

THIS NOVEMBER, JOIN PLYMOUTH 400
AND SHARE A MOMENT OF GRATITUDE WITH THE WORLD.

illuminate THANKSGIVING

Plymouth 400, the organization planning the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower voyage and founding of Plymouth Colony, invites you to join us in taking part in Illuminate Thanksgiving—a global event honoring the words of an American forefather, William Bradford:

*“For as one small candle may light a thousand,
so the light here kindled hath shone unto many.”*

The events that took place in Plymouth Colony almost 400 years ago still resonate across the globe as the seeds upon which this nation was sown.

Together, let's GIVE THANKS and GIVE BACK this thanksgiving season and illuminate our communities, our countries, and our world.

WE INVITE YOU TO HOST YOUR OWN ILLUMINATE EVENT, OR PARTICIPATE IN ONE NEAR YOU!



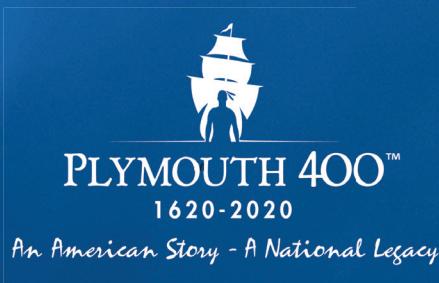


HERE'S HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

1. PICK A TIME & NAME YOUR PLACE
2. UPLOAD YOUR EVENT INFO TO OUR WEBSITE
3. INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO SHARE IN A MOMENT OF GRATITUDE
4. SHARE YOUR STORY WITH US VIA THE ILLUMINATE MOBILE APP
(AVAILABLE FOR APPLE AND ANDROID DEVICES ON OCTOBER 7)

Illuminate Thanksgiving gatherings can be as big as a city-wide event with live entertainment and hundreds of attendees, or as small as an intimate gathering of friends or family; you decide! You can upload your event's information to our website at www.plymouth400inc.org/illuminate

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO FIND
AN ILLUMINATE EVENT
NEAR YOU!
WWW.ILLUMINATETHANKSGIVING.ORG





Dear Friends throughout the NACCC family,

Plymouth 400; the organization formed to lead the planning of events and programs honoring the 400th anniversary of the 1620 Mayflower voyage and founding of Plymouth Colony invites you and their partners around the world to join them for an event to inspire giving thanks and giving back this November; Illuminate Thanksgiving.

Illuminate Thanksgiving is a Plymouth 400 Signature Event that honors the theme of thanksgiving and inspires communities across the globe to illuminate their lives and the lives of others. The Illuminate Thanksgiving event, is focused on the ideals of community and philanthropy. Inspired by the quote by William Bradford "As one small candle may light a thousand, so the light here kindled has shown unto many," this global celebration hopes to inspire all communities across the globe to "Give Thanks and Give Back!"

Each November Plymouth, Massachusetts joins together in a community-wide, candle-light ceremony with inspirational music, art, food, light displays, and other festivities. They'd like to invite your church to join this movement and host your own Illuminate Thanksgiving event!

Planning an Illuminate event can be as simple as lighting a candle with a group of people around a table, or as big as the celebration of giving held in Plymouth each year!

Here's how to get involved:

1. Pick a time and name your place!
2. Upload your event info to the Plymouth 400 website
3. Invite all to share in a moment of gratitude
4. Share your story with us via the Illuminate mobile app (Available for Apple and Android Devices on October 7th!)

It's that simple!

The benefits of Illuminate are numerous! By staging an Illuminate event, citizens are able to come together to celebrate giving and thankfulness with their family, friends, and neighbors. Along with this, the Illuminate events held for the past two years have led to the patronizing of many shops and restaurants by its attendees. This may or may not be true for you, depending on the scope of what your church decides to offer.

Through the use of the Illuminate app, your city and citizens can be connected to thousands of other people from all around the globe! This international celebration has partners in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and many more!

If you are interested in being a part of Illuminate Thanksgiving, visit <http://illuminatethanksgiving.org> to learn more, upload your event information, and join the movement!



You can also watch videos of past Illuminates here:

[Plymouth, MA](#)

[Plymouth, UK](#)

Please contact Plymouth 400 if you have any questions at sfey@plymouth400inc.org

We will also plan to promote the Illuminate Thanksgiving event on the NACCC website and list all participating churches. Please contact Morgan O'Hara at: mohara@naccc.org if your church decides to join in the celebration.

In God's Spirit,

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