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Our Mission

Through Christian love and excellence we are dedicated to providing a fulfilling lifestyle and promoting independence to those we serve.

Our Vision

A world where all people thrive and live with purpose.

Our Values

We believe in the immeasurable value of every person. Empowered by Christ's love, we joyfully serve with humility, integrity, compassion, and respect.



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Note From Carrie

Director of Resident Experience, Carrie Brindley

Welcome to November! Soon, the days will shorten, the leaves will change, and autumn themed activities will flavor our daily lives. It is the time of the year when the air gets crisper and we all look forward to spending more time with our friends and families. I love this time of the year and I continuously remind myself that the consistency of the earth's seasons is a reflection of its Maker and the steadiness of His character. James 1:17 tells us, "Every good gift and perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. He is the bountiful giver of all good things and sheds on us the light of his love and purity."

In November we celebrate National Gratitude Month which encourages us to embrace the power of gratitude. Gratitude is more than simply saying "thank you." Gratitude has the ability to shift us from focusing on the negative to appreciating what is positive in our lives. Practicing daily gratitude gives us a deeper connection to ourselves, the world around us, and our Creator. Everything in our lives has the ability to improve when we are grateful. Research has shown that gratitude can enhance our moods, decrease stress, and drastically improve our overall health and well-being. On average, grateful people tend to have fewer stress-related illnesses and experience less depression and lowered blood pressure, they are more physically fit and they are happier! I am grateful to each and every one of you for being part of the Fellowship Square family! I hope you have a very blessed holiday with those you cherish most. Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours,

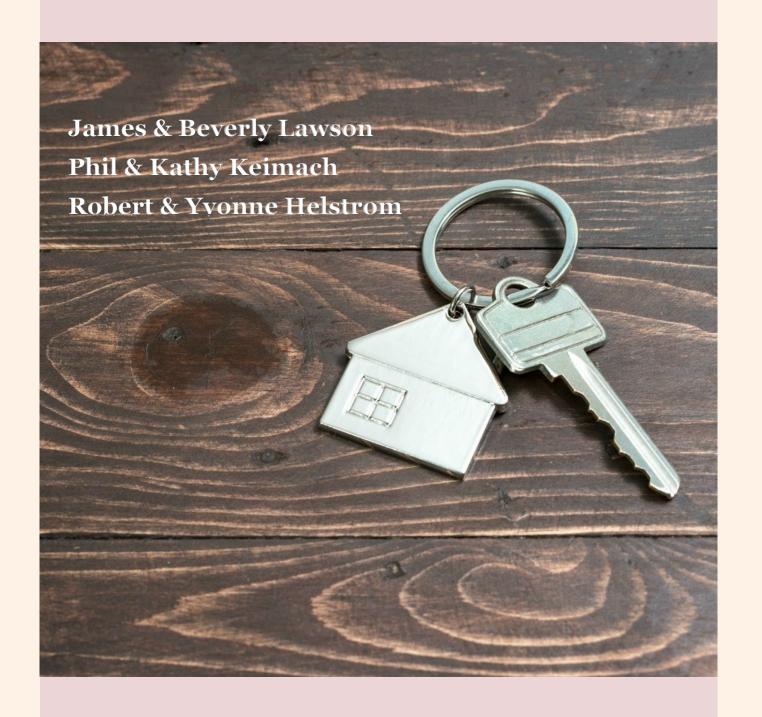
~ Carrie



You Make a Difference

"As Thanksgiving Day approaches, *Our blessings* we recall; *The things we* are most thankful for, we recollect them all. *You are really* special in all you say and do. You make a difference in others' lives; We're thankful now for you."

New Residents Welcome Home ~ We're So Glad You're Here!



