



## St. John Lutheran Church 2x5s November 2020

St. John Lutheran Church 2x5s and their families are invited to visit [stjohnrussell.com](http://stjohnrussell.com) and click on the links under the 2x5s heading. Links are provided for the hard copy materials (in case you want to print more!!) and video links.

### Activity 1: Thankfulness Luminary

Materials: Vellum sheet (included)  
Colored pencils (colored pencils work best, but colors or markers may be used)  
Tape  
Flameless tea light (included)

#### Instructions:

- Brainstorm all the things you are thankful for in this life.
- Write words or draw pictures (or both!) to represent all the things you are thankful for.
- Roll your decorated vellum into a tube and secure with a small piece of tape.
- Turn the flameless tea light on, and set the luminary over it.
- Use your luminary as a table centerpiece or place it in your room so you can see it before you go to sleep.

## Activity 2: Thankfulness Tree

Materials: Brown construction paper (included)  
Pencil  
Scissors  
White card stock background sheet (included)  
Glue  
Leaf cut out sheet (included)  
Colors, markers, or colored pencils

### Instructions:

- Trace around your wrist and hand on the brown construction paper
- Cut out your traced hand
- Glue your traced hand on the background sheet
- Brainstorm all the things you are thankful for in this life.
- Write one thankful word on each leaf, then color the leaves
- Cut out the leaves and glue them to the "tree" you "planted" on the background sheet.



## **Family Activity: Conversation Starters and Thanksgiving Prayer**

Before your family gathers at the table for Thanksgiving dinner, cut out each Conversation Starter and place it in a bowl or basket.

When you sit down for dinner, ask your family to listen while you read the Thanksgiving Prayer.

During dinner, pass the bowl or basket to each person and have them choose a Conversation Starter. Discuss each of the topics with your family!

### **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

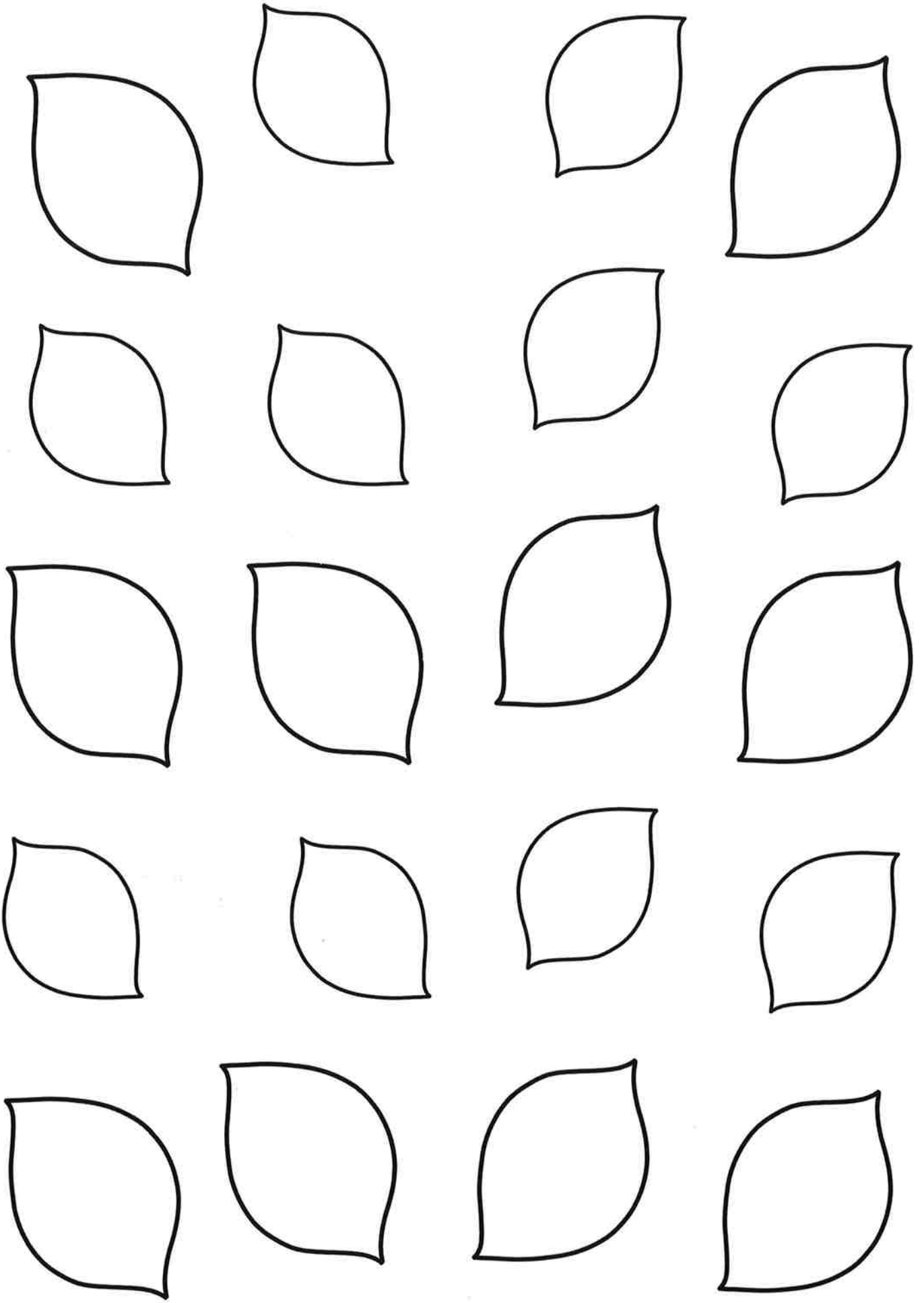
### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***Be watching for your Christmas Activity Pack in December!!!***



