent Committee delivered a beautiful bouquet of flowers from all of you. I'm still enjoying it. It brightened my day.

November is a month that encourages us to stop and count our many blessings. We need to be more intentional in letting others around us know how grateful and thankful we are for them. We celebrate our heritage and the many freedoms that we have. It is a true blessing to be able to worship God freely. It's what the Pilgrims risked their lives for.

We are excited to share with the children the true story of our country's first Thanksgiving. They will hear stories, make activities and prepare songs and lines so that they can present our Thanksgiving Program/Play & Feast for you. This is a long-standing tradition at our First Church Preschool.

**Please carefully read the attached Play & Feast Facts.** The 3s will be the turkeys. The 4s will be the Native Americans, and the 5s AM and 4s/5s PM will be the Pilgrims. The children can keep the headbands and necklaces after their performance, but please return their costumes in the bins provided after the program. We reuse them every year. It will be an event that you will not want to miss! We will conclude the Program with a Feast enjoyed by all our Preschool families. You will be able to sign-up for your favorite dish to share on Sign-up Genius today!

Your child will deliver your Feast invitation today and tomorrow. (Two adults per child per class plus younger siblings.) Remember: EVERYONE is invited to the Play. 😊

I am so grateful and thankful for each one of you. Thank you for supporting our First Church Preschool. I feel so humbled and blessed to be a part of such a great community of families. :)

### OTHER NEWS TO NOTE:

- **EXTENDED ENRICHMENT SESSIONS ONLINE:** We still have a few openings in our November Extended Enrichment sessions. Please check out the themed days and sign up. You will not be disappointed! When you register for the Extended Sessions online you will receive an email confirmation immediately after you've completed

your registration. If you do not get a confirmation, please recheck your registration and/or contact Pat if you need assistance.

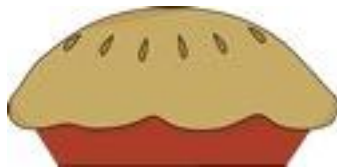
December Extended sign-ups will be posted on Monday, Nov.26. It's a short month and one you won't want to miss out on! It will give you stress-free shopping or rest time! 😊

- Fundraisers: Thank you so much for supporting our Pecan fundraiser. I will share the total soon. They are trying hard to get our order to us before Thanksgiving! Their groves were hit by the last hurricane. We'll keep you updated as we track our orders

We are excited to move into the holiday season with you and your little ones. We have a lot to celebrate and be thankful for. Thanks again for entrusting your little ones to our care every week.

They are such a blessing!

Warmly,



## PLAY & FEAST FACTS: 11:00-1:00



- Please remember to **sign up** for the **Feast**. The Parent Committee will offer Sign-up Genius. We ask that EVERY family donates to this special Feast.



- Food that you are bringing to share. (Main dish, side dish or dessert) Allergy alert: no nuts in any dishes, please.
- Number attending. (**Due to lack of space**, we can only accommodate **3 total** (student included. All younger siblings are welcome.) for the **meal** in in the Worship and Fireside Rooms.
- The **Play** will be performed in our historical Meetinghouse. We have plenty of room for **ALL to attend the Play**. So, feel free to invite family and/or friends. We would like for the **parents/siblings** to have seating priority in the Center sections. The center sections will also be reserved for parents & grandparents needing assistance. The outer boxed seating and balcony is available for extended family and friends. We will have photo opportunities for each age group after they sing. You will be invited to come forward and take close-up photos.
- There are **2 days of Plays/Feasts**, **Monday, Nov. 19** and **Tuesday, Nov. 20**
  - Check your classroom *calendar* for your assigned day. On your child's "feast day" they will **only attend** the feast activities. The day they are not participating in the feast, they will attend their regular school day, including EMD.
  - There will be **NO LUNCH BUNCH OR EXTENDED SESSIONS** on our feast days. (UNLESS your child is registered in Mrs. Bighinatti's afternoon Add-on classes.)
- Those registered for our **Afternoon Add-on classes: please see Mrs. Bighinatti for your schedule.**
- On the day of your feast, PLEASE BE PROMPT AND DROP YOUR CHILD OFF IN THEIR CLASSROOM between 10:30 and 10:45. The play begins at 11:00 sharp.

### Costumes:

- 3s (Turkeys) — Dress them in adorable clothing. :) They will be wearing headbands designed by their little hands.
- 4s (Native Americans) —they will be wearing a decorated larger brown T-shirt

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over their clothing. A long-sleeved shirt and dark pants or leggings would look great.

- 5s AM & 4s/5s PM (Pilgrims) —the boys will have black capes and hats provided. Dark pants and white or light shirts would look nice. The girls will have burgundy skirts with muslin aprons and bonnets that are provided. A long-sleeved top and leggings would be comfortable and look nice for the play.



**Please remember to RETURN your child's costume by the end of this event.**