

## Thanksgiving

BY EDGAR ALBERT GUEST

Gettin' together to smile an' rejoice,  
An' eatin' an' laughin' with folks of your choice;  
An' kissin' the girls an' declarin' that they  
Are growin' more beautiful day after day;  
Chattin' an' braggin' a bit with the men,  
Buildin' the old family circle again;  
Livin' the wholesome an' old-fashioned cheer,  
Just for awhile at the end of the year.

Greetings fly fast as we crowd through the door  
And under the old roof we gather once more  
Just as we did when the youngsters were small;  
Mother's a little bit grayer, that's all.  
Father's a little bit older, but still  
Ready to romp an' to laugh with a will.  
Here we are back at the table again  
Tellin' our stories as women an' men.

Bowed are our heads for a moment in prayer;  
Oh, but we're grateful an' glad to be there.  
Home from the east land an' home from the west,  
Home with the folks that are dearest an' best.  
Out of the sham of the cities afar  
We've come for a time to be just what we are.  
Here we can talk of ourselves an' be frank,  
Forgettin' position an' station an' rank.

Give me the end of the year an' its fun  
When most of the plannin' an' toilin' is done;  
Bring all the wanderers home to the nest,  
Let me sit down with the ones I love best,  
Hear the old voices still ringin' with song,  
See the old faces unblemished by wrong,  
See the old table with all of its chairs  
An' I'll put soul in my Thanksgivin' prayers.

## News and Notes

**Shower of Love-** We would like the congregation to shower the Manweiler family with love by giving gifts of diapers and wipes (you can never have too many), meal (new parents are often tired) and money (for those extra baby needs). If you would like to help encourage this growing family, please see Nancy or Shannon.

**Service of Memory-** Again this year Dugan-Kramer funeral chapel will be holding a Service of Memory on Sunday, December 4, 206 at 2PM at Dugan-Kramer Funeral Chapel in Scottsbluff. More information is on the bulletin board.

**Spiritual Giftedness Seminar-** December 9-11 Doug Hamilton will be here to bring us a series of lessons on Spiritual Giftedness. Come discover your Spiritual Gifts and be empowered in effective ministry, both personally and congregationally.

**Soup Kitchen-** Our next soup kitchen will be this Tuesday, December 20 at 5pm. We will be serving a ham dinner. Volunteers are needed to make food, serve, and clean up. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

## Birthdays

Shannon Griffitts	11/06	Jaime Frederickson	11/13
		Jeremy Sanderson	11/14

If you birthday has been inadvertently left off this list please let Shannon know.

## Those Serving

### 11/20/2016

Opening Prayer	Shane	<b>Announcements:</b>	<b>Shane</b>
Song Leader	James	Table: West	Gary
Scripture Reader	Pablo	Center	Chris
Closing Prayer	Shane	East	James
Devotion:	Shane	Preacher:	Tom
		Song Leader:	Jay

### 11/27/2016

Opening Prayer	Jeremy	<b>Announcements:</b>	<b>Chris</b>
Song Leader	Shane	Table: West	Tim
Scripture Reader	Tim	Center	Nate
Closing Prayer	James	East	Gary
Devotion:	Jay	Preacher:	Tom
<b>November:</b>	Lord's Supper: Amy	Song Leader:	Shane
		Sidewalks:	