

*August*  
*2019*

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*"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect."*  
**Romans 12:2 (NRSV)**

We recently hosted our third Amazing Grace Day Camp at Fellowship and it was indeed an amazing week! The theme this year was *Transformed Community: God's Agent of C.H.A.N.G.E.*, based on the Bible verse above. Each day the focus was on something that transforms community - generosity, inclusion of others, compassion, justice and forgiveness. Twenty youth were enrolled in day camp, with nineteen from the local community. We again were blessed with three wonderful LOMO counselors - Ericka (head counselor from Missouri), Heather (the daughter of a pastor friend, whom Amy and I used to babysit in Wilmington), and Hannah (international LOMO staff from Germany).

In spite of the extremely hot temperatures during the week, the campers had a lot of fun, especially on water day on Friday. We did two community service projects at day camp. On Tuesday, we tied 36 precut blankets to donate to local foster children so that they might have their "very own blanket." And then on Wednesday, we again had a dog treat packing party in coordination with Sedona Grace Foundation. In 45 minutes, the youth packaged 205 pounds of dog treats which were distributed to local food pantries for clients who have dogs.

One of my favorite events during Amazing Grace Day Camp was the ice cream social that we offered on Thursday afternoon when the parents came to pick up the youth. It's always a treat to meet with the parents and hear about what the campers share with their parents when they get home. This year we had a new camper who had just completed kindergarten who was extremely shy on the first day and didn't want her mother to leave. She adjusted quickly and shared with her mother later how much she "liked church," especially the new songs she had learned and the friends she made. What a wonderful opportunity it is to share God's love with children, some who may have never experienced "church" or a "LOMO camp" before.

We hope to continue to offer Amazing Grace Day Camp to the local community in future years and are very thankful for all our dedicated volunteers that make this event possible. I'd like to especially thank Todd Engen for his willingness to serve as coordinator again this year and our three host families. More will be said about the volunteers in Todd's newsletter article...

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer and taking some time for rest and relaxation.

See you in church!

*Pastor Robin*



**Sunday Evening Worship and Praise Services continue on Sundays at 5:00 p.m.** Please help us spread the word! This is a 45-50 minute, "come as you are" service with singing, a short message, and communion.



### **Women's Activities**

**Women's Dinner** - There will not be a women's dinner in August. Our next women's dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 23rd, at **Red Robin Restaurant**, 5043 Tuttle

Crossing Blvd., Dublin, OH 43016 (614) 356-9221. If you need transportation, please let Pastor Robin know.

**Women's Bible Study** will resume again in the fall.



### **Meals on Wheels Schedule for August and September**

Friday, August 16  
Saturday, August 17

Biemel  
Engen

Friday, September 20  
Saturday, September 21

Himmel-McDaniel  
Himmel-McDaniel

**If you would like a home visit by Pastor Robin**, please let Pastor Robin or Tracy know so we can get one scheduled. It does not need to be a pastoral emergency... just an opportunity to get to know you better.

**Did You Know That Fellowship Has an Active Care Team?** Our care team meets monthly and sends out cards to those in our congregation, and their relatives and friends with concerns. We now have other members trained in Congregational Care and Hospital Visitation who assist Pastor Robin with the pastoral care needs of our congregation, visiting our homebound members and offering communion.

**Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available.** If you have trouble with the regular communion wafers or with the bread served, please let Pastor Robin know. We do have gluten-free wafers available. **Large print bulletins are also available for worship.** Please ask the usher for assistance.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

August 11      Outdoor Service at Murphy Park

**Kroger Plus Fundraising Information:** If you would like to register your Kroger card for the Community Rewards Program, please contact Pastor Robin or the church office. Thank you so much for participating in this fundraiser! We received over \$800 last year!

**Thrivent Members** - For those of you with choice dollars don't forget that Fellowship can be a recipient of those dollars. Thank you to all who have donated this way in the past!

**Do You Order From Amazon?** If so, then try Amazon Smile to support Fellowship Lutheran Church! First, go to Amazon Smile and choose Fellowship Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH as your charity. Then, shop as usual and Fellowship will receive a percentage of your purchase. It's that easy!

