## Ombre' Pumpkin Craft

Materials:

Pumpkin Wooden Cut-out

Red Paint

Orange Paint

Yellow Paint

Vinyl cut-out (Harvest, Thankful, Blessed)

Paint Brushes

Cup of water

Old Credit Card, Gift Card, or other tool to rub on the vinyl cut-out

Optional: Paper Plate, Hair Dryer

Step 1: Set out your space with newspaper and set up your paints. Use the paper plate to mix some of the red and orange paint and the orange and yellow paint.

Step 2: Begin painting with the RED paint at the top of the pumpkin. Go down about an inch of the way.

Step 3: Repeat step 3 with the mixed ORANGE and RED paint, ORANGE paint, ORANGE and YELLOW, and finally the YELLOW paint.

\*Allow time to dry your paint in between each coat of paint. You could use a hair dryer to speed up the process.

Step 4: While allowing the pumpkin to dry, use your gift card/credit card to rub (burnish) on the back of the paper side of the vinyl. This will make it easier to

get the vinyl off of the shiny side of the paper. You will use the provided contact paper to remove the vinyl cut-out.

Step 5: Position the vinyl cut-out on to the DRIED pumpkin. The pumpkin needs to be completely dried in order for the vinyl to properly adhere to the pumpkin. This could be saved for another day or you can use your hair dryer to move the drying process along.

Step 6: Once you have positioned the vinyl cut-out on the pumpkin how you want it, then burnish the contact paper to help the vinyl adhere to the pumpkin.

Step 7: Begin to carefully remove the contact paper. A trick of the trade is to use your credit card/gift card to gently pull back the contact paper AND keep the contact paper at about the same level as the pumpkin.

The vinyl we are using is permanent vinyl, it shouldn't come off of the sign unless you really pull at it.