

Wishing
you love,
joy and
peace
this
Christmas



### A Very Happy Birthday to...

Dora Helmel - 3<sup>rd</sup>
Marion Perry - 4<sup>th</sup>
Margaret "Marg" Goerz - 6<sup>th</sup>
Elvira "Elly" Hildebrandt - 8<sup>th</sup>



Marion Perry Margaret Salomons Joan Godin



Shelia Burge



## **Celebrating Christmas!**

We are so excited to have so many fun activities and special events to get us into the holiday spirit! We will have many musical events including Mendelt and Jake Klassen and friends, we will also be travelling down to the apartments to listen to The Vicounts, The Evergreen Singers and Mike and Jim Gay!

Christmas is also a great time for lots of treats where we will be indulging ourselves in some hot chocolate, gingerbread cookies, eggnog and more! We are also looking forward to making homemade treasures that will help

make our home beautiful including Christmas ornaments and centerpieces for our tables from The Watering Can!

## **Preacher's Ponderings**

2024 has been a challenging year and as it draws to a close, I'm quite happy to see it go. What with struggles of life, death and suffering, that looming cloud of darkness is made more apparent by the actual shortening of days. Yet in this advent season, I am reminded of Isaiah's words, "those who walk in darkness have seen a great light." It is a reminder that while in this shadow, Christ's light is coming. This darkness is only temporary as the celebration of Christmas - the light of Jesus shining on and in us - approaches. May we not lose hope but remain faithful in our perseverance and trust in God's word of promise and presence.

~ Michael Dyck, Spiritual Life Lead

# Pleasant Manor Post

December 2024

# Celebrating December

Music with Mendelt December 5<sup>th</sup>

Creating Christmas Centerpieces December 12<sup>th</sup>

NOTL Tractor Parade December 12<sup>th</sup>

Baking gingerbread cookies December 18th

Special Christmas Lunch! December 20<sup>th</sup>

Hot Chocolate Cart December 24<sup>th</sup>

Merry Christmas!
December 25<sup>th</sup>

Opening Stockings December 25<sup>th</sup>

Baking Portzelky
December 30th

New Years Eve December 31st



#### From the CEO's Desk

"As we head into the Christmas season, we are reminded of the most wonderful gift to humankind, ... the gift of Jesus Christ. The gift of His spirit and presence has the power to restore, rejuvenate, and refresh the lonely, downhearted, and the lost. We are grateful for His provision in 2024 and look forward to His guidance and strength in all we do as we prepare for the New Year ahead. In 2025, we will be blessed with the opening of our new Long-Term Care Home, following 25 years of planning, and we look forward to the coming months as we prepare for this big, exciting change. Please join us in praying for safety as the building is under construction. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Frohe Weihnachten!"

~ Tim Siemens, CEO

### **Food Bank Donations**

Between December 1st-13th, there will be collection bin available to donate items to the local NOTL food bank. The donation bin will be located outside the main office by the Christmas tree. Let's join together as a community and support families in NOTL. Please see posters near bulletin boards for items that are most needed.

### **Clothing Labels Reminder**

With the upcoming Christmas season, just a reminder, if you are bringing in clothing or blankets in for residents, please make sure to have them labelled. New items can be dropped off at the nursing station to be labelled.





Wishing you love, joy and peace Christmas



### A Very Happy Birthday to...

Edith Heinrichs - 2<sup>nd</sup>

o Gertrude Hildebrand - 20th

Abe Epp - 8<sup>th</sup>

Mary Rempel - 21st

 Lydia Reimer - 9<sup>th</sup> Adine Enns - 9th

o Lani Gade - 22<sup>nd</sup> o Doris Smith - 23<sup>rd</sup>

Walter Willms - 10th

o Donald Legere - 23<sup>rd</sup>

o Harriet Milne - 18th

o Irene London - 25th

o Ken Goertz - 20th

Dorothy German - 27<sup>th</sup>



#### **Christmas Lunch**

On December 20th, all tenants will receive a complimentary Christmas Lunch. The meals will be prepackaged and delivered to each tenant's door or to those who eat in the dining room.



Tenant Council is hosting a craft and bake sale on Saturday December 14th from 10am - 12noon in the Creekview Link. Council is accepting donations of crafts and baked goods. All proceeds are used to purchase essentials, improvements, and activities at Pleasant Manor. All are welcome to attend!



## **Preacher's Ponderings**

2024 has been a challenging year and as it draws to a close, I'm quite happy to see it go. What with struggles of life, death and suffering, that looming cloud of darkness is made more apparent by the actual shortening of days. Yet in this advent season, I am reminded of Isaiah's words, "those who walk in darkness have seen a great light." It is a reminder that while in this shadow, Christ's light is coming. This darkness is only temporary as the celebration of Christmas - the light of Jesus shining on and in us approaches. May we not lose hope but remain faithful in our perseverance and trust in God's word of promise and presence.

~ Michael Dyck, Spiritual Life Lead

# Pleasant Manor Post

December 2024

## **Celebrating December**

The Viscounts December 3rd

> Music with Mendelt December 5th

The Evergreen Singers December 9th

Sing along with Mike and Jim Gay December 11th

**NOTL Tractor** Parade December 12th

**Tenant Bake Sale** December 14th

Children's Recital December 17th and 18th

**Christmas Lunch Delivery** December 20th

**Merry Christmas!** December 25th

**Festival of Lights** Trip December 30th

**Happy New Year!** December 31st



#### From the CEO's Desk

"As we head into the Christmas season, we are reminded of the most wonderful gift to humankind, ... the gift of Jesus Christ. The gift of His spirit and presence has the power to restore, rejuvenate, and refresh the lonely. downhearted, and the lost. We are grateful for His provision in 2024 and look forward to His guidance and strength in all we do as we prepare for the New Year ahead. In 2025, we will be blessed with the opening of our new Long-Term Care Home, following 25 years of planning, and we look forward to the coming months as we prepare for this big, exciting change. Please join us in praying for safety as the building is under construction. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Frohe Weihnachten!"

~ Tim Siemens, CEO

#### **Food Bank Donations**

Between December 1st-13th, there will be collection bin available to donate items to the local NOTL food bank. The donation bin will be located outside the main office by the Christmas tree. Let's join together as a community and support families in NOTL. Please see posters near bulletin boards for items that are most needed.



