

Thanksgiving Prayer Points with Bible Verses

These thanksgiving prayer points are for churches, families and prayer groups who want to give thanks to God with Scripture: at a Thanksgiving service, around the table on Thanksgiving Day (the fourth Thursday of November, which falls on November 26 in 2026), or at any prayer meeting. They thank God for who He is, for salvation in Christ, for daily provision and family, for the church, and in hard seasons as well as good ones.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and bless His name. For the LORD is good, and His loving devotion endures forever; His faithfulness continues to all generations.

Psalms 100:4-5 (BSB)

For a church service, pray one section between songs or Scripture readings. At the family table, let each person read one verse aloud and pray its point, children included, then go around the table and name one specific gift from this year. On your own, pray one section a day through Thanksgiving week.

Thanks for who God is

1 You are good, and Your love endures

LORD, we give thanks to You, for You are good, and Your loving devotion endures forever. Through every season of this year You have not changed. Thank You for being exactly who You say You are.

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His loving devotion endures forever.

1 Chronicles 16:34 (BSB)

2 Mercies new every morning

LORD, because of Your loving devotion we are not consumed. Thank You that Your mercies are new every morning: for each sunrise this year, each forgiven failure, each fresh start. Great is Your faithfulness.

Because of the loving devotion of the LORD we are not consumed, for His mercies never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness!

Lamentations 3:22-23 (BSB)

3 Every good gift from above

Father of the heavenly lights, every good and perfect gift we enjoy comes down from You. Thank You for the gifts we notice and the thousands we overlook, and that You never change like shifting shadows.

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, with whom there is no change or shifting shadow.

James 1:17 (BSB)

Thanks for salvation in Christ

4 Your indescribable gift

Father, thank You for Your indescribable gift, Your Son Jesus. Thank You that He came for us, died for our sins and rose again. No other blessing on our table compares to Him.

Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9:15 (BSB)

5 Rescued and forgiven

Father, we give You thanks for rescuing us from the dominion of darkness and bringing us into the kingdom of Your beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. We did not earn it; You qualified us by grace.

giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:12-14 (BSB)

6 A living hope

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, thank You that by Your great mercy You gave us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Thank You for a hope that death cannot take away.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1 Peter 1:3 (BSB)

Thanks for provision and family

7 Food on our table

Lord, the eyes of all look to You, and You give food in its season. Thank You for the farmers, truckers, grocers and cooks behind this meal, and for opening Your hand to satisfy us again this year.

The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in season. You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Psalms 145:15-16 (BSB)

8 Food received with thanksgiving

Father, everything You created is good. We receive this food with thanksgiving and ask You to sanctify it by Your word and prayer. Keep us mindful of those who are hungry today.

For every creation of God is good, and nothing that is received with thanksgiving should be rejected, because it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

1 Timothy 4:4-5 (BSB)

9 The family You gave us

God, You settle the lonely in families. Thank You for the people around our table, by birth, marriage, adoption and friendship. Show us who is lonely this season, so that we can make room for them too.

God settles the lonely in families; He leads the prisoners out to prosperity, but the rebellious dwell in a sun-scorched land.

Psalms 68:6 (BSB)

10 The children in our lives

LORD, thank You for the children in our lives: our own, our grandchildren, and the kids in our church and neighborhood. They are a heritage from You. Help us thank You for them out loud, so that they hear it.

Children are indeed a heritage from the LORD, and the fruit of the womb is His reward.

Psalms 127:3 (BSB)

Thanks for the church and one another

11 Faith, love and hope in God's people

God our Father, we thank You for our brothers and sisters in Christ, remembering their work of faith, labor of love and enduring hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank You for the people who carried us this year.

We always thank God for all of you, remembering you in our prayers and continually recalling before our God and Father your work of faith, your labor of love, and your enduring hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 (BSB)

12 Love in our church family

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, thank You for the faith in Christ and love for one another we see in our church: meals delivered, prayers prayed, children taught, newcomers welcomed.

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard about your faith in Christ Jesus and your love for all the saints—

Colossians 1:3-4 (BSB)

13 Partners in the gospel

Lord, thank You for our partnership in the gospel: for pastors who preach, volunteers who serve, givers, missionaries, and those who pray unseen. Fill us with joy every time we remember them.

I thank my God every time I remember you. In every prayer for all of you, I always pray with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now,

Philippians 1:3-5 (BSB)

Thanks in every circumstance

14 Giving thanks in every circumstance

Father, Your will for us in Christ Jesus is that we give thanks in every circumstance: not for every pain, but in it. Teach us to see Your hand even in the hard parts of this year.

Give thanks in every circumstance, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 (BSB)

15 Though the fields produce no food

God of our salvation, some of us come to this table after a year of loss: a job, a diagnosis, an empty chair. Even when the fields produce no food, help us rejoice in You, because You are still ours.

Though the fig tree does not bud and no fruit is on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though the sheep are cut off from the fold and no cattle are in the stalls, yet I will exult in the LORD; I will rejoice in the God of my salvation!

Habakkuk 3:17-18 (BSB)

16 Thanks along with our requests

Lord, we bring You our worries along with our thanks. In everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, we present our requests to You. Let Your peace guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7 (BSB)

17 Mourning turned to joy

LORD our God, thank You for the times this year You turned our mourning into dancing. Remind us of every answered prayer, and let our hearts sing Your praises and not be silent.

You turned my mourning into dancing; You peeled off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing Your praises and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks forever.

Psalms 30:11-12 (BSB)

A thankful, generous life

18 Praise that turns into sharing

Lord Jesus, through You we offer God a sacrifice of praise. Let our thanks also become sharing: a seat at our table, a meal for a neighbor, a gift to someone in need this season.

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise, the fruit of lips that confess His name. And do not neglect to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Hebrews 13:15-16 (BSB)

19 Thankful in everything we do

Father, let thankfulness last past this holiday. Whatever we do, in word or deed, help us do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to You through Him, at work, at home and on the road.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17 (BSB)

20 Thanks for our country and its leaders

God, as You tell us, we give thanks for everyone, including our President and all in authority. Thank You for the freedom to worship You in this country, and give our leaders wisdom, so that we may live peaceful and godly lives.

First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be offered for everyone—for kings and all those in authority—so that we may lead tranquil and quiet lives in all godliness and dignity.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 (BSB)

A closing prayer

Father, we give You thanks, for You are good, and Your loving devotion endures forever. Thank You for Jesus, Your indescribable gift, for every meal and every person You have given us, and for carrying us through this year. Make us thankful in every circumstance and generous with all You have entrusted to us, so that our lives keep saying thank You long after this day. In Jesus' name, Amen.