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Community News and Events

2019 Annual Report



During this challenging time, it's fun to look back at memories of adventure and celebration! Join us in remembering the many ways we've been supported in living communal, fulfilling lives - from house vacations to theatrical performances to new vans.

[*Read the 2019 Annual Report*](#)

A Community 6 Feet Apart

In any given L'Arche home, at the end of the day,

you will see people coming together around the table. Dinner time is a sacred time at L'Arche, where we pause, reflect, and return to one another. Core members (adults with intellectual disabilities), assistants (those who support them), and often friends, family, and volunteers gather to eat, chat about their days, and at the end of the meal, pray as they pass around a candle.

The dinner table for L'Arche is a symbol of belonging. In many places, historically and currently, people with disabilities were segregated, left to eat and live alone. At L'Arche our relationships are at the core of who we are and we eat and pray together.



But now that has all changed. How do you socially distance inside a home, when you are both a family and a service provider?

Read about how we are navigating healthcare risks and guidelines as a community

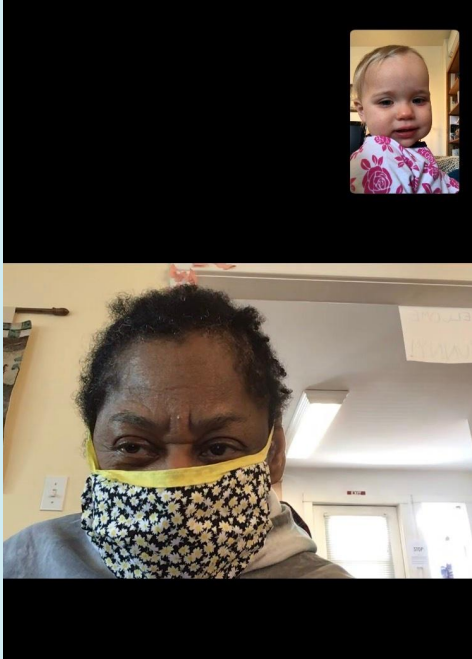
Daily Lives During Social Distancing



Deb had the idea for Ontario house to celebrate Christmas again!
Feliz Cumpleanos, Jesus.



"Guess Who"'s playing games at Euclid Apartment'?"



Hazel has always had a knack for keeping in touch with friends through phone calls, but now that Highland house has an iPad, she's the queen of checking in!

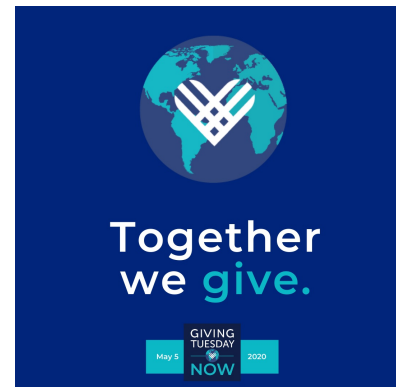


Johnny continues to create many beautiful art pieces in quarantine. Canvases, paint, paper, crayon, colored pencils, you name it, he's making art with it.

We raised \$7,980 during Giving Tuesday Now

On May 5th, we joined a new global day of giving called #GivingTuesdayNow that was created in response to the worldwide pandemic.

Throughout the day we shared images that our friends and L'Arche community sent in to spread joy.



Want to see what's been giving us joy?

Check out the [L'Arche Greater Washington, D.C. Facebook Page](#)

Thank you to everyone who sent in pictures or made a donation!

Virtual Prayer Night

During these uncertain times, our support of one another and our foundation of prayer remains. We invite you to join the L'Arche GWDC community for virtual prayer. We will meet by Zoom and have time for song,

liturgy, silence and friendship.

Tuesday, June 2nd
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm



Add to G-Cal

Event Details

L'Arche GWDC has moved all community gatherings online, including Prayer Night. We're so thankful for the ways we can continue to connect with our friends.

Art Feature

Artist: Fritz Schloss

Art Form:

Gardening and Floral Arranging



Fritz is a dedicated gardener around Highland house as well as a floral decorator. He surrounds himself with floral displays in his room, regardless of the season! He also loves using flowers as a way to celebrate birthdays and holidays. White flowers are Fritz's favorite.

If you're interested in purchasing and delivering plants, flowers, dirt or supplies to make a raised -bed garden for Fritz and Highland house, please email info@larche-gwdc.org.

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