ATTENTION: **HERITAGE RESIDENTS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND TEAM MEMBERS**

**IMPORTANT – 9/9/2021 COVID-19 UPDATE** – *please read this in its entirety.*

In accordance with shared recommendations for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) and others, we are required to notify you each time there is a change or development in our Covid-19 status, including new cases among residents and/or team members. We are also required to notify you if we admit a resident with a Covid-19 diagnosis even if they have met the criteria for discontinuation of transmission-based precautions.

We continue to perform testing of team members as per Department of Health guidance. Team members who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are taken off the schedule and advised to consult with their clinician. In addition, any resident(s) who present with symptoms consistent with Covid-19 are tested.

As of today, we have received all of the test results but a few from this week’s tests for both residents and team members. This week’s testing resulted in 5 positive residents and 4 positive team members. We will continue testing as required by the PA DOH. Jones Serenity Circle and Lane and the 3rd floor were impacted by these test results. We are thankful that the majority of these residents and team members had previously received the vaccination for Covid-19 and their symptoms have been minimal to nonexistent.

**Visitation continues to be suspended and we will keep you posted on any updates.**

We appreciate everyone’s support and understanding. If you have any questions regarding this communication or St. Paul’s plan of action, please contact Dianna Jones, administrator of The Heritage.