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UPDATE TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Hello, unfortunately we have not received any further guidance from the Ministry of Long Term Care regarding the visiting changes announced by the Premier on Tuesday for the areas of the province with an increasing community spread of Covid19, which includes Ottawa. The goal is to keep everyone safe during this second wave of Covid19 that we are now experiencing.

The following is our understanding of the status for visiting as of Monday, Oct. 5:

1. Essential Visitors will continue for those visiting a resident who is very ill or palliative. These residents are identified by the clinical care requirements at any given time.
2. Each resident can identify two Designated Caregivers and these two visitors can continue to visit. These visits will be limited to one person at a time. Please ensure that you are coordinating with the other designated caregiver so that you are not planning to visit at the same time.
3. Garden visits will not continue, so the last garden visits will be on Sunday, Oct. 4 (weather permitting)
4. General Visitors will not be able to visit as of Oct. 5.
5. Short Stay outings and overnight outings cannot continue as of Monday, Oct. 5, during this period of visitor restrictions.

Essential visitors, including designated caregivers must have had a negative Covid19 test result in the past 14 days to be able to visit. Visitors will continue to be screened at the entrance.

If we receive specific guidance on visiting between now and Monday, we will provide this information in an update. We do not know what period of time these new requirements will be in place. I can only assume that it will be until Ottawa's community spread is significantly lower and will be provided that information from Ottawa Public Health.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic the monthly Anglican service is on hold. However those with internet access can follow the Sunday service at St. Thomas the Apostle Anglican parish at the following link: https://link.spamstopshere.net/u/2ab129cc/DHFK-EAE6xGMA6Mmh3soMg?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.youtube.com%2Fchannel%2FUCdjf851Vj2QURLDVrgsn4uQ%3Fview_as%3Dsubscriber

Be safe and remember to wear your mask and socially distance from others,

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