



March 5, 2021
COVID Update

Dear Residents, Tenants, and Families,

I don't have a lot to report, but I wanted to do a quick update for those of you that follow these closely.

We tested employees at the Luther Place Nursing Home on Monday, March 1, and all test results came back negative for the COVID-19 virus. We did not test residents at the Luther Place site. This is because the county positivity rate is low, and because we have not had a positive COVID finding among residents or staff in the last 14 days.

At the Fountain Lake site, we tested nursing home residents and employees. These test results all came back negative as well. Last week, we had one employee that works at the Woodlands that tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

Residents at the Luther Place Nursing Home are able to have Essential Caregiver and Family and Friend Visitors. Hopefully, we will be able to have Family and Friend Visitors at the Woodlands starting next week. We need to get through the COVID testing next Monday without any residents or staff that test positive for the virus. I would really like to open our doors to a few more visitors, so hopefully we have good test results next week at both St. John's locations.

With the recent nice weather, it's easy to dream about spring and getting outside for fresh air. At the Luther Place site, many of the residents enjoy sitting outside the chapel entrance and catching the sunshine while watching people come and go. There are also some really nice gardens that are fun to keep an eye on as the flowers and vegetables are growing and maturing throughout the spring and summer months.

At the Fountain Lake site, there are some nice walking trails, including one trail that leads down to the lake. As winter melts into spring and the days become longer and warmer, this is a great time of the year to take your spouse, sibling, mom, or dad out for some fresh air. We all have been pretty cooped up over the last few months, so getting outside will be a much needed and welcomed treat.

Please continue to take precautions to protect yourself and others from the COVID-19 virus. If you have the opportunity to receive the vaccine, please get it as soon as you can. The vaccine will help to protect you and your family member that you are visiting at St. John's.

God Bless,

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