



**Third Sunday in Lent March 8, 2026 Blended 10:45**

**Prelude**

**As We Gather**

We are given only one detail in our text from Job 14:1–17; one small part of a much larger story. But this one part—this one detail—is beautiful and it is enough. It is more than enough!

**Welcome**

+ PREPARATION +

**Opening Song "My Dwelling Place" SSP 92**

My dwelling place is God Most High  
My refuge and my fortress  
When plague and pestilence draw nigh  
I'm hidden in His presence

When terrors fall and arrows fly  
His shield will be my safety  
When stones across my pathway lie  
On angels' wings I'm carried

My dwelling place is God Most High  
A present help in danger  
I rest secure in Love's pure light,  
Beneath My Master's favor

He pulled me from the fowler's snare  
Where sin and shame had bound me  
Deceived I made my refuge there,  
Till fearless He came for me

Wonderful, powerful,  
my hope and my defender  
Mighty God, Emmanuel,  
my dwelling place forever

My dwelling place is God Most High  
I'll never seek another  
For I am His and He is mine  
My heart He'll keep forever

I know the Name on Whom I call  
He promises to answer  
With life he satisfies my soul  
And crowns me with his pleasure

Wonderful, powerful,  
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## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Opening Sentences

*Psalm 95:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

<sup>2</sup>**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

**let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

<sup>4</sup>**In his hand are the depths of the earth;**

**the heights of the mountains are his also.**

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.

**<sup>6</sup>Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

<sup>7</sup>For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.

Today, if you hear his voice,  
**<sup>8</sup>do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,**

<sup>9</sup>when your fathers put me to the test  
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

**A** God has made us His people by our Baptism into Christ. He graciously provides us with all we need to live in true faith, confidence, and hope. Let us present ourselves before Him, confessing our sins and need for His mercy, and receive His promised help.

**C** **Almighty God, our Father in heaven, we come to You seeking Your forgiveness and the strengthening of our faith that we may live and serve You faithfully. We confess all our sins against You and against those whom we have hurt or failed to help. Even our very thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin. In true sorrow, we ask for Your grace, Your forgiveness, and that You strengthen our faith, all for the sake and in the praise of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**P** “No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful.” Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **SSP 32 You are My King (Song of Forgiveness)**

I'm forgiven  
Because You were forsaken  
I'm accepted  
You were condemned  
I'm alive and well  
Your Spirit is within me  
Because You died  
And rose again

Amazing love  
How can it be  
That You my King  
Would die for me  
Amazing love  
I know it's true  
It's my joy to honor You  
In all I do I honor You

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### **Prayer of the Day**

**A** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You brought forth water to cover the earth, You brought the children of Israel through the Red Sea, and You made water to flow from the rock. Continue to provide us with water for every need, remind us of our Baptism into Christ, and help us to know with confidence Christ the rock who alone bestows the water of life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Old Testament

*Job 14:1–17*

- <sup>1</sup>Man who is born of a woman  
is few of days and full of trouble.
- <sup>2</sup>He comes out like a flower and withers;  
he flees like a shadow and continues not.
- <sup>3</sup>And do you open your eyes on such a one  
and bring me into judgment with you?
- <sup>4</sup>Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean?  
There is not one.
- <sup>5</sup>Since his days are determined,  
and the number of his months is with you,  
and you have appointed his limits that he cannot pass,
- <sup>6</sup>look away from him and leave him alone,  
that he may enjoy, like a hired hand, his day.
- <sup>7</sup>For there is hope for a tree,  
if it be cut down, that it will sprout again,  
and that its shoots will not cease.
- <sup>8</sup>Though its root grow old in the earth,  
and its stump die in the soil,
- <sup>9</sup>yet at the scent of water it will bud  
and put out branches like a young plant.
- <sup>10</sup>But a man dies and is laid low;  
man breathes his last, and where is he?
- <sup>11</sup>As waters fail from a lake  
and a river wastes away and dries up,
- <sup>12</sup>so a man lies down and rises not again;  
till the heavens are no more he will not awake  
or be roused out of his sleep.
- <sup>13</sup>Oh that you would hide me in Sheol,  
that you would conceal me until your wrath be past,  
that you would appoint me a set time, and remember me!

<sup>14</sup>If a man dies, shall he live again?  
All the days of my service I would wait,  
till my renewal should come.  
<sup>15</sup>You would call, and I would answer you;  
you would long for the work of your hands.  
<sup>16</sup>For then you would number my steps;  
you would not keep watch over my sin;  
<sup>17</sup>my transgression would be sealed up in a bag,  
and you would cover over my iniquity.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle**

*Romans 5:1–8*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

*John 4:5–26*

**A** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup>[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

<sup>7</sup>There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.

<sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

<sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

**A** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **Apostles' Creed**

**C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

## **Children's Song "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"**

He's got the whole world in His hands  
He's got the whole world in His hands  
He's got the whole world in His hands  
He's got the whole world in His hands

He's got you and me brother in His hands  
He's got you and me sister in His hands  
He's got you and be brother in His hands  
He's got the whole world in his Hands

He's got the mamas and the papas in his hands  
He's got the mamas and the papas in his hands  
He's got the mamas and the papas in his hands  
He's got the whole world in his hands

He's got everybody here in His hands  
He's got everybody here in His hands  
He's got everybody here in His hands  
He's got the whole world in HIs hands

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## **Children's Message**

**Hymn for Today "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" LSB 715**

Jesus, Savior, pilot me  
Over life's tempestuous sea;  
    Unknown waves before me roll,  
    Hiding rock and treach'rous shoal.  
Chart and compass come from Thee.  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child,  
Thou canst hush the ocean wild;  
    Boist'rous waves obey Thy will  
    When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!"  
Wondrous Sov'reign of the sea,  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore  
And the fearful breakers roar  
    Twixt me and the peaceful rest,  
    Then, while leaning on Thy breast,  
May I hear Thee say to me,  
"Fear not, I will pilot thee."

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## Sermon: "Why? It is Enough" Job 14:1-17"

### Prayer of the Church

- Ⓐ As we prepare our hearts and minds for Christ's coming, we turn to the Lord in prayer.

*A brief time of silence may be observed.*

- Ⓐ O Wisdom from on high, grant us peace. Move the leaders, pastors, teachers, and all the people of our Synod to be peacemakers.  
We pray,

Ⓒ **hear us, coming Lord.**

- Ⓐ O Desire of nations, bless the leaders of nations, our president and Congress, our governors and local leaders. Move all leaders to cease envy and boastfulness, injustice and corruption. Guide our leaders to be honorable people who do not neglect the poor and who strive toward the flourishing of all human beings. Bless those who serve in our armed forces and lift up refugees and all victims of war.

Bring peace between us and our enemies and let Your peace reign over this broken world. We pray,

Ⓒ **hear us, coming Lord.**

**A** O Dayspring from on high, come to the aid of all who are in need. As You humbly entered this world as a vulnerable baby, help all of us humbly to enter the lives of those who are sick, facing surgery, or dying, to offer comfort and hope, *Don Loudenback, John Haubold, Jan Peterson, Cindy Maxwell, Armando Florez, Ami Gray, Teo McDonald, Doug Ebersol, Drake Williams, Joe Kuzma, David Glass, Karen Manion, Jan Peterson, Cythina Estes, Carla Weikert, Robert Wood, Eric Peterson, Kerstin Krueger, Mary Fodor, Joseph Davis, Tammy Tolbert.* Bring healing according to Your will and peace to those whose suffering endures. Guide scientists searching for cures for diseases that bring suffering to the world that their work might lead to healing for many. We pray,

**C** **hear us, coming Lord.**

**A** O Lord of might, let the peace that surpasses human understanding, the peace that comes from being in Christ, so fill our hearts that we become signs of Your peace in this chaotic world. We pray,

**C** **hear us, coming Lord.**

**A** Send down upon Your church the grace of Your Holy Spirit that we may be united in faith and in confession of Your name. Unite us together to accomplish Your purpose at SPLC. Give strength, wisdom, and understanding to those who serve on our Call Committee and staff. Grant grace and patience to all in our congregation as we faithfully seek the pastor You appointed to shepherd us. We pray,

**C** **hear us, coming Lord.**

- A** For Your presence and provision within our families and in the lives of our children. Be with each member of St. Paul, especially those we lift to You this day, Ditz & Judy Ditzenberger, Josh, Shelby, Gracelynn Crisp, Ron, Beverly, Jordan, Josh DuPree, Jose & Thomas Flores. Bless the children of our CLC, Grant, Brodie, Alex, along with their parents and our staff. Guide families to be places where Your love is demonstrated to strangers as well as to friends. Grant that we share with them our faith in Christ and live together as God's sanctified and thankful people,  
We pray,  
**C** **hear us, coming Lord.**

**A** Our Lord who taught us to pray...

### **Lord's Prayer**

- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Passing of the Peace**

*(Having received the Gospel's grace, let us joyfully share "Peace of Christ" with one another.)*

## Offertory "Faithful Through the Ages" Praise Team

### Prepare our Hearts for Communion

1. Do I believe that I am sinful, without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ Jesus?
2. Do I harbor resentment for another or refuse to forgive another's sin?
3. Do I believe that Jesus is God's Son and my personal Savior?
4. Do I believe that He is personally present with His Body and Blood?
5. Do I desire by the Holy Spirit's power to live a Godly life?

If this is what you believe, we invite you to come forward to share Communion with us. If this is not what you understand or believe you are welcome to come forward for a blessing; simply cross your arms for the Pastor to bless you.

