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Our Mission

Through Christian love and excellence we are dedicated to providing a fulfilling lifestyle and promoting independence to those we serve.

Our Vision

A world where all people thrive and live with purpose.

Our Values

We believe in the immeasurable value of every person. Empowered by Christ's love, we joyfully serve with humility, integrity, compassion, and respect.



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Note From Carrie

Director of Resident Experience, Carrie Brindley

Fellowship Square Surprise is honored to celebrate the incredible mothers who call our community home. These remarkable women have spent their lives nurturing, guiding, and uplifting those around them, leaving an indelible mark on generations to come. Their wisdom, love, and caring nature enrich our community daily, making it a place filled with warmth and compassion.

Mother's Day is a time to reflect on the profound influence that mothers have on our lives. Whether it is your own mother, a grandmother, or a motherly figure who has shaped your journey, this day serves as a reminder to cherish and honor their unwavering support and boundless love. Their sacrifices, wisdom, and selfless devotion deserve not only recognition but also our deepest gratitude.

Take a moment to connect with the mothers in your life. Share stories, laughter, and memories that remind you of their lasting impact. A simple conversation, a heartfelt note, or a small act of kindness can make this day even more meaningful. At Fellowship Square Surprise, we encourage residents to share their favorite moments, traditions, and lessons learned from their mothers. These stories remind us of the strength and resilience that motherhood embodies.

God has gifted mothers with a special role—a calling to nurture, teach, and love unconditionally. From gentle hands that wiped away tears to words of encouragement that lifted spirits, a mother's influence is eternal. On this Mother's Day, we extend our heartfelt wishes to all the mothers in our community. May this day be filled with love, joy, and beautiful moments that create lasting memories.

Happy Mother's Day to all the amazing mothers at Fellowship Square Surprise! May your hearts be filled with love and your day be as special as you are.

~ Carrie

"My Mother kept a garden, A garden of the heart. *She planted all the* good things, That gave my life its start. She turned me to the sunshine. And encouraged me to dream. Fostering and nurturing, The seeds of self-esteem. And when the winds and rain came, She protected me enough. But not too much because she knew. I'd need to stand up strong and tough. Her constant good example, Always taught me right from wrong. Markers for my pathway,

—Author Unknown

That will last a life

time long.

I am my Mother's garden,

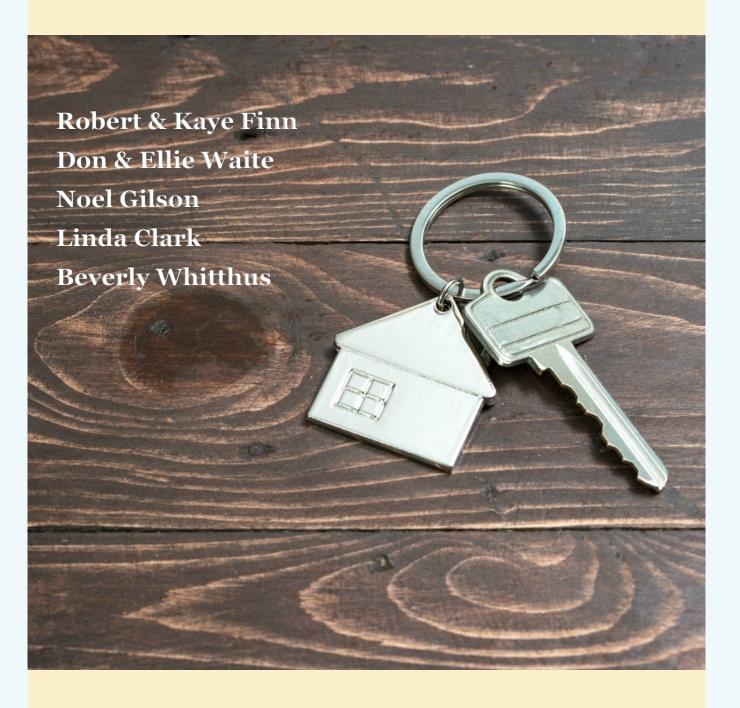
I am her legacy.

And I hope today she

feels the love,

Reflected back from me.'

New Residents Welcome Home ~ We're So Glad You're Here!



