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LINDEN PLACE NEWS

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• FROM THE DESK OF • the Chaplain

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" (Isaiah 43:18-19 ESV)

I love Fall, with lush green leaves changing into beautiful shades of reds, yellows, and browns. As I sit on my deck, I welcome the cooler weather, especially after a hot and dry summer. It's time for garden clean up. Smells change, too. There is the smell of rotting leaves, mixed with mushroom smells. Someone in the neighbourhood is burning yard waste, and the wind is chasing the dry leaves across the yard. And there is also the crunchy sound of the dry leaves under my feet? Many things change in Fall.

As I meditate on the changes Fall brings, I cannot help but see our human experience reflecting. We, too, go through all kinds of seasons as we journey through life. Some are seasons of hard times; others are characterized by joyful events, loneliness, loss, or gain. Every season brings change. Often, we leave something behind as we experience something new. New beginnings on one side are closely related to change and loss on the other.

I am reminded of how the Lord Jesus helps us along the journey. His promise to be with us is found many times in the scriptures. In Matthew 28:20, Jesus himself promises, "And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." In Psalm 23:4, we read, "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Christians never walk alone. In the process, God wants us to grow in Christ, become more like Him, trust, and love Him more. We sometimes say that God allows hardships to get our attention. I believe it is true. Though troubles are not from God, He allows them.

I want to use this opportunity to give you a brief Health update.

First, I want to thank all tenants and staff for your concern, support, and prayers along the way. As you have witnessed, my appearance has changed over the past months from walking normally to using a cane and riding in a wheelchair. I am seeing specialists and going through tests to find out what is causing this change of health. As of now, I don't have any diagnosis or prognosis. I want to assure you that I will be around as always to serve you as your chaplain as good as I can and as long as I am able. Thank you for your understanding and support.

This Fall, I want to encourage you to consider the changes seen outside and reflect on your journey through past and present seasons of change. May this Fall season remind you of God's grace, peace and faithfulness.

Ron Babel, Chaplain



THANKSGIVING LUNCH!

Wednesday, October 7th 2 sittings - 11:30 and 1:00

We're planning a casual lunch of pizza, chicken, dessert, coffee, tea & punch.

Cost: \$10

Please sign up by Monday, Oct. 5



Communion Service

Sunday, October 11 at 9:30 am

Please join us in the MPR as Ron Babel leads a Thanksgiving Communion service.



Interested in getting the Flu Shot?

Fernwood Place will be hosting a Flu Clinic on November 3, and flu shots will be available at both Shoppers and Sobeys in the near future. Details to follow.

Coffee With Friends

Thursday, October 15 at 9:30 am

Bring your own coffee and join together

for some visiting in the MPR.





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Thursday, October 22 ~ 1 pm

Join us for a hymn sing in the MPR, choose your favourite hymns!

Pumpkin Carving Event!

Wednesday, October 28 at 10 am
Cost: FREE!

Come and carve some pumpkins, all the tools and easy templates will be provided.

Don't want to carve? Just come to watch!



POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Please note that staff are not allowed to receive gifts or gift cards from tenants, thank you for respecting our policy on this matter.

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S M W S 2 3 Please note: 9:30 am - Coffee Time Janie will be on vacation from October 9-18 and back in the office on October 19. 9 10 5 9:30 am - Coffee 12:30 pm - Bingo 11:30am & 1pm-Time **Thanksgiving** 6:45 pm - Bible Meal Study 12 13 14 16 15 11 17 Office Closed 12:30 pm - Bingo 9:30 am -9:30 am - Coffee Communion with Friends Нарру 6:45 pm - Bible Servie **Thanksgiving** Study 18 22 24 19 20 21 23 12:30 pm - Bingo 9:30 am - Coffee Time 6:45 pm -1:00 pm - Hymn **Bible Study** Sing 28 29 30 25 26 27 31 1 pm - Birthday 9:30 am - Coffee 12:30 pm - Bingo Time **Party** 6:45 pm - Bible Study