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Living Joyfully

The Bible is filled with stories of joy. We read in Genesis 43-45 the story of Joseph being reunited with his brothers. Joseph had eleven brothers and his father Jacob favored him the most. Because of Jacob's favor to Joseph, his brothers became resentful and sold Joseph as a slave. They told their father Jacob he was dead. Many years later, Joseph and his brothers were reunited and Joseph forgave his brothers, saving his family from starvation during a time of famine. Joy was restored to Joseph's family.

In 2 Samuel 6 we find David dancing before the Lord when the Ark of the Covenant came to Jerusalem. People sang and offered sacrifices and celebrated with musical instruments. David danced because the ark represented God's presence among his people. David's wife criticized him for dancing, but he told her he was dancing to honor God.

A very popular parable in the New Testament, Luke 15:11-32, is the story of the prodigal son. The son decided one day to leave his father and venture out on his own. The father was heartbroken and waited with long suffering for his son to return home. Eventually, the son did return home. The father was so overcome with joy that he ran to him and lovingly embraced him, preparing a delicious feast with music and dancing. The father was filled with joy because his son was not dead, he was alive. He was not lost, but was found (Luke 15:32). Joy filled the father's home once again.

Baruch's theme this year is living joyfully. In each of these stories, there was hardship and suffering that precluded the joy. Years of bitterness, resentment, grief and agony in relationships that were meant to serve the Lord. Yet, in all of this long-suffering, God still moved among his people and his spirit brought about healing and rejoicing. No matter what happens in your life, remember the words of Nehemiah 8:10, "the joy of the Lord is your strength"

Chaplain Val

Celebrating October

Country Music Month

Global Diversity Awareness Month

Emotional Wellness Month

World Smile Day *October 2*

World Teachers Day *October 5*

Indigenous Peoples Day *October 12*

Character Counts Week *October 18-24*

International Chefs Day *October 20*

International Artist Day *October 25*

Halloween *October 31*

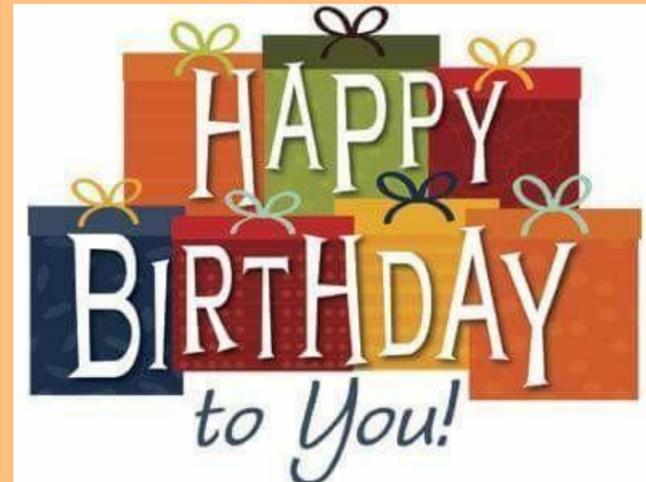
October Birthdays

Residents:

- Oct. 8th: Sue S.
- Oct. 14th Maxine C.
- Oct. 19th Chuck C.
- Oct. 22nd: Grace C.

Staff:

- Oct. 5th Jada
- Oct. 12th Maureen



Comedy Corner



Late Summer Highlights...



A visit from the Wienermobile!



Taking Lots of Nature Walks...



Visits from our favorite furry friends!



Taking Time to Dance!



Enjoying an outdoor concert!



Harvesting Sunflower Seeds!



Reminiscing about our favorite pets and farm animals.