## Attendance Information

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
6/2	59/12	7/7	46/14
6/9	82/10	7/14	56/26
6/16	41/9	7/21	62/4
6/23	41/12	7/28	49/9
6/30	48/11		

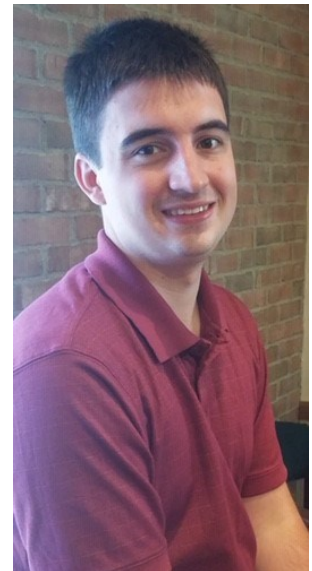
Welcome new members, Stacy Niedecker, Karen Henry, Hazel Lambert, Edwin Madari, Michael Cherup, Bill Zahn, and Kohei Tateyama\*! \*Picture not available at time of printing



**Karen Henry & Hazel Lambert**



**Edwin Madari**



**Michael Cherup**



**Bill and Cathy Zahn**



**Stacy Niedecker and E.J.**

### *Congratulations!*



**Ryan & Rebecca Roll**  
Married July 20, 2019



**Callen Louis Anderson**  
Son of Maria & Kevin Anderson  
Proud Grandparents - John & Cathy Votino Born July 12th



*"Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." **Matthew 19:13,14***

We just completed the 2019 Amazing Grace Day Camp. This event highlights two big ideas at Fellowship. First, it is a great example of how we live our Mission Statement: "To share God's Love and Grace through our words and actions." This event was a great example of this. We provided an opportunity to the kids and families in our local community. The faces in this group of campers is probably a pretty good mirror of the people that surround our church. They are a diverse group of children here. The camp gave them a fun and interesting way to learn about God's love and grace.



Secondly, this is a good example of our new organizational structure that relies on teams to do the work of the congregation. Many teams, if not most, will have specific lifetimes. They will have a start and a finish. In this case, the AGDC team started up in early February as we gathered the team together to begin planning. We had team members including a coordinator, kitchen team to provide lunch and snacks, host families, counselor-helpers, front desk team, and snack donors. The planning stage happened with occasional checkpoint meetings and prep work up until the camp. Then, during the camp, the team swung into the real action during the week of the camp. Now, the camp is finished, and the team has finished for 2019. We will be starting up again early in 2020 for the next camp. This team idea lets our congregants participate in ways that line up with their passions. I encourage you to think about what passions you have, and how you can apply those passions to our mission to share God's love through our words and actions. There are an unlimited number of ways to do that, and it all comes down to what you are called to do.

I would like to thank all of the people who made the camp possible: Kitchen – Karen Harris, Dianna Roll, Susan Lee, Carolyn Crispin, Jenifer Takats. Host Families – Farels, Biemels, Kim Johnston. Counselor-helpers – Mallory Tonn, E.J. Wendt, Lillian Cardimen, Gwen Cardimen, Abigail Cardimen, Brian Hao. Front Desk: Bill Lude, Major Crispin, George Biemel. Snacks – Votinos, Claire Haase, Farels, Biemels, Stacy Niedecker, Crispins, Margery Gress. And, of course, Pastor Robin. And, thanks to Thrivent for providing Action Grants to help us cover our publicity, food and snacks, craft supplies.

Your servant in Christ,  
Todd Engen



## **2 Corinthians 5:7** “for we walk by faith, not by sight--”

Hayden and I are back from the Philmont Scout Ranch, and this reading is so true, as we were hiking on top of a mountain during a thunderstorm. The picture above was as the thunderstorm was leaving the mountain we were on top of. We hope you had a great and memorable July and are looking forward to August as the summer is still here but kids are preparing to head back to school.

Our activity over the past couple of months has been to share our baby pictures. I’ve seen a great response and appreciate those pictures that both members and guests have enjoyed over the summer.

Our next fellowship activity is our outdoor service on August 11<sup>th</sup>! We will be providing the main dish (sandwiches), plates, plastic ware and drinks and we ask that you bring a side dish / dessert to share with the congregation.

Also, a small but very impactful, recurring event of fellowship is having a host provide a small snack after church. Our host list is in the Narthex on the bulletin board near our mailboxes. I would greatly encourage families to sign up. This is a great and easy way for each of us to help bring our Fellowship family together!

Look forward to seeing you in church!

Chad

*"True worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."*

**John 4:23-24**

### **Sunday School News**

We are planning on four classes beginning on Rally Day, September 15, 2019 at **9:00 a.m.** The classes will be pre/early elementary, elementary, post-confirmation/high school, and the adult class. Please see me if you feel called to teach or help out. We'll need at least two helpers for the young class.

Thank you to the adults who responded to the survey that was in the July newsletter. One comment was that we don't spend enough time on discussion of subjects. Consequently, we'll spend more time in discussion.

Rally Day is on September 15, 2019 starting at 9:00 a.m. with a breakfast you will not want to miss. After breakfast, teachers will be introduced and we'll have social time. I'm always open to suggestions and ideas for Sunday School.

