



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Print-outs for your gathering

This PDF includes two print-out options for creating gratitude lists, or writing thank-you notes: a full page, or a quarter page, depending on the enthusiasm of your party. There are also a few words on gratitude and thanksgiving which may be cut out and placed around your table.

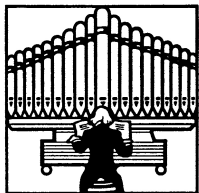
Our family loves to sing "For the Beauty of the Earth," with a slight lyrical variation for mixed company. I've included those lyrics as well.

Love and Joy to you, on this and all days, Ingrid

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poetry, beauty, soul wisdom and gifts for bringing the sacred home

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*What did you learn? What did you give? What challenged you?
What were you blessed by? What made you laugh?
How did you grow? What do you love?
What gave your life deeper meaning?*





WORDS FOR THANKSGIVING

List your blessings and you will walk through the gates
of thanksgiving and into the fields of joy. ~Garrison Keillor

If the only prayer you say your whole life is "thanks",
that would suffice. ~Meister Eckhart

Thank God for the things I do not own.
~Saint Teresa of Avilla

Give Thanks for the little and you will find you have a lot.
~Hausa proverb

Be content with what you have.
Rejoice in the way things are.
When you realize there is nothing lacking,
the whole world belongs to you.
~Lao Tzu

May all beings everywhere
be free from suffering.
May all beings everywhere be fed.
May all beings everywhere be peaceful.
May all beings everywhere know joy.
~Buddhist Prayer

In our highest hopes we see that the world
is one great family:
where it is possible that none go hungry,
where it is possible that justice, love, and health abound,
where it is possible that we may
never question our oneness.
~Ingrid Goff-Maidoff

Let us savor our days as we savor this meal.
Let us linger to enjoy the bounty of each season.
Let us live to declare we find life itself delicious.
~Ingrid Goff-Maidoff

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth
For the splendor of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:

Source of all, to Thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower
Sun and Moon and stars of light:

Source of all, to Thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child.
Friends on earth and friends above
For all gentle thoughts and mild:

Source of all, to Thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift of Thine
To our race so freely given.
Graces human and divine
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n:

Source of all, to Thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

by Folliot S. Pierpoint (1835-1917)
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