

**PLEASE READ... BETHANY MANOR COVID-19 UPDATE FOR BETHANY RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES – December 17, 2020**

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You are receiving this communication because you are a resident of Bethany, or you have provided, and/or a Bethany resident(s) has provided your email address as they have identified you as their family/friend contact person.

Upon further consultation with authorities, we are following standard recommendations in response to a positive COVID case in a complex like Bethany Manor. These recommendations are based on the safety of the entire Bethany community and the community at large. These recommendations include the closing of all activity rooms and restricting gatherings in all common areas for the next 30 days. This has been common practice for complexes like ours when a positive COVID case occurs.

These closures will affect the following Bethany areas:

- All activity/puzzle rooms, Fellowship Centre (including worship gatherings), exercise room, quilting/sewing room, gift shop, woodworking room, table tennis room, library, games room, billiards room, TV/fireplace lounge area in the dining room, Bethany Place Lower Level fireplace lounge area, and any other common rooms.
- Lobbies or any other common spaces should not be used for gatherings.
- The salon, the barber and other non-essential services will not be available.
- Other services normally provided in the Bethany Place Lower Level, such as foot care, massage, etc. are also suspended.

The Medical Clinic will operate according to their protocols.

The Nook will remain open for grocery supplies for residents; including Court residents. We ask that you only go to the Nook as necessary. Purchase groceries for an extended period; don't come everyday.

The dining room will continue to provide social distanced services for their current clientele. Meal deliveries will continue as per normal.

Maintenance personnel will only enter suites for emergency/urgent purposes.

Foot traffic between different buildings of the complex is not encouraged. We recommend that residents remain in their respective buildings and further recommend that residents not leave the complex unless it is essential or for outdoor exercise.

The latest government order, as we learned yesterday, allows only essential visitors for a complex like Bethany. It does make an exception for single residents to connect with one other person or household. Due to our situation, we recommend that residents take advantage of that exception with Bethany residents only.

Thank you for your on-going cooperation.

Bethany Manor/Saskatoon Mennonite Care Services Inc.