### **Food Pantry**

LSS is still operating the food pantry at the Champion-Frebis location on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 12-2 p.m. The Westside pantry has moved to the Glenwood Community Center at 1888 Fairmont Ave. It will operate on Tuesdays and Fridays from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. This is a temporary move for the Westgate center which will be remodeled this winter.

They still need volunteers at both locations from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. I changed my volunteer day to Wednesday because of the donation center. I'm willing to coordinate working at Frebis on Wednesdays. You can call me at 614-764-1084. You may also call the main number 877-LSS-MEAL from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### **Men's Breakfast**

Our next men's breakfast will be on Saturday, September 14, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. All men are invited. Please come if you can. Come and enjoy breakfast and fellowship.

### **Amazing Grace Day Camp**

The AGDC was an outstanding success thanks to Todd Engen, Pastor Robin, and all the volunteers. Todd will mention all of them in his article. Thank you, Todd, for being the coordinator once again.

### **Golf Outing at Wilson Road**

I cancelled the golf outing because of extreme heat and little participation. I'll look at another date in October for a reschedule. If I can't get a good date, I will cancel the outing for this year.

In God's service,  
Bill

*And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. – Hebrews 13:16 (NIV)*

As disciples, we serve and give to others. These selfless acts bring love, caring, and joy to all. The Outreach Team has been asking you to support students to learn by providing school supplies. Your generosity is appreciated by the elementary, middle school, and high school students who are unable to purchase the needed supplies.

Originally, the Outreach Team was supporting the Mission Backpack project of Lutheran Social Services (LSS). We learned that LSS is not organizing the project this year. However, supplies are needed at some of the local pantries to offer to students who were not recipients of other school supply projects. We are pleased to help, so we will be donating the supplies gathered by the disciples of Fellowship Lutheran Church (FLC) to local food pantries, such as Smoky Row Brethren Church. The pantry volunteers are often asked for items other than food, e.g. school supplies.

The school supplies that FLC has collected as of July 29 are as follows:

**Elementary/Middle School -**

42 Spiral notebooks	41 Scissors (28 blunt/13 pointed)
26 Paper packs	26 Crayons, 16-count
24 Glue sticks (sets)	26 Pencils, #2 (sets) (78 regular/29 mechanical)
8 Glue	10 Tissues (boxes)
18 Erasers, 49 eraser caps	15 Basic calculators
28 Rulers	16 Colored pencils (sets)
22 Folders, 2-pocket	17 Pencil sharpeners
25 Binder, 3-ring (1")	23 Markers, 8-count

**And, additional items for High School -**

- 11 Dictionaries
- 12 Index card packs
- 11 Protractor/compass sets
- 2 Thesauruses
- 16 Highlighters
- 12 Pens (sets)
- 11 Subject dividers (sets)
- 2 Graph paper packs

**Additional items, included -**

- 4 Hand sanitizers
- 2 Dry erase marker packs
- 4 Ziplock bags
- 3 Water color paints
- 13 Black Sharpies
- 24 Backpacks



The items were collected, sorted, and assembled by individual backpacks per elementary/middle school grades and high school grades; and will be taken to the pantry at Smoky Row Brethren Church on August 1. There were 36 packs prepared. The pantry will begin distribution in early August. The packs will be gratefully, and humbly, received by students and their families. Your generosity is gracious, and valuable. Thank you so much!

In His Service,

Carol Jaeger

**"Our Church - All Are welcome"**



Thank you to all who have supported our car washes! Our carwash at Fellowship on Saturday, July 27th, raised \$221 that was put into our capital fund for our new roof.

Save the date! Pumpkins will be coming on Sunday, October 13th after church. This year we will be receiving a half truck load. We're hoping to have lots of volunteers to help us unload and work the patch through October 31st, Halloween. Please volunteer as you are able.

## **PUMPKIN PATCH**



Go in Peace, Serve the Lord,

John



*For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Isaiah 55:11*

On August 11, we will again worship under the open sky, in the midst of the beauty of nature created by God. While the trees of the field might not “clap their hands,” as referenced by Isaiah, we will enjoy the gift of music from our own FLC Band, directed by Todd Engen this year, and our joined voices.

This is a great opportunity to invite visitors to join us for a very special worship experience!

Our 7th annual outdoor service and potluck will again be held at Murphy Park. This service is a collaboration between the Worship and Congregational Life teams.

The service will begin at 10:00 am. **Please bring your own chair for the service.** Murphy Park is just south of Powell Road, off Village Pointe Drive. Businesses facing Powell Road next to the park are Handel’s Homemade Ice Cream and the Monte Carlo Italian Kitchen. A map showing the location of the park is [here](#).

