

Thanksgiving Blessings



At this time of Thanksgiving we pause to count our blessings.

The freedom of this great country in which we live. It's opportunity for achievement. The friendship and confidence you have shown in us. For all of these things we are deeply thankful. Our best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving.

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The History of Thanksgiving

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“Americans don’t know it and children aren’t taught it, but George Washington is responsible for our Thanksgiving holiday. It was our first president, not the Pilgrims and not Abraham Lincoln, who led the charge to make this day of thanks a truly national event.”

“On October 3, 1789, George Washington issued his Thanksgiving proclamation, designating for ‘the People of the United States a day of public thanks-giving’ to be held on ‘Thursday the 26th day of November,’ 1789, marking the first national celebration of a holiday that has become commonplace in today’s households.”

“While subsequent presidents failed to maintain this tradition, it was Washington’s original proclamation that guided Abraham Lincoln’s 1863 Thanksgiving Proclamation. In fact, Lincoln issued his proclamation on the same day, October 3, and marked the same Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26, as Washington, setting Thanksgiving as the last Thursday of November after our first president’s example.”

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