



THE LODGE LINK



Happy Easter

Every few years, Easter falls in the month of April, where we celebrate the most important event in the history of all mankind.

We celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We spend time in Lent preparing for the celebration of that day. It all started on Palm Sunday when Jesus entered Jerusalem in a wave of popularity where the crowds were yelling ‘Hosanna, Hosanna, to the King’. Jesus entered the city that day in tears for two reasons. First: in a short 70 years, the city of Jerusalem would be destroyed and second: within seven days, the crowds would change their shouting to ‘Crucify Him, Crucify Him’.

Jesus, after the final time with His disciples in the Upper Room, went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. Judas betrayed Him and Jesus was tried, beaten, and hung on a cross to die on Good Friday. His disciples were devastated by His death.

Jesus, then three days later, arose from the grave in triumph over death and sin. That is the reason why Easter and the event of that day, the resurrection of Jesus, is the most important day in the history of man. For it was on that day, Jesus died for our sins and was resurrected with victory over sin and death, to give all who believe in Him eternal life. The Bible says in John 3:16 “For God so loved the world that He gave us only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life”.

Pastor Tom

You are invited to join us for Easter Dinner.
Sunday, April 4 from 11:30a.m. - 1:00p.m.

Dine-in or Take-out
Honey Baked Ham or Beef Roast

Please RSVP to *2800



Easter Worship Services

1:00p.m. or 2:00p.m.

Sign up or view on 991

Mission: *The mission of Presbyterian Homes & Services is to honor God by enriching the lives and touching the hearts of older adults.*

Vision: *To provide more choices and opportunities for more older adults to live well.*

Values:

*Christian Ministry
Ready & Engaged People
Operational Integrity
Service Excellence
Stewardship*

LODGE FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

These Hands

She has an adventurous spirit, determination, compassion, and faith. Her positive attitude comes shining through. Sara Gaffey was born on August 14, 1940 in Parsons, Kansas. When Sara was 5, her family moved to the country of Venezuela where her father worked for an oil company. Sara spent her summers in Kansas with her grandparents. She recalled a time when they stopped in Cuba for cigars for her grandpa. Sara still has the box the cigars came in. At age 15, Sara attended a girl's school in Mississippi and spent her summers in Venezuela.



After graduating high school, Sara attended Kansas University to pursue her dream of acting. During her sophomore year, she dropped out to get married. She said this was not her wisest move, but she does not regret it, as she was blessed with two sons. Sara and her husband divorced after 11 years. She moved to Texas to live with her mother and worked as a copywriter for a advertising agency. She enjoyed her job for 5 years and then moved back to Salina, Kansas where she found success in selling real estate.

Sara always longed to finish her college education. So she enrolled back in school and met the love of her life, Robert Duffield. Robert designed their home and they built it together. They had an art studio and Sara taught art to children. Sara and Robert divorced in 1997 and she moved to San Francisco to pursue her Masters Degree in Counseling and Art Therapy. She practiced in Santa Fe, New Mexico, Portland, Oregon and in the mountains near Denver, Colorado.

In 2000, Sara took a trip of a lifetime to travel across Europe. She visited the island of Elba and Sicily in Italy, the Czech Republic, and Poland. After her trip, she returned back to Colorado where she counseled abused children. Sara left Colorado when her son was diagnosed with cancer, she wanted to be with him through his treatment. After his full recovery, Sara made her way to Minnesota to be with her sister and family. She continued with her career in counseling and expanded into family counseling which became her favorite.

At age 68 Sara suffered a stroke. With intense therapy and determination, she recovered well, but it affected her ability to walk and use her right arm and hand. Sara moved to Timber Hills in early 2020. She enjoys being close to her family and has made close friends a Timber. Sara's adventurous spirit, determination, positive attitude and faith has shaped who she is today. Sara loves the 23rd Psalm and she says, "It pretty much wraps up what God is." Thank you for sharing your story. *Sara's self portrait that she painted is shown above.*

