Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022 10:30 am

Grace Lutheran Church Wenatchee, WA

# Welcome to Grace!

The stained-glass windows in our church display a beautiful collection of glass pieces, each one unique and important. The same is true for all of God's children. As people of Grace Lutheran Church, our diversity makes us stronger and more resilient.

We strive to welcome all. We want to be a church where all are safe, all are welcome. Believers, non-believers, doubters, seekers and questioners: You are welcome here. Old and young. Able or disabled. People of all sexual orientations and gender identities: You are welcome here. Rich and poor. Black, brown, and white: You are welcome here. Jeans and a t-shirt or a suit and tie. Addiction and mental health concerns: You are welcome here.

You are welcomed and valued here, because we are all pieces of stained glass, broken and beautiful in our own way.

As a church, we resolve to open our hearts, our minds, and our doors. We seek to reconcile ourselves to one another and to God, the master artist.

# **Our Mission Statement**

"To proclaim and celebrate the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and sacraments so that a community of believers is created, trained, nurtured, and sent into mission."

A note regarding livestreaming at Grace: With your participation in our worship services, we are assuming you have granted us permission to include you in our videos. If you have a concern about being included, please let one of the pastoral staff know, and we will help find a solution that meets your needs.

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

The disciples make a big splash and eat breakfast with the risen Jesus. Wading in the water (remembering baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.

\*COVID Guidance: You may choose to wear a mask during worship today; you are welcome to do so in order to meet your own comfort level. Masking and social distancing are no longer required.

#### GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

Prelude

# **3 Partitas\* on "At the Lamb's High Feast"** \*Partita=little piece

-John Ferguson

Please stand as you are able

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

 Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**G** Amen.

- Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- **P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

- A have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- C Amen.

#### **GATHERING SONG**

ELW 391, This Joyful Eastertide

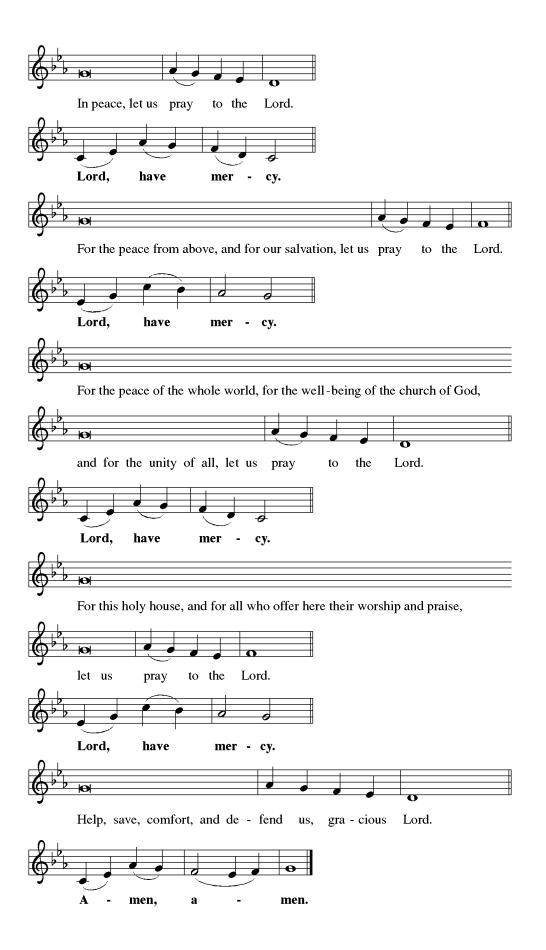


Music: VRUECHTEN, Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.

#### GREETING

- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G** And also with you.

# **K**YRIE



#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**



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#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray.

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

Please be seated

**MUSICAL OFFERING** 

# **Grant Us Your Peace**

Felix Mendelssohn

# WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

# FIRST READING: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

A reading from Acts.

Saul (later called Paul) was an ardent persecutor of all who followed the Way of Christ. This reading recounts the story of his transformation beginning with an encounter with Jesus Christ on the way to Damascus.

<sup>1</sup>Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" <sup>5</sup>He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." [<sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, <sup>12</sup> and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; <sup>14</sup>and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; <sup>16</sup>I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup>So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, <sup>19</sup>and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, <sup>20</sup>and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."]

The word of the Lord.

