

GATHERING IN GRATITUDE: Our Annual Thanksgiving Feast

The spirit of gratitude and togetherness filled our preschool as children and their families came together to celebrate our annual Thanksgiving feast. This cherished tradition is more than just a meal; it's a joyful gathering that brings our community closer and offers a beautiful opportunity to teach children about thankfulness, sharing, and God's abundant blessings.

Our Connecting Place was transformed into a warm, festive space, adorned with hand-crafted decorations made by the children. Little turkey centerpieces and colorful paper leaves with messages of gratitude written by the preschoolers added a personal touch to the celebration.

Before the meal began, excitement filled the room as our children eagerly entered the cafeteria and met their parents with wide grins. Mrs. Martha led us in a special prayer of thanks, a heartfelt reminder of God's goodness and provision.



The feast itself was a delicious array of Thanksgiving dishes, many lovingly prepared by our generous families. Children and parents engaged in conversation and laughter as they gathered around tables brimming with platters of macaroni and cheese, chicken, pasta and even pizza.



While parents waited in line for the main course, the little ones eagerly went straight to the dessert end of the line, gobbling up cupcakes, cookies, and other treats.

Towards the end of the meal, as the chatter died down and tummies were full, we shared a precious video of our preschoolers sharing what they were thankful for. “I’m thankful for my mommy and daddy,” was a common reply. Even Lightning McQueen made it into the most thankful list. Kachow!! Teachers, aunts, grandmas and God were also mentioned along with dogs, kitties, and roly pollies. These sweet answers highlighted the children’s growing ability to recognize and express gratitude, a key developmental milestone.

As the feast came to an end, the children were entertained with a puppet show performed by one of our dear families. The children and their families joined in song and dance to close out our feast of thanksgiving, their voices filling the room with joy.



Bringing It All Together

Our annual Thanksgiving feast wasn’t just a celebration of food—it was a celebration of community, faith, and the values we strive to instill in our children every day. By coming together as a preschool family, we not only shared a meal but also shared in the joy of God’s blessings, creating memories that will be cherished for years to come.