

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST July 13, 2025 at 9 AM

#### **Prelude**

Please stand as you are able.

**Opening Hymn** 

Lord, whose love through humble service

Hymnal 610





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# **Opening Acclamation**

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

All Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.

## **Collect of the Day**

Presider May God be with you.

All And also with you.

*Presider* Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

A// Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Amos 7:7-17

Reader

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by;

the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying,
"Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

`Jeroboam shall die by the sword,

and Israel must go into exile away from his land."

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, `Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now therefore hear the word of the LORD.

You say, `Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

Therefore thus says the LORD:

`Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land,

and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

# All Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 82 (spoken together)

- 1 God takes a stand in the council of heaven \* and gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, \* and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; \* defend the humble and needy;
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; \* deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; \* all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \* and all of you children of the Most High;

- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \* and fall like any ruler.' "
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \* for you shall take all nations for your own.

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Second Reading Colossians 1:1-14

Reader Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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A// Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

All children are invited to join the Gospel procession! Take an instrument from the basket and with joy & enthusiasm herald the proclamation of the Gospel!



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Holy Gospel Luke 10:25-37

Gospeler All The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeler

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of

robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, `Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

A// Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Very Rev. Joy Rogers

Following the sermon, we will hold a short period of silence, begun and ended with the ringing of a bell. As with all things in our liturgy, we do not expect perfection and celebrate that the Holy Spirit meets us wherever we are - be it in stillness or in the joyful presence of children in our midst.

Please stand as you are able.

#### **Nicene Creed**

All 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 the People** 

*Intercessor* With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in

need, and all of God's creation.

We pray, holy God, for the church universal -

for Paula, our Bishop

For our Better Together Partners, For all who serve your name in love.

O God, our Sanctuary, empower the church, and in your mercy,

A// Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray, merciful God, for the well-being of creation -

For the will and wisdom to care for the earth

For all those who strive to heal this planet we call home. O God, our Sustainer, preserve the earth, and in your mercy,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray, benevolent God, for the poor, oppressed, sick, bereaved, and lonely -

For those who are hungry and the homeless

For those without family or friends

O God, our Shepherd and Mother, protect the needy, and in your mercy,

All Hear our Prayer

Intercessor We pray, compassionate God, for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit -

For those in hospitals and those preparing for surgery

For those who have no medical care

For those who are incarcerated, especially those participating in our

prison pen pal Ministry

For those on our parish prayer list, and those whom we name now:

O God, our Healer, heal the sick, and in your mercy,

A// Hear our Prayer

*Intercessor* We pray, faithful God, for our congregation -

For deeper faith and stronger commitment for us all.

O God, Everlasting Arms, embrace this assembly, and in your mercy,

All Hear our Prayer.

*Intercessor* Receive our thanksgiving, eternal God, for all who have died in the faith, especially

those we name now:

That, at the end, we will join with them to rejoice in your presence. O God, our Homeland, gather us to yourself, and in your mercy,

A// Hear our Prayer

Presider Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your

mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

All Amen.

Adapted from: Gail Ramshaw. pray, praise, and give thanks: A Collection of Litanies, Laments, and Thanksgivings at Font and Table (Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 2017), 20-21.

#### **Confession**

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

All God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us

through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love

and serve only your will. Amen

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Je-

sus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep

vou in eternal life.

All Amen.

#### The Peace

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

#### **Offertory Hymn**

You shall cross the barren desert

WLP 811





Presider The Lord be with you.  $A/\!/$ And also with you. Presider Lift up your hearts.

 $A/\!\!/$ We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Presider  $A/\!\!/$ 

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and Presider

for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

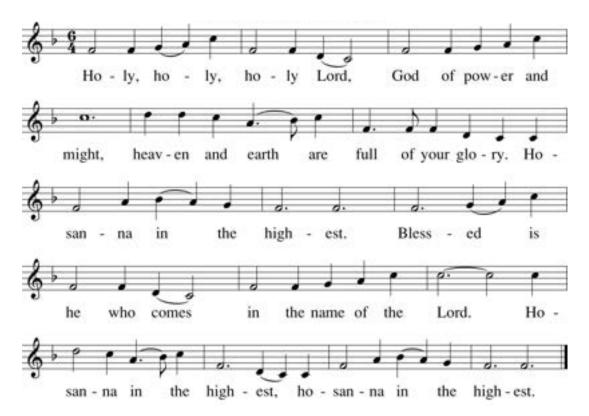
 $A/\!/$ Glory to you for ever and ever

Presider You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

> In Jesus, you Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family.

Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

#### **Sanctus**



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We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to Presider us, you showed us how much you love us.

He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you showed us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took

bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this , all of

you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do

this in remembrance of me."

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of

Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of

Jesus, in the breaking of the bread, and share in the life of the family of

your children.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

*Presider* Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,

that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing you praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the

Holy Spirit, now and forever.

All Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen

## The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Savior taught us, let us pray,

All Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

All Give us this bread forever.

Presider
"I am the vine, you are the branches."

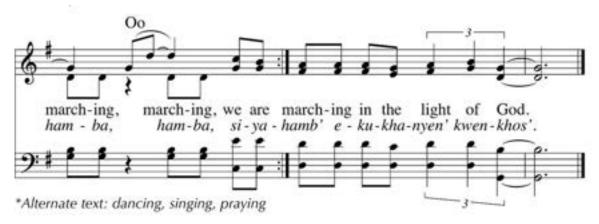
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May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

**Fraction Anthem** 

We are marching in the light of God





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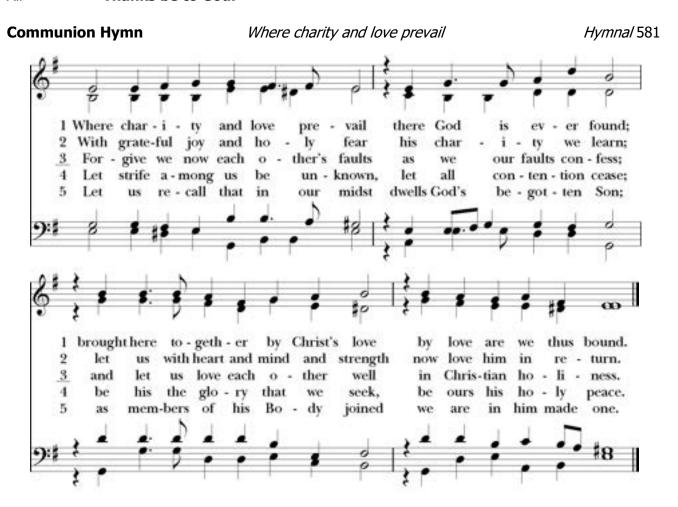
#### **The Communion**

Presider

The gift of God for the People of God.

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Thanks be to God.



6 Love can exclude no race or creed if honored be God's Name; our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.

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## **Prayer after Communion**

Presider

All you works praise you, O Lord.

And you faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others: we, whom the Spirit lights, give to the world.

Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

## **Blessing**

Presider

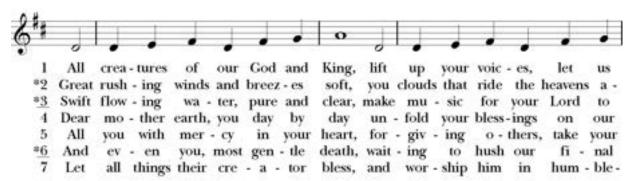
May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