Jennie Fick, Resident Services Director



April Birthdays



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| Merle Borchers | 3 | Joann Myhrman | 19 |
| Chuck Schiller | 3 | Kevin Howe | 20 |
| Caroline Clark | 7 | Walt Lindberg | 20 |
| Lois Anderson | 8 | Bruce Hoeffel | 23 |
| Betty Bauer | 8 | Josanne McCarver | 24 |
| Lorri Evans | 9 | Sharon Doody | 25 |
| Mike Demars | 10 | Tom Evans | 25 |
| Lee Lehmann | 10 | Marilyn Deters | 26 |
| Ron Schmidt | 14 | Connie Edgett | 27 |
| Mary Thera | 16 | Mary Frizell | 28 |
| Jerry Parupsky | 18 | Karol Richardson | 29 |



Terrace

Jean Kukacka

Ken Marble

Townhomes

Cliff Bickerstaff & Cheryl Kinney

LODGE LIGHTS

PHS Foundation – A Thoughtful Way to Say “I Care”

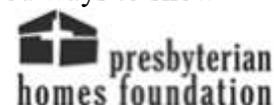
Showing people that you care about them is a special part of life. And sometimes finding the right gift to express your feelings can be difficult. Presbyterian Homes’ *Tribute Giving* program makes it easy for you. You will feel good and your honoree will feel special.

Every tribute gift goes to support the mission of PHS to honor God by enriching the lives and touching the hearts of older adults. At this time of year, with Mother’s Day, Memorial Day, and Father’s Day approaching, you are invited to honor or remember someone special in your life. This is a time for us to reflect on those who touch or have touched our hearts – a parent, grandparent, family member or a dear friend.

To make a tribute gift *In Memory Of* or *In Honor Of* a special person in your life, please call the Presbyterian Homes Foundation at 651-631-6105, 651-631-6416 or 651-631-6418. Or if you prefer to make your gift online, please **visit preshomes.org** and click on **Make a Gift**.

As always, you may designate your gift to support greatest needs, employees, resident benevolence or spiritual care at your community.

We hope that you are well and looking forward to spring. May this time of year provide you ways to show gratitude for those who have touched your life.



The Days are Looking Brighter

I know many of you are eager to see COVID guidelines and restrictions lifted so we are able to provide more in person life enrichment and spiritual care programs. MDH guidance is that we continue to offer separate programs for assisted living and independent living residents. Most programs require you to sign up.

Your April calendar reflects many changes, including more Terrace & Townhome resident run activities, such as card games and Ladies & Gents night.

Val, Life Enrichment Director, had a well attended meeting with the Terrace residents, and we hope to continue to add more programs in the coming months.

Pastor Tom is offering 2 bible studies and 2 worship services for those who wish to re-engage in person to practice their faith.

We continue to watch for our opportunity to resume continental breakfast where we can provide it in a similar fashion as pre-COVID. As soon as that opportunity arises we will move forward!

Stacy Carlsrud, Campus Administrator

In light of Spring, what we experience in MN.



**First the howling blizzard woke us,
then the rain came down to soak us,
and now before the eye can focus,
CROCUS!**

By Lilja Rogers

Submitted by Marjorie Watson, Terrace resident



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EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY.
ALL FAITHS WELCOME.

Volunteers offer God's grace in various forms

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. ~ 1 Peter 4:10

Happy National Volunteer Month! While we may not see large celebrations until later this fall; we can't let this moment pass without sharing our gratitude. Thank you to all our volunteers for your steadfast dedication to our ministry and the people it has touched over the past year.

We have all had to reimagine our lives, what we can give of ourselves and how we can continue to share our gifts with others. Some of you began visiting via phone with other residents, volunteers, or college students. Many of you sent cards or wrote letters; sewed masks and gowns or knitted prayer squares. Some helped with clerical opportunities so that staff could focus on offering more activities for small groups or one on one and ensuring that residents could continue to connect with their family members. No matter how you spent the last 12 months, if it included volunteering, we appreciate you.

As we begin to reintroduce volunteer roles into our PHS communities, we urge you to speak to the Volunteer Director at your PHS community about ways to share your time and talents. Please keep in mind that volunteering will indeed look different as we move forward. We thank you for your grace as we continue to learn how to navigate this new reality.

One thing is true and unchanging; volunteers make the world a brighter place. And the past year has been a testament to this truth, our communities are brighter with volunteers in them.

Thank you,

*Samantha Sleeman,
PHS Volunteer Services Director*

*Jess Drecktrah
Vice President, Life Enrichment*