

ENJOY THIS HOLIDAY ANYWAY

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You may not have anywhere to go wearing your new holiday sweater, wear it anyway.

You may not be baking cookies for a cookie swap, bake a batch of your favorite ones anyway.

You may not have anyone to show off your decorations to, put them up anyway.

You may not be planning a road trip, take a drive to see the lights around town anyway.

You may not be there to watch friends or family open gifts, send them anyway.

You may not be gathering to listen your favorite songs and hymns, play them and sing along anyway.

You may not be invited over and asked to bring your famous dish, whip up the recipe and enjoy it anyway.

You may not be cozied up watching a movie with loved ones, grab a cup of hot cocoa and watch it anyway.

You may not feel like mailing cards and letters matters, send them anyway.

You may not be jetting off to visit family and friends, connect virtually and make new memories anyway.

You may not find yourself at a table, sharing stories and toasting family, raise a glass and make the toast anyway.

You may not experience familiar or treasured traditions this year, embrace the season anyway.

Your holidays may not look, sound, or feel familiar, my hope is that you enjoy this holiday anyway.

Happy Holidays! Love, Jamie

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