

## Luther Manor Continuing Precautions Related to COVID-19

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The safety of our residents and staff remain our top priority and we will continue with our protocols, precautions and daily screening of staff and all Health Care Center and Assisted Living Residents. All visitor protocols remain. If you have any questions please let us know.

Thank you for your support, partnerships and commitment to our residents and staff as the pandemic continues to evolve. Please continue to connect with your loved ones as often as you can. Don't forget our Sharing God's Love team is here to help! Just email [SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org](mailto:SharingGodsLove@LutherManor.org) to get started.

### Shout out of thanks!

- **Thank you, Mary Tollander and St. John's Lutheran Church in Brookfield** for all the encouragement that continues with this generous donation of Easter gift bags for our residents in need!



### Campus Update

- We have finalized the guidelines and protocols to begin in person worship service and mass starting this Sunday, March 21st.



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At the present time, in order to share the opportunity with residents across campus, Terrace residents may attend worship in the Faith and Education Center on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month and the Health Care Center and Assisted Living Residents will be on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sunday of each month. We kindly ask that when residents wish to attend in person, they sign up to one worship service per month, until others wishing to attend have had a chance. We will keep a 'waiting list' of 2 residents for each service in case of last-minute cancellations. With resident small group participation from 10 to 15 people, we will use this standard in the Faith & Education center as well.

All of our previous precautions remain in place and must be utilized to attend small group events/activities. These include residents wearing their mask, using hand sanitizer before and after the service, social distancing at all times and attending only if they have no COVID-19 symptoms.

- As a reminder all current visitor restrictions remain in place. Changes to the Independent Living Terrace visitor guidelines/plans are being finalized and will be announced next week. Changes to the Health Care Center, the Courtyards and River Oaks reopening plans, including new visitor guidelines will be coming out the first week of April.
- With Easter Sunday approaching fast, we are allowing family members to pick up their loved ones that live in the Health Care Center and Courtyards and River Oaks on April 4th. If the resident has received their second COVID vaccination by March 22nd they will not be required to self-isolate upon their return. If they have not, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days after their return. Please schedule your Easter Sunday pickup with your loved ones' Life Enrichment Coordinator or Unit Secretary, so we can be sure to have them ready and coordinated with all other residents being picked up, as well as all the other resident services that day. Terrace Independent Living residents are already able to leave the facility, there is no change to that process.

## Campus Happenings

- For a recent follow up on a grant we applied for, we needed to share the programming that has happened on our in house tv channel, affectionately called Luther Manor TV. From my quick calculations we started out slow in March of last year and picked up quickly to now broadcast 18 - 20 programs per day. Rudimentary math showed me that we have broadcast over 5,500 programs/shows since COVID started. All programming has been geared towards enriching our residents mind, body and soul!

Here is one of our latest programs! Rhoda the Comfort Dog has been a staple at Luther Manor for years, so instead of bringing her through the building, we educated our residents on what it took for Rhoda to become so awesome.



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Nancy, her handler taught us about Rhoda's training, her care routine, and all the special ways that she comforts people who need it most. She sure was cute!



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