



Heart Havens Month 2018 Communication Resources

You are welcome to adapt these resources to use at other times of year and to include information about your planned church giving opportunities.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Wilkinson at the Heart Havens main office by calling toll-free (877) 442-8368.

For your newsletter or e-blast:

What makes your life full and rich? Is it your involvement in church? Your job? Is it the friends you go to the movies with, or the buddies who come over to watch the football game? Could it even be the small choices you make every day, such as what to have for breakfast or what to watch on TV in the evening? All of these things together are what fill our lives with joy and keep us engaged in our communities.

Adults with a developmental disability want a life just like yours: a life where they are part of a community, get to experience the many joys the world has to offer, and make their own choices. That's where Heart Havens comes in.

Heart Havens is a Virginia Conference Advance Special mission that provides residential support to adults with a developmental disability, but it's so much more than just providing a house. Heart Havens empowers people to discover what it is they love and then pursue it. No matter what the goal is, Heart Havens is all about helping the people they support find a way to make their dreams a reality.

Soon, our congregation will lift up Heart Havens Month, a time to both support the Heart Havens mission with our gifts and celebrate the gifts that people with a developmental disability bring to the church. Gifts we collect for Heart Havens allow them to continue providing a vibrant lifestyle for the people they support. To learn more about Heart Havens and the Heart Havens homes around the Conference, please visit www.hearthavens.org.

For your bulletin:

Everyone has a place at God's party, and God rejoices when people of all abilities are included in our churches and communities. Your gifts make their empowerment possible! Please make a donation to Heart Havens today. Visit www.hearthavens.org.



For your social media:

These suggested messages may be paired with one of our shareable images (available for download at <http://www.hearthavens.org/resources/worship-resources/>.) When posting about Heart Havens on Facebook, please be sure to tag us! On Twitter, we are @HeartHavens.

We also have videos available on our Youtube channel that you are welcome to link to.

Suggested Facebook posts:

February is Heart Havens Month! Learn more about this wonderful opportunity to show support for adults with a developmental disability here: www.hearthavens.org

Everyone has a place at God's party. Please help Heart Havens continue to empower adults with a developmental disability to be full participants both at church and in their communities by making a donation- contact the church office or visit www.hearthavens.org for more information.

All God's children bring different gifts to the body of Christ! Check out Ronnie and some other Heart Havens residents singing "Jesus Loves Me", and be sure to support Heart Havens during Heart Havens Month! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCA2BylxFOs>

Suggested Tweets:

February is @HeartHavens Month! Learn more about how to get involved here: <http://bit.ly/2ggX2rH> #HHMonth2017 #vaumc @VAUMC

God's party isn't complete until everyone is there! Help @HeartHavens empower people a developmental disability. <http://bit.ly/2ggX2rH> #HHMonth2017

For your event or Sunday worship:

Heart Havens would be happy to provide a speaker for your event or at your worship service. It may be possible for Heart Havens residents to also attend, depending on scheduling. For more information, please contact Sarah Wilkinson by calling (877) 442-8368 or by email at sarah.wilkinson@hearthavens.org