A picnic lunch will follow the worship service. The church will provide an entrée and beverages, and we invite members to bring a side, salad or dessert to share. Feel free to note what you plan to bring on the tally sheet in the narthex. (Sign-up is optional, but it could help others plan their food contributions.)

### **Dedication of universal dossal in memory of Mark Roll**

On Sunday, August 18, we will dedicate our new universal dossal, given to FLC in memory of Mark Roll by his parents. We will unveil the beautiful new dossal at this service!

### **Summer worship**

From July through Rally Day in September, we will again follow a hymn-based liturgy and the alternate version of the Lord’s Prayer we introduced last summer.

### **Looking ahead**

As part of our ongoing ministry to our community, we will soon add a new “mission moment” to worship services. These “moments” will give us an opportunity to share personal experiences with sharing our congregation’s mission – To share God’s love and grace through our words and actions.

### **Dates to remember**

Outdoor service  
Healing service

August 11  
September 1

## Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Brings God to You

*"You shall put these words of mine in your heart and soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and fix them as an emblem on your forehead. Teach them to your children."*

**Deuteronomy 11:18-19 (NSRV)**

We were blessed to have had the Amazing Grace Day Camp (AGDC) come to Fellowship again this year from July 15-19. We served 20 of our community children and their families with this camp.

AGDC is run by Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Ohio (LOMO). LOMO also calls it "Outreach Camps." It uses the same counselors as serve at their traditional camps. Most of the counselors are students at Lutheran colleges such as Capital and Wittenberg that are nearby. They also recruit a small number from overseas. We've had one international counselor each year we've held the camp. The first year, Dervla was from Scotland. Last year, Tatianna came to us from South Africa. This year, Hanna came from Germany. The camp is the same program that LOMO runs at its traditional camps.



AGDC has come about for a couple reasons. True to the term, Outreach Camps, one reason is to reach out to communities that may not have the opportunity to get to a day camp. The Southern Ohio Synod invited us to host our first camp because we are in an area that could use an opportunity like this. I remember going to Camp Beisler in New Jersey when I was young. It was a lot of fun and a great family time. I have some 8mm films from the camp as a reminder. They had lots of things for the kids to do and it was lots of fun. Taking the camp on the road offers a chance to offer something like what the camp in the woods offers to kids who may never get out of the city or suburb.

Another reason for taking the traditional camp on the road is that our family lives have changed and our families' ability and desire to go to camp for a week has declined. The reality is that most church camps are struggling with the changing times. Last year, LOMO announced that, after much prayer and consideration, they were consolidating. They are selling Camp Mowana to the Trust for Public land and concentrating on Camp Luther and Lutheran Memorial Camp. The Richland County Parks Board has agreed to operate the camp. When I read this news, I was saddened, as Mowana was the place our Luther League went for retreats. However, LOMO is still operating programs out of the Mowana location. Similarly, the camp I went to in New Jersey is now Crossroads Retreat Center, a joint effort between the New Jersey Synod of the ELCA and the Episcopal Dioceses of Newark.

The ministry of LOMO continues in the remaining camps and at Camp Mowana.

For more info on LOMO or to donate, see: [www.lomocamps.org](http://www.lomocamps.org)

For details on LOMO's changes see: [www.lomocamps.org/revision2018](http://www.lomocamps.org/revision2018)

**FOR OUR MEMBERS:**

**Fritzi Bear**  
**Maxine Brunner**  
**Sam Brunner**  
**Major N Crispin**  
**Bob Drake**  
**Barb Fisher**  
**Curtis Fleisher**  
**Leena LeMay**  
**Mary McDaniel**  
**Sonja Meighen**  
**Joshua Mott**  
**Sue Perry**  
**Shawn Turnbull**

**FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:**

**Joan Albert**, Ruth Albert's mother...  
**Cindy Cramer**, Ruth Albert's friend...  
**Lyn Fitzer**, Bill Lude's friend...  
**Jeff Hardman**, Tom Mott's friend...  
**Chris Johnson**, Bruce Johnson's sister-in-law...  
**Hazel Lambert**, Karen Henry's mother...  
**Cindy Morgan**, Margery Gress' daughter's mother-in-law...  
**Gurunalth**, GuruMushi's father-in-law...  
**Guru Murthy & Divya Jyothi**, Prem Kumar's parents...  
**Holly**, Bill Zahn's friend...  
**June Patchett**, Jim Jaeger's aunt...  
**Pavani**, Guru Mushi's mother...  
**Prem Kumar**, Guru Mushi's father...  
**Kevin Swearingon**, Bill Lude's friend's son...  
**Shirley Tipton**, Michelle Cleveland's grandma...  
**Baby Hayden Valesky**, Votino's great nephew...  
**Maria Whitist**, Margery Gress' friend...

