



Dear Family and Friends of Redstone Residents,

Here are your COVID-19 updates for Thursday, April 16, 2020

In a call this morning with Westmoreland County officials, we were told that 11 senior living communities in the county have active cases of COVID-19. We continue to be grateful that we do not have cases here at Redstone and pray that we will make our way through this crisis, safely.

Next week, we will continue conversations in our administration as to how to safely establish our “new normal” at Redstone. We know that we will need to be vigilant with our infection control practices, but we also know that it is important for our residents to return to those things they are missing as soon as it is safe: visits from family, meals in the dining rooms, group activities, going to the store, etc. For now, we will continue our best practices of physical distancing and no visitors, hoping that brighter days are ahead of us. I will keep you posted as those plans develop. Unless we have critical updates to share with you, after tomorrow’s letter we will go to a weekly COVID-19 update letter. I hope you will welcome this as another sign that we are moving in a positive direction.

I wanted to share a poem with you written by Laura Kelly Fanucci from Minnesota. As you read it, I encourage you to think about what YOU will not take for granted once this time of isolation is behind us:

When this is over, may we never again take for granted  
A handshake with a stranger  
Full shelves at the store  
Conversations with neighbors  
A crowded theater  
Friday night out  
The taste of communion  
A routine checkup  
The school rush each morning  
Coffee with a friend  
The stadium roaring  
Each deep breath  
A boring Tuesday  
Life itself.

When this ends  
may we find  
that we have become  
more like the people  
we wanted to be  
we were called to be  
we hoped to be  
and may we stay  
that way — better  
for each other  
because of the worst."

My prayers remain with all of us that God will keep us safe.  
Sincerely,

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PS. Please try to limit drop-offs of care packages to Monday through Friday from 2 – 7 pm. Thank you!