

# THE LIVE WIRE

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PLUG INTO THE HIGHEST POWER

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## WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

“I want this”, “Do it faster”, “I want it now”. Maybe you haven’t said those exact words, though many of us have, but I’m sure you’ve thought them before. And towards whom was it directed? A family member, friend, coworker, stranger, God? After all, we are sinful by nature. Ephesians 2:3 says, “among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind”. It is our sinful nature that poisons our minds with thoughts of complaints, anger, gossip and resentment. But if we claim to be Christians, we must strive to live as Christ did. The Bible makes it

clear what we are not to do. “Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door” James 5:9. And in Romans 12:2 we are instructed, “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect”. So the next time you are tempted to complain, to gossip or hold a grudge, remember that God is watching us. Ask yourself is what you are about to say or do the will of God? And remember to love one another as God loves us (John 13:34), which is unconditionally. Just

think, we are children of the most high God. Who knows our thoughts, our weaknesses, our battles, and yet loves us regardless. Who then gives us words of wisdom and instruction on how to get through our temptations. We have all we could ever need with God’s will being the center of our lives. It’s for us to work on transforming and renewing our mind towards Him. So what are you doing? Are you living by the flesh or living with the discernment of God’s will? **Abbie Cornelius**

### STAY CONNECTED

See what’s happening throughout the week on our Facebook page: [American Lutheran Church](#)

Watch daily devotionals from our Minister of Music, David Sherman, on his [YouTube channel](#).

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

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

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY:

- 24: Simon Barbe, Connie Ellis
- 25: Elisabeth Batzli, Marilyn Jenkins, Dennis Onnen, Barbara Richardson-Cox, Julie Rouse
- 27: Darcy Hicks, Janet Howland, Laura Spilsbury
- 28: Arlene Reinhardt
- 29: Margaret Dunkel, Gail Osten
- 30: Gunnar Bair, Cara Carpenter, John Kieckhefer, Susan Schmidgall

### 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.

## 2ND QUARTER BENEVOLENCE GIVING

The Benevolence Committee is grateful for the privilege of selecting ministries to receive a portion of ALC’s tithe each quarter. See the 2nd Quarters recipients below.

Thank you all for your loving obedience and prayer in caring for both our nearest neighbors and our brothers and sisters across the world.

Amazing Grace Christian Church, AZ	\$2,658.78	LCMC	\$2,215.65
Children of the Nation	\$2,215.65	Light the Way Mission Church, Cortaro, AZ (LCMC)	\$1,329.39
Coalition for Compassion and Justice (CCJ)	\$2,215.65	Missionary Aviation Fellowship	\$2,215.65
Community Cupboard	\$2,215.65	NALC	\$6,646.95
GracePointe, Sedona, AZ (NALC) New Church Plant	\$2,215.65	One Hope	\$2,215.65
Granite Creek Feed	\$1,772.52	Peace Lutheran Church, Holbrook, AZ (LCMC)	\$1,329.39
Hope Clinic, Guinea, W. Africa	\$3,988.17	Prescott Area Habitat for Humanity	\$1,329.39
Hungry Kids Program - Prescott	\$443.13	Prescott Valley Food Bank	\$2,215.65
Hungry Kids Program - Chino Valley	\$1,772.52	Servant Partners to the Urban Poor	\$2,658.78
Hungry Kids Program - Humboldt, PV	\$1,329.39	10/10 Ministries	\$1,329.39
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$44,313.01</b>