



SUNNYSIDE VILLAGE

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A Christian Senior Living Community

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Village Residential Living COVID-19 Update

Merry Christmas is the greeting we share so freely on this day. It is a greeting that has special meaning—spiritually and socially. We celebrate the birth of Jesus, who is central in God’s plan for this world and our lives. Our emotional experiences around this season shape how we walk through these days. For some of us, this greeting fills us with delight, and for others, it conjures up memories that can be very hard. Whatever your experience around December 25th, this is a time to be sensitive to those around you and their experiences. We celebrate this day, not because of the presents we receive or have given, but because of the gift God gave to us of His Son and the gift you give to each other throughout the year! May you have a blessed Christmas!

The Bell will ring at 4:19 p.m. on Christmas Day, calling us to 10 minutes of *Silent Prayer Around the Lake* for all the people at Sunnyside and throughout the world dealing with Covid-19. Gather on the sidewalk around the lake, join from your lanai, or participate wherever you are.

Fitness Center Adjustments

Those who use the Fitness Center in the Corporate Office have been very patient with the limitation of the hours and the required protocols. Effective immediately, the outside door will be open from 8:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m., 7 days a week, for exercisers to participate at their convenience. However, there is no change in the protocols – each person will be expected to honor the following protocols:

- Reserve your time on the clipboard right inside the exterior door
- Two persons are permitted in the Fitness Center at a time
- Verify that you do not have a temperature when you come to exercise
- Distance while exercising
- Wear your face mask while exercising
- Sanitize before and after equipment use
- Exercise at your own risk

COVID-19 is still in our midst. The numbers continue to rage. The good news is a vaccine is on its way. The FDA just approved the second vaccine produced by Moderna. Distribution of it has begun. SMH is anticipating its arrival now. The targeted recipients are being driven by Governor DeSantis. We will keep you posted regarding its availability when we learn anything new. For now, let us celebrate that the vaccine is becoming increasingly available.

Coronavirus Update

We had one new positive test for a staff member in the Health Center this week. Regular testing of the Health Services staff is being implemented in accordance with CMS and CDC guidance.

Chapel Programming

The weekly worship service will be Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. You have two options for participating in the service, 1) attend the service in person in the Chapel, or 2) attend the service through the live broadcast on Channel 195 or 103 in the Manor and Health Center.

Christian Life Class will resume on January 7th at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

Transportation staff will be taking the temperature of the residents before transporting them to appointments. If the temperature is above 99.6 degrees, the resident will not be allowed on the bus or transported in the vehicle.

Visitation Guidance

- **Permitted on campus** – residents, staff, medical personnel, caregivers, approved housekeepers, local friends and family members, campus service providers, trades, and federal agency personnel.
- **Visit neighbors** in your homes or outside, practicing social or physical distancing. Walk or meet up outdoors with proper physical distancing/face coverings when within 6-10 feet of others.
- **Family and friends from off-campus** should go directly to your home, wear face coverings while on campus and not remain in common areas. Physically distanced walks around the campus are acceptable.

What is Happening

- Screening at the Checkpoint
- Sunnyside Health & Rehabilitation Center and Sunnyside Manor Assisted Living visitation information is available at 371-2729, Ext. 690
- Personal housekeepers permitted if approved by Terrie Kimbrell or J. David Yoder
- Deliveries from Shipt, Instacart, Grubhub, etc. can be left for you at the Checkpoint
- Amazon, FedEx, and UPS deliveries are dropped off at the Checkpoint and wiped down before delivery on campus
- Lakeside Dining meal pickup/delivery; limited in-house dining
- Shopping and prescription pickup services
- Shopping on the Sunnyside bus
- Transportation to essential medical appointments at no charge if you do not own a car, have quit driving, or have not left campus since March 16 – call Ext. 266
- Updated information is available on Channel 195 and the *SunnysideConnect* app

May you experience God's blessing through our Christmas holiday. You help make Sunnyside Village a very blessed community.

Merry Christmas!

J. David Yoder

Executive Director, Sunnyside Village