### Communion Instructions

*(For those who are intolerant to alcohol, grape juice is available in the center of each communion tray marked by purple cups. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.)*

**+ SACRAMENT +**

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**A** O Jesus, as we gather in your name, remembering your death and your Last Supper, we beg you to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with your Word and Spirit. Holy Spirit, give us the faith to eat Christ's body and drink His blood as he calls us to do in His Word. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all faithful believers at the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. In your grace, hear our prayers, save us and preserve our faith.

We honor and worship you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the only true God, now and forever.

## **The Words of Our Lord**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## **Pax Domini**

**A** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## **Song of Sacrifice "Lamb of God" SSP 4**

Lamb of God,  
You take away  
the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God  
You take away  
the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God  
You take away  
the sin of the world;  
grant us peace

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## **Distribution Song "Living Waters" SSP 88**

Are you thirsty  
Are you empty  
Come and drink  
these living waters  
Tired and broken  
Peace unspoken  
Rest beside these living waters

Christ is calling  
Find refreshing  
At the cross of living waters  
Lay your life down  
All the old gone  
Rise up in  
these living waters

There's a river that flows  
With mercy and love  
Bringing joy  
to the city of our God  
There our hope is secure  
Do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters

Spirit moving  
Mercy washing  
Healing in these  
living waters  
Lead your children  
To the shoreline  
Life is in these living waters

There's a river that flows  
With mercy and love  
Bringing joy to the city of our God  
There our hope is secure  
Do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters

Are you thirsty  
Are you empty  
Come and drink  
these living waters  
Love forgiveness  
Vast and boundless  
Christ He is our living waters

There's a river that flows  
With mercy and love  
Bringing joy to  
the city of our God  
There our hope is secure  
Do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters

There our hope is secure  
Do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters

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## **620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing**

Jesus comes today with healing,  
Knocking at my door, appealing,  
    Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace.  
He Himself makes preparation,  
And I hear His invitation:  
    "Come and taste the blessed feast."

Christ Himself, the priest presiding,  
Yet in bread and wine abiding  
    In this holy sacrament,  
Gives the bread of life, once broken,  
And the cup, the precious token  
    Of His sacred covenant.

Under bread and wine, though lowly,  
I receive the Savior holy,  
    Blood and body, giv'n for me,  
Very Lamb of God from heaven,  
Who to bitter death was given,  
    Hung upon the cursèd tree.

God descends with heav'nly power,  
Gives Himself to me this hour  
    In this ordinary sign.  
On my tongue His pledge receiving,  
I accept His grace, believing  
    That I taste His love divine.

Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
Whose own feast of love I savor,  
    Bidden by His gracious call.  
Wedding garments He provides me,  
With a robe of white He hides me,  
    Fits me for the royal hall.

Now have I found consolation,  
Comfort in my tribulation,  
    Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
Cleanses me from sin and error,  
    Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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### **420 Christ, the Life of All the Living**

Christ, the life of all the living,  
    Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
Who, Thyself for me once giving  
    To the darkest depths of woe:  
Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit  
I eternal life inherit.  
    Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
    Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee  
Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;  
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,  
O Thou sinless Son of God!  
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver  
From the bonds of sin forever.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Thou hast borne the smiting only  
That my wounds might all be whole;  
Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,  
Rest to give my weary soul;  
Yea, the curse of God enduring,  
Blessing unto me securing.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Heartless scoffers did surround Thee,  
Treating Thee with shameful scorn  
And with piercing thorns they crowned Thee.  
All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,  
That as Thine Thou mightest own me  
And with heav'nly glory crown me.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,  
That from pain I might be free;  
Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:  
Thence I gain security;  
Comfortless Thy soul did languish  
Me to comfort in my anguish.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Thou hast suffered great affliction  
And hast borne it patiently,  
Even death by crucifixion,  
Fully to atone for me;  
Thou didst choose to be tormented  
That my doom should be prevented.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

Then, for all that wrought my pardon,  
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For Thine anguish in the Garden,  
I will thank Thee evermore,  
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,  
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry,  
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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## **Song of Thanksgiving "Lord, Bid Your Servant go in Peace" LSB 937**

Lord, bid Your servant go in peace,  
Your word is now fulfilled.  
These eyes have seen salvation's dawn,  
This child so long foretold.

This is the Savior of the world,  
The Gentiles' promised light,  
God's glory dwelling in our midst,  
The joy of Israel.

With saints of old, with saints to come,  
To You we lift our voice;  
To Father, Son, and Spirit blest  
Be honor, love, and praise.

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## **Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

**A** Let us pray.

With grateful hearts we give thanks, heavenly Father, that You have strengthened us by Your Means of Grace. Grant that our faith in Jesus, Prophet and Savior, Lord of Light and hope in our trials, would increase and our courage would grow to serve You and others in Your name through all circumstances; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Benedicamus**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Benediction**

**A** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** **Amen.**

## **Song of Departure "In Christ Alone" SSP 38**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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## **Dismissal**

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

## **Acknowledgment**

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