Special Events in November

11/1 ~ Activity Chat with Barb 11/1 ~ Entertainment Hour with Tim Hern 11/4 ~ Coffee with Curana 11/4 ~ Luxe Apothicaire Lotion Bars & Lip Balms with Jennifer 11/5 ~ Seasonal Florals with Kathryn 11/5, 11/12, 11/19 ~ Great Courses: Metropolitan Museum of Art $11/5 \sim$ Voter Transportation 11/6 ~ Flannel and Friends Happy Hour 11/6 ~ Entertainment Hour with Pianist, Nicole Pesce 11/7, 11/14, 11/21 ~ Tai Chi with Jack 11/7 ~ Southwest Mobility Walker/Wheelchair Service $11/7 \sim 1$ st Floor Block Party 11/8 ~ Boutique Extravaganza 11/9 ~ Resident Artisan Craft Sale $11/11 \sim$ Avon with Michelle 11/11 ~ Salute to Veterans with Floyd 11/12 ~ Earrings for You 11/13 ~ Turkey Gobblers Treat Class 11/13 ~ Mary Kay Cosmetics 11/13, 11/19~ Surviving the Holidays 11/13 ~ Entertainment Hour with Banjoist, Ellen Davis 11/14, 11/21 ~ Art in Action with Liz Bercovich 11/14 ~ 2nd Floor Block Party 11/14 ~ New Resident Mixer & Orientation 11/15 ~ Turkey Toss 11/18 ~ Digital Sound Solutions: Hearing Aide Cleaning 11/18 ~ Neighborhood Navigators Meeting 11/18 ~ Snap Jewelry with Ilene 11/20 ~ November Birthday Celebration 11/20 ~ Entertainment Hour with T.A. Burrows 11/21 ~ Paparazzi Jewelry 11/21 ~ 3rd Floor Block Party 11/21 ~ Resident Meeting with Carrie 11/22 ~ Outing—Lake Pleasant Narration Cruise $11/22 \sim$ Entertainment Hour with Sonoran Sounds 11/25 ~ Handmade Items with Karen $11/25 \sim$ Turkey Trot Races 11/25 ~ Self Care Presentation with Curana Health 11/26 ~ Thanksgiving Service with Chaplain Dan 11/26 ~ Brain Health & Cognition with Edith from Functional Pathways 11/27 ~ Autumn Harvest Tea 11/27 ~ Entertainment Hour with Trumpeter, Dan Reed an Pianist, Jim Whitaker 11/29 ~ Lunch Bunch Outing—Bonfire Craft Kitchen

Chaplain Chats ~ Campus Chaplain, Dan Brookey

Crunch, Crunch, Crunch... the sound of leaves, the smell of crisp air. Wait, what? We are just coming out of 100-degree weather. How can we say it's fall? Well, I suppose the calendar tells us it is fall, even though our weather doesn't. Fall is a feeling too. I think about the upcoming holidays of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and yes New Years. On Thanksgiving, our family will more than likely be playing croque and enjoying the outdoors in short sleeve attire, while a lot of the nation will be wearing winter clothes. As I am writing this article, the temperature outside is 73 degrees. Now the radio announcers are saying we "lost" fall and went from Summer to Winter. In life we don't skip seasons. But what I do, and know many of you do as well, is to speak about the various seasons of life we have been through. We reminisce about the things of the past, both positive and negative. God tells us through the Prophet Isaiah to "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." 43:18-19. This doesn't mean we should totally forget our past, but we shouldn't dwell in it. We have a future and are entering a new season. We must not miss out on today or what God has in store for us in the next season of life by staying in the past. Seasons produce a time to pause but also a time for renewal. God created the seasons, in part, for renewal. The seasons of our lives can give us purpose. Solomon had a very honest approach regarding the seasons of life. Solomons comments regarding these seasons, and yes, sometime the futility thereof, are for a purpose. In Ecclesiastes 3:1 Solomon says, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the sun." As you continue in the path of life God has presented to you let Him renew your spirit. Ephesians 4:22-24 says, "You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness." Bask in the presence of God while flourishing in your season of life. May I leave you with a prayer of promise that I saw from Marissa Zimmet online. Lord, You make beautiful things out of dust. After every winter, there comes a spring, dwelling with new life and new fruit, just as you promised. Help me to remember, when I am going through a season of shedding old skin, that, with You, I shall be renewed. Amen. ~Chaplain Dan

Look Who's Having a Birthday!





Life Around Our House











































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