



A National Lutheran Community

To: All residents, families and team members
From: Erin Wheeler, Healthcare Administrator
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Subject: Path Forward Update

Memorandum

It's the time of year that Christmas trees shine bright throughout the community, and Advent candles are lit. This week, many residents met together to celebrate Hanukkah with a reading of the Hanukkah story, and Jewish faith residents shared their stories of how they celebrated with their families in the past. Sparkling cider, jelly-filled donuts and chocolate gelt coins completed the celebration.

Just in time for holiday gift buying, the Gift Shop in the Health Center will re-open for shopping! Residents, guests and team members are invited to shop from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the days listed below. Cash and credit cards will be accepted.

Wednesday, December 15

Wednesday, December 22

Wednesday, December 29

We are also excited to welcome volunteers back into the community to staff the Gift Shop during these hours. If you are interested, please contact Isabel Bouchard, volunteer coordinator, at 301-354-8462 or mbouchard@thevillageatrockville.org.

The salon will be available for Christmas week salon services on Wednesday, December 22 for long-term care residents and Thursday, December 23 for assisted living residents.

As a reminder, our current visitation guidelines encourage family and friends to visit anytime throughout the day, but guests may not stay overnight. Our current guidelines can be found on the Path Forward page on our website here: [Visitation Guidelines](#)

For Health Center residents leaving our community to be with family during the holidays, please coordinate the leave with the care coach or nurse on duty in advance to ensure residents have what they need while they are away from the community.

As we move forward into 2022, our Path Forward updates will be used to communicate essential information or operational changes as necessary, rather than on a regular schedule. The Path Forward page of our website listed above will continue to be a resource for current visitation guidelines. We also encourage you to follow [The Village at Rockville Facebook page](#) for updates and pictures of community life.

We continue to be blessed by so many encouraging words of gratitude from residents and their families. If you have something special that you'd like to share, please email me at ewheeler@thevillageatrockville.org. I'll be sure to pass it along to our team members. As a community of friends, we have conquered much together over the past 21 months. We have grown stronger together, and we look forward to the year ahead. On behalf of our entire community, we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!