

Dr. Burgess Special Address November 21, 2018
Gratitude and Thanksgiving

Hello, this is your Congressman Michael Burgess.

This week, North Texans and Americans around the country will gather together to express gratitude for our many blessings. Each year, Thanksgiving provides an opportunity to reflect on our good fortune and the many virtues that make America great.

This year, we have much for which to be thankful. For one, the American people are experiencing an economy that is working for them. The middle class is being rebuilt. As we enter the holiday season at a record-low unemployment rate, more Americans are working. And, thanks to tax reform that passed a year ago, families are keeping more of their hard-earned wages.

As Americans, we enjoy many rights and freedoms that were bought at a price. I am grateful for those who have served to protect our way of life. This holiday season, my prayers are with our nation's service members and their families.

As we sit down to enjoy Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, many men and women in uniform will be serving our nation overseas. Such selfless sacrifice is an integral part of the American fabric, and we are indeed indebted to them. Along with my fellow North Texans, I wish our service members a safe and expedient return home to their loved ones.

Those who celebrated the first Thanksgiving nearly four centuries ago may not have known what America would become. While we may disagree on policy from time to time, Americans can always unite around our common goals and common ideals.

I give thanks for each constituent of the 26th District of Texas, and I wish you and your family a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

As always, I appreciate your comments and your questions on this issue or any other issue. May God bless you and your family, may God bless our veterans and men and women in uniform, and as the song says, God bless you Texas.