# C Thanks be to God.

# PSALM 30

<sup>1</sup>I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift-<sup>1</sup> ed me up and have not let my enemies triumph | over me. <sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried | out to you, and you restored | me to health. <sup>3</sup>You brought me up, O LORD, <sup>1</sup> from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down <sup>1</sup> to the grave. <sup>4</sup>Sing praise to the LORD, <sup>|</sup> all you faithful; give thanks in ho- | ly remembrance. <sup>5</sup>God's wrath is short; God's favor <sup>1</sup> lasts a lifetime. Weeping spends the night, but joy comes | in the morning. <sup>6</sup>While I felt se-<sup>|</sup> cure, I said, "I shall never | be disturbed. <sup>7</sup>You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong <sup>1</sup> as the mountains." Then you hid your face, and I was <sup>|</sup> filled with fear. <sup>8</sup>I cried to <sup>|</sup> you, O LORD; I pleaded with <sup>|</sup> my Lord, saying, <sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down <sup>1</sup> to the pit? Will the dust praise you or de-<sup>1</sup> clare your faithfulness? <sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and have mer- | cy upon me; O LORD, | be my helper." <sup>11</sup>You have turned my wailing <sup>|</sup> into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed <sup>1</sup> me with joy. <sup>12</sup>Therefore my heart sings to you <sup>|</sup> without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you | thanks forever.

# SECOND READING: Revelation 5:11-14

A reading from Revelation.

The vision of John recorded in Revelation offers a glimpse of cosmic worship around the throne. At its center is "the Lamb who was slain."

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>singing with full voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered

to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might

and honor and glory and blessing!"

<sup>13</sup>Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

"To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb

be blessing and honor and glory and might

forever and ever!"

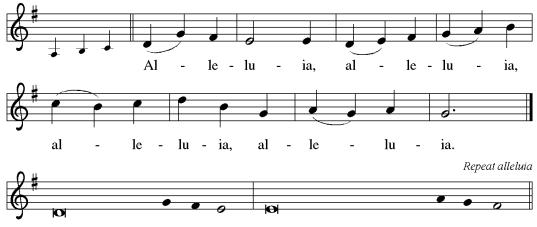
<sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

The word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

#### GOSPEL: John 21:1-19

**P** The holy gospel according to John.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

The risen Christ appears again to his disciples by the sea where they were first called. After echoes of the fishing and feeding miracles, he gives a final reminder of the cost of a disciple's love and obedience.

<sup>1</sup>After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup>But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." <sup>19</sup>(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

The gospel of the Lord.

# **G** Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

#### SERMON

#### HYMN OF THE DAY



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt. Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927 THE NICENE CREED

- **P** With the whole Christian Church on earth, let us confess our faith.
- **G** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

# After each portion of the prayers:

- **P** God, in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your lifegiving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**G** Amen.

# PEACE

- **P** The peace of Christ be with you always.
- **G** And also with you.

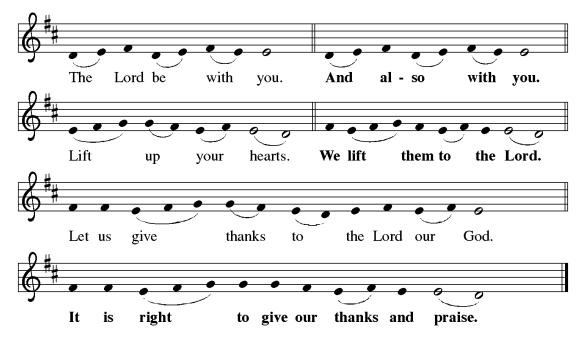
#### MEAL

# God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

# **OFFERING PRAYER**

- Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- **G** Amen.

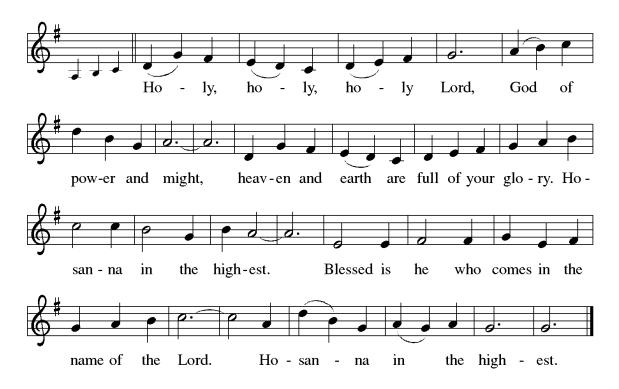
#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



#### PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



# THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore... Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:
- Christ has died.Christ is risen.Christ will come again.
- With this bread and cup we remember your Son... with the world made perfect through your wisdom, all our sins and sorrows will be no more.
- **G** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P Holy God, holy and merciful one, holy and compassionate... that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.
- G Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
- Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and petitions... through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever.
- **G** Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

**P** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

 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.