*Janella Eck, 2x5s Leader  
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What makes you smile about each person sitting next to you?



What can you do to give back this holiday season?



What is your favorite Thanksgiving dessert?



Who makes you laugh the most at the table?

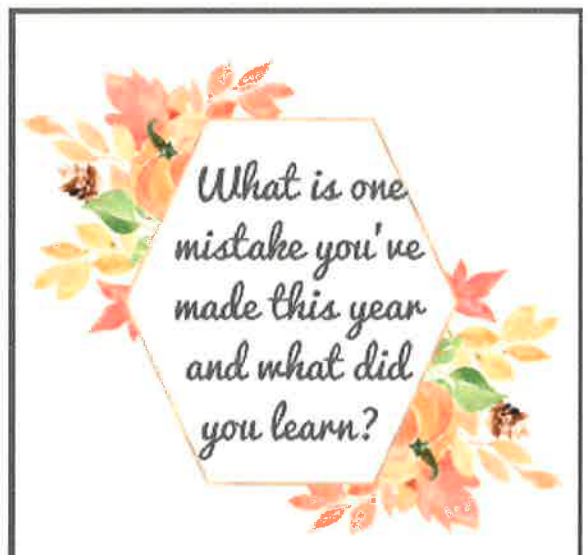


What is the nicest thing someone has done for you this year?



What invention are you most thankful for?



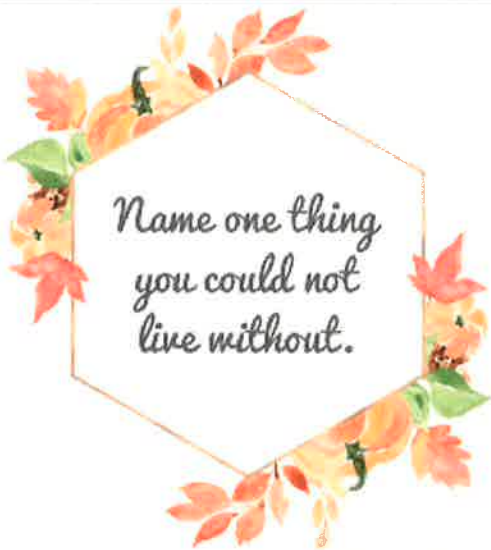




Name one person  
you would like  
to get to know  
better.



What random  
act of kindness  
can you do this  
week?



Name one thing  
you could not  
live without.