**FOR OUR SHUT-INS:**

**Lynn Brown**, Debbie Bear's mother

**DEATHS:**

**Diane Johnson**, Ed Lathy's sister...  
**Ruth Stekert**, Darcy Dom's friend...  
**Russell Thelin**, Sonya Thelin's father...

**August Birthdays**

Andy DeVantier	8/01
Sarah Lude	8/01
Shelby Defibaugh	8/04
Stacy Niedecker	8/04
George Biemel	8/05
Andy Lee	8/06
Emily Singeltary	8/08
Yuriko Tateyama	8/15
Eva Blackney	8/16
Sonya Thelin	8/17
Katherine Terentyev	8/23
Brian Singeltary	8/26



***Happy Birthday*** to those celebrating birthdays this month! This list reflects the information we have in our computer at this time. We welcome your corrections and additions!

**August Anniversaries**

Mike & Ruth Rankin	8/12
Jeanine & George Biemel	8/17
Susan & Erling Lee	8/24
Karen & Steve Espe	8/25



# Worship Server Schedule for August

Date	4-August	11-August
Time	10:00 AM	10:00 AM
Assist. Minister	Paul Wargowsky	Chris Tonn
Acolyte	Charlotte Tonn	
Lay Reader	Donna Williamson	Chris Tonn
Ushers	Chad Laucher & Tom Mott	
Altar Guild	Carol Scantland	Carol Scantland
Hymn Sel.	Cindy Frey	Cindy Frey
Counters		Andy DeVantier & Lori Hobbins
Greeters		
Host		Outdoor Service

Date	18-August	25-August
Time	10:00 AM	10:00 AM
Assist. Minister	Hayden Laucher	Todd Engen
Acolyte	Aleigha Crispin	Lorien Crispin
Lay Reader	Sonya Thelin	Carolyn Crispin
Ushers	Bill Farel & Jim Jaeger	Votinos
Altar Guild	Carol Scantland	Carol Scantland
Hymn Sel.	Cindy Frey	Cindy Frey
Counters	Bill Farel & Dianna Roll	Bill Lude & Pete Cardimen
Greeters	Jaegers	Bill Lude
Host	Outreach	



**Church Staff**

Pastor	Rev. Robin Wargowsky
Treasurer	Heather & Chris Tonn
Financial Secretary	Tracy Farel
Office Secretary	Tracy Farel
Organist	Michael Cherup
Sub. Organist	David Fleisher
Sunday evening pianist	Amy Wargowsky
Choir Director	George Biemel
Custodian	Kenneth Hunt

**Executive Committee**

President	Todd Engen
Vice-President	Mike Rankin
Secretary	Ruth Albert
	Pastor Robin

**Congregational Life**

Director	Chad Laucher
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**Education & Youth**

Director	Bill Lude
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**Outreach**

Director	Carol Jaeger
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**Stewardship & Support**

Director	John Votino
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**Worship**

Director	Sonya Thelin
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***Thank you for your leadership!!!***

# August 2019 Calendar

## Weekly Recurring Events

### Sunday

- 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m. - Worship and Praise

### Monday

- 8:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

### Thursday

### Friday

- 8:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous

## Other Events & Meetings

### August 11, 2019 (Sunday)

- 10:00 a.m. - Outdoor Service @ Murphy Park
- 11:00 a.m. - Potluck @ Murphy Park

### August 15 2019 (Thursday)

- 10:00 a.m. - SICC Pastors' Meeting @ FLC

### August 20, 2019 (Tuesday)

- 7:00 p.m. - Council

# August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 10 am - Worship 5 pm - Worship	29 6 pm - Wm Dinner 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	30	31	1	2 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	3
4 10 am - Worship 5 pm - Worship	5 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	6	7	8	9 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	10
11 10 am - Outdoor Worship Service @ Murphy Park, followed by potluck 5 pm - Worship	12 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	13	14	15	16 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	17
18 10 am - Worship 5 pm - Worship	19 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	20 7 pm - Council	21	22	23 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	24
25 10 am - Worship 5 pm - Worship	26 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	27	28	29	30 8 pm. - Narc. Anon.	31

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*Our Purpose:* To share God's love and grace through our words and actions.

*Our Vision:* To be a "called and gathered" family of faith whose members so fully experience the undeserved love of God that we are moved to express that same love of God, in our relationships with one another and our whole community . . .

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