# Please be seated

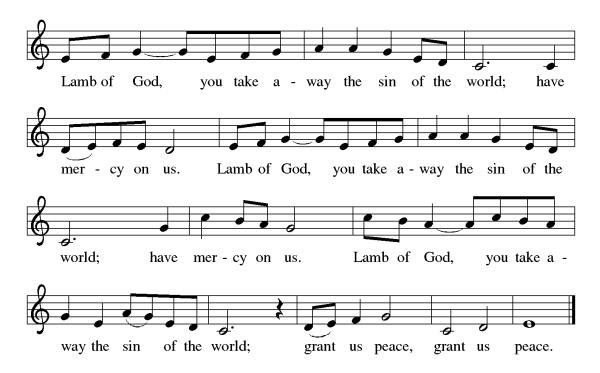
#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

#### COMMUNION

- The body of Christ, given for you.The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- **G** Amen.

# LAMB OF GOD



#### **COMMUNION SONG**

ELW 392, Alleluia! Sing to Jesus Sing Al - le - lu the 1 ia! to Je - sus; his scep - ter, 2 Al - le - lu ia! Not or - phans are we left in as heav - en, 3 Al - le - lu ia! Bread of here earth on our 4 Al - le - lu ia! King e ter -Lord om - nip - o nal, 5 Al - le - lu -Sing scep - ter, ia! Je his the to sus; his the throne; Al - le - lu ia! his the tri - umph, his the sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he near us; faith be is food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to tent we own; Al - le - lu ia! born of Mar - y, earth your his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the a - lone. Hark! The peace vic - to ry songs of ful cloud from ques - tions how. Though the sight lieves, nor re sor, you from day day. In - ter - ces friend of to As with - in foot - stool, heav'n your throne. the veil you vic - to a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful ry like "Je -Zi thun - der might - y on а flood: sus when the ceived him shall for ty days were o'er, our sin - ners, earth's re deem - er, hear our plea where the en - tered, robed in flesh. our great high priest, here on thun - der "Je -Zi - on like might - y flood: sus а ev - 'ry tion has re - deemed us by his blood." out of na prom - ise: "I with you ev - er - more"? hearts for - get his am a - cross the crys - tal sea. the eu - cha-ris - tic feast. less sweep of all the songs sin earth both priest and vic tim in out of ev - 'ry na tion has re - deemed us by his blood." -

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt. Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

Please stand as you are able

# **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P** Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**G** Amen.

# SENDING

# God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

# SENDING OF COMMUNION

- P Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick and homebound*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Please be seated

**BLESSING OF QUILTS AND PERSONAL CARE KITS** 

**MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

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#### BLESSING

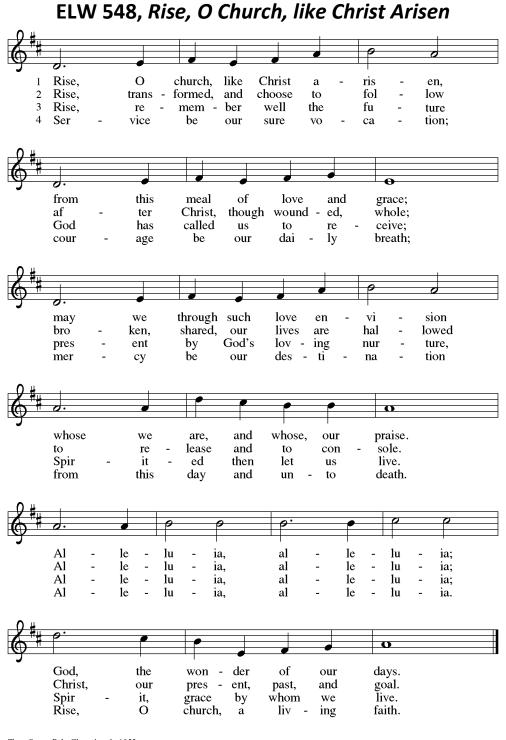
**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

C Amen.

#### SENDING SONG



Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953 Music: SURGE ECCLESIA, Timothy J. Strand, b. 1958 Text © 1997 Susan Palo Cherwien, admin. Augsburg Fortress. Music © 1997 Augsburg Fortress.

#### DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. Share the good news.

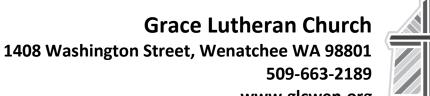
#### C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus -Setting by Charles W. Ore

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

**Presiding Minister:** Assisting Minister: Organist: **Musical Offering:** 

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