What is your  
favorite thing  
about your  
home?

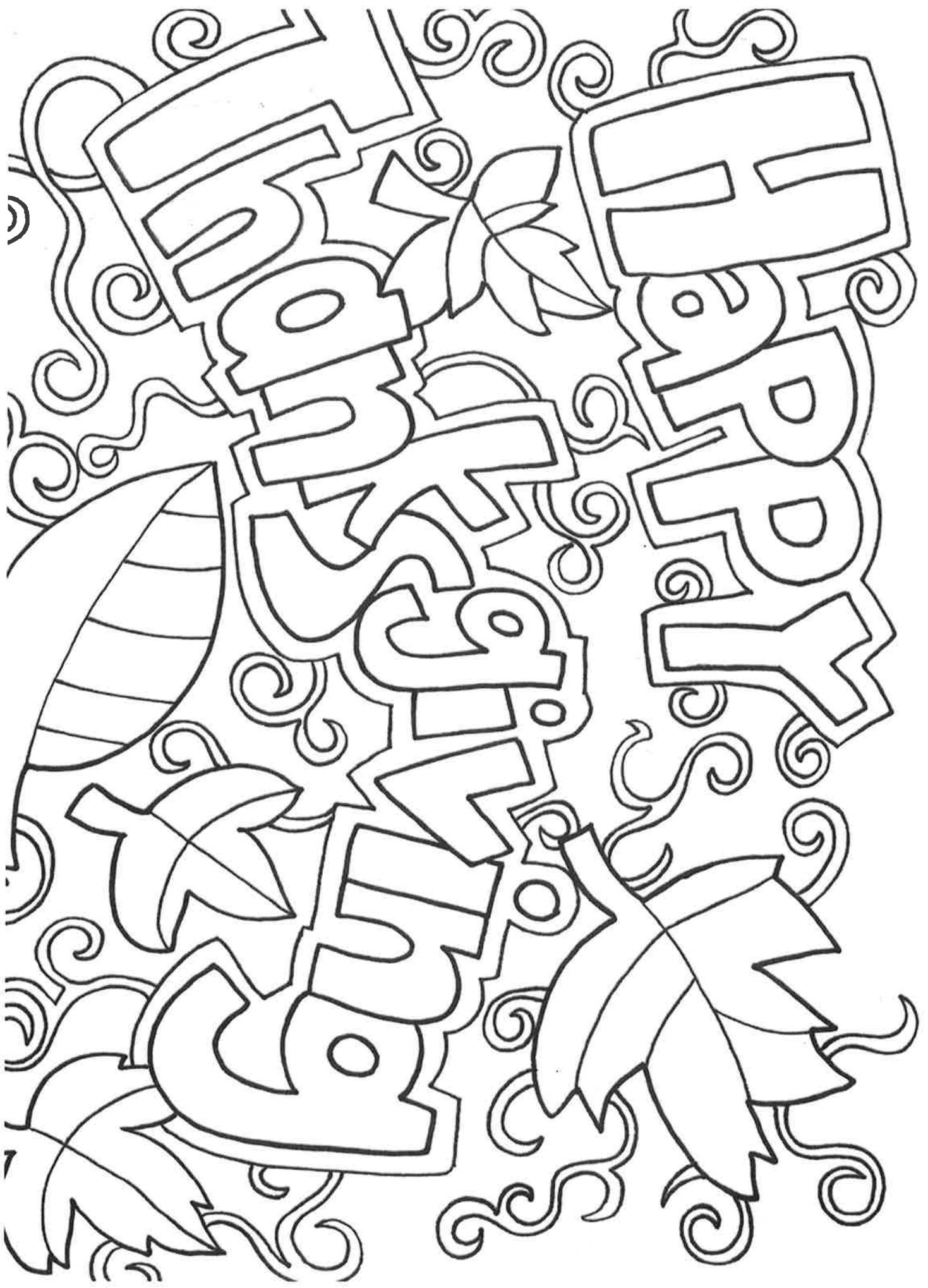


What makes  
your family  
special?



What is your  
favorite holiday  
tradition?





# Happy Turkey Day