Special Events in May

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5/1 ~ Southwest Mobility Walker/Wheelchair Service
        5/1 ~ National Day of Prayer Service with Chaplain Dan
                     5/1 ~ Activity Chat with Barb
                  5/2 ~ Kentucky Derby Horse Races
               5/2 ~ Entertainment Hour with Tim Hern
                       5/5 ~ Coffee with Curana
                   5/5 ~ Nacho Ordinary Train Stop
         5/7 ~ Entertainment Hour with Banjoist, Ellen Davis
                   5/8, 5/22 \sim Art in Action with Liz
          5/8 ~ Once Upon a Tea—A Mother's Day Celebration
       5/7 ~ Good Grub Social Club Outing—Abuelo's Arrowhead
                  5/13 ~ Dementia Education Series
                      5/14 ~ Mary Kay Cosmetics
         5/14 ~ Conductor's Conundrum Trivia & Brain Games
                   5/14 ~ May Birthday Celebration
              5/14 ~ Entertainment Hour with Ronny Lee
                    5/15 ~ Snap Jewelry with Ilene
                      5/15 ~ 1st Floor Block Party
                  5/15 ~ Resident Meeting with Carrie
                 5/16 ~ ROMEO Outing—Yard House
        5/19 ~ Digital Sound Solutions: Hearing Aide Cleaning
           5/19 ~ Reminiscing Today About Back in the Day
               5/20 ~ Neighborhood Navigators Meeting
                 5/21 ~ Wet Your Whistle Happy Hour
             5/21 ~ Entertainment Hour with Rusty Nunez
                     5/22 ~ 2nd Floor Block Party
    5/23 ~ JULIET Outing—North Italia
5/24 ~ All Aboard! Cinema Classic Showing "The Train Robbers"
                   5/26 ~ Memorial Day BBQ Lunch
5/26 ~ She's Still Got It: Celebrating Women's Health Month with Curana
                       5/27 ~ Touring Tuesday
 5/27 ~ "Pathways to Engagement" with Ben from Functional Pathways
                    5/28 ~ Health & Wellness Fair
            5/28 ~ Entertainment Hour with Danny Hunkin
                     5/29 ~ 3rd Floor Block Party
                      5/29 ~ Baseball Challenge
                5/30 ~ OH NO! The Caboose is Loose!!
                   5/30 ~ PAM Rehab Presentation
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Chaplain Chats ~ Campus Chaplain, Dan Brookey

My mother had a hobby; it was creating beautiful ceramics. We have many of her works, a small and large turtle, and another favorite is the tiger. I am not sure, but the tiger is probably a quarter of the life size. It sits on a plant shelf away from our curious grandchildren. All her works are special to me, especially since her passing. On one occasion she made for my wife and I a pitcher and bowl. It was gorgeous, she had spent a lot of time on it, sanding it smooth, painting it, firing it, applying appliques, putting several layers of clear coating on so it will shine. She spent weeks at the local ceramic shop. Her signature was all over this special creation. This was so special to her and to us as it was a requested wedding gift for Melanie and me. There was one catch when she brought it home from the ceramic shop, she had placed it in the trunk of her car where it got chipped along the edge. The chip was small and unnoticeable, really. But to her it was devastating. None the less, we still have this pitcher and bowl set and continue to cherish it. God's creation is similar. He molded us and made us in His image. If we are like God, then why aren't we exactly like him – perfect? Original sin, that's why. We have a chip or crack which makes us less like God than what He created us to be. The Apostle Paul, before becoming a Christian, was feared by the Christians. He arrested them for their faith and placed them in jail. He persecuted anyone who believed in Jesus. Yet he ended up writing 2/3 of the New Testament scriptures. In 2 Corinthians 4:7-10 Paul says this: "But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body." The treasure is the perfection of God and the embodiment of Jesus Christ in our bodies. God allows us to have the mystery of Christ within us. Even though we are subject to trials and temptations as well as the degradation of our mortal bodies, victory has been instilled within us. This affords strength and support to overcome our failures and our discrepancies (humanness). Our Father sees us as perfect through the grace of our Lord Jesus. My wife and I would never part from the gift of an "imperfect" pitcher and bowl. Neither will God ever part from His creation – YOU!

Blessings, Chaplain Dan

Look Who's Having a Birthday!



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Life Around Our House











