



Handbook

Fairhope United Methodist Church

Wesley Hall

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Shepherd's Place

Mission Statement:

Shepherd's Place has a twofold mission: to nurture and care for individuals with memory and physical challenges associated with but not limited to Alzheimer's, Dementia, Parkinson's, Stroke & Traumatic Brain Injury; and to provide respite for the caregiver, thereby reducing the physical, mental and emotional impact of caregiving.

Who is eligible for this program?

- Must be 21 years of age.
- Must be socially appropriate.
- Participants should require only minimal assistance with personal care needs.

Registration Fee:

A non-refundable fee of \$150.00 is due at the time of registration.

Days and Hours of Operation & Costs

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
\$40.00 per day

Statements will be prepared at the end of the month based on the participant's attendance. Full payment is due upon receipt by the 15th of the month. A late fee of \$25.00 will be assessed.

Our doors will be open 5 minutes before the hour for participant drop-off and will close 5 minutes after the hour for participant pick-up.

Unless arrangements have been made in advance, participants arrival should be no earlier than 5 minutes before the opening & pick-up no later than 15 minutes after closing hour. A charge of \$20.00 will be assessed per incident.

Daily Schedule:

You or your loved one's day will consist of structured but stimulating activities, provided in a comfortable, Christian environment. Our activities are designed to promote and foster cognitive, language, social and motor skills through various activities offered each day.

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Snacks and Meals:

A hot lunch is served daily in addition to a morning snack. It is the responsibility of the caregiver/participant to inform Shepherd's Place staff of any special dietary needs/restrictions. Shepherd's Place staff and volunteers will attempt to meet these needs.

Clothing:

Caregivers will furnish a change of clothing, marked with participant's name, in a Ziploc bag to be used in case of incontinence or other mishap. This clothing should be familiar to the participant.

Socialization:

The caregiver will be notified of any socially inappropriate behavior by the participant. In the event of a physical or verbal altercation, caregivers will be notified and required to pick up the participant immediately. Participant will be suspended for 1 week, followed by a conference with staff before a decision is made regarding returning to Shepherd's Place.

Holidays and Inclement Weather:

Shepherd's Place will provide a yearly calendar of closures. In the event of inclement weather, Shepherd's Place will follow the public schools closing schedule.

Communication:

We encourage and welcome your comments and concerns about your loved one. We want to be a resource and assist you in obtaining the most accurate and up-to-date information. You may contact us at the church office: 928-1148, Leisa Richardson's cell: 377-8010 or email: shepherdsplace@fairhopeumc.org.

Medications:

Shepherd's Place discourages administration of medication. If medications are required during Shepherd's Place hours, they must be appropriately labeled and all required forms completed. Medications must be labeled and in a daily medication planner. Caregiver should notify Shepherd's Place staff of any medication changes.

Caregivers Support Group:

A caregivers support group is available the first and third Tuesday of each month in the Library of the Education Building from 9:30 - 10:30.

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