

Children's sermon: November 23, 2008

"Play for me"

Not a good time of the year to be a turkey, right?

But Fred-the-turkey is special.

He has ideas about life ... he has feelings ... he is full of love.

BUT ----- HE CANNOT SPEAK!!

He has all this "good stuff" inside of him ... but he can't share it. He has "music in his soul" ...
and he can't play it.

Remember last Sunday? Karen spoke to us about what the church means to her and her brother.

Well ... her brother Danny can't speak ... doesn't say a word.

But ----- Karen speaks for him. She lets us know what is inside her brother's
heart and soul.

Who is going to speak for Fred the turkey with a heart??????

How will people ever know what he is thinking, and feeling, and wondering???

Can you help?

Are you willing to speak and "play music" for those who can't do it on their own???

Well ---- here is your chance.

I have a microphone for you ... one for you ... hey, one for you.

I have a harmonica for you ... flute for you.

NOW ----- all together ... let's play some music: speak into your "mike" ... toot your flute ...
a little harmony from your harmonica!!

YES ---- ITS' ALL GOOD!@!

And listen ... Fred-the-turkey is actually singing ...

You have inspired him to speak for himself!!

This is what life is about speaking for others ... making music for others ...
and just maybe ----- you can give them the courage to speak for themselves.

Sometimes ----- people can't speak with their voice.

But somehow ... God gives them that "inner something" to speak with their eyes ... their heart ...
and their soul.

Enjoy your instruments ---- they are instruments of love!!