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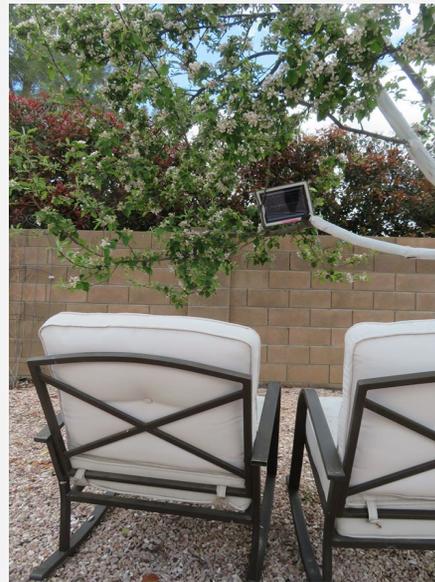
April 24, 2020

We've all heard that saying, "when life gives you lemons, make lemonade". Maybe I'm speaking for myself here, but usually that's not a saying we'd like to hear in the moment. Well how about this from James 1:2-4, "Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing". None of us asked for anything that has happened, and I'm sure there is no one who hasn't struggle with having to limit human interaction and having to stay

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home. However, this has become an opportunity for great joy. When else in life would you get to worship in your bathrobe, with your fur baby and coffee like Al & Dani Lerberg got to do with Pippi? Or how about in the backyard on a gorgeous spring day with a tablet in the apple blossom tree like Ben & Kathryn Coit! Scott & Susan Friedman were thrown an extra lemon in which they were quarantined on a cruise ship with 49 days at sea. Definitely not ideal but God provided for his sheep! The cruise director

conducted church services, including Palm Sunday, Good Friday and a special Easter service! And then look at sweet little Alison Hodge cutting out palm leaves that the family used in their march into Jerusalem singing "Hosanna" on Palm Sunday. Life isn't always ideal or fair but how we decide to react can make a world of difference. We are building endurance and we are growing from it. I just have one question for you all. When this pandemic is all over and you look back, will you be able to say that you made lemonade out of your lemons? **Abbie Cornelius**



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Both our Traditional & Contemporary online services are easily accessible via our [website](#).

We have added a Call to Worship for this Sunday's traditional worship, access it here: [Call to Worship](#)

If you have a prayer need, please e-mail Abbie at abbie@americanlutheran.net and your request will be passed on to the prayer team.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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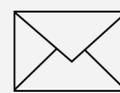
- 24: Tony Clark
- 25: Chris Jensen
- 26: Shaeon James, Deanna Jossis, Russ Parker
- 28: Bernice Larson, David Wilson, Mitchell Zembik
- 29: Andy Boulter, Alleannah Johnson

CONGRATULATIONS

To Don & Patty Shemenske who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 23rd.

If you would like to announce a celebration in your family please email Abbie for it to be in the Live Wire at abbie@americanlutheran.net.

3 WAYS TO GIVE



Envelope: Ask for a box of personal numbered envelopes from the church office or mail in your tithes

Mobile: Download the Tithe.ly App to give a one-time gift or to schedule ongoing giving using your checking account, debit or credit card. Or text GIVE to (928) 756-0099 and follow the prompts.

SimpleGiving: Request an automatic withdrawal form for recurring once a month giving, available in the office, M - TH 9 - 3 PM; F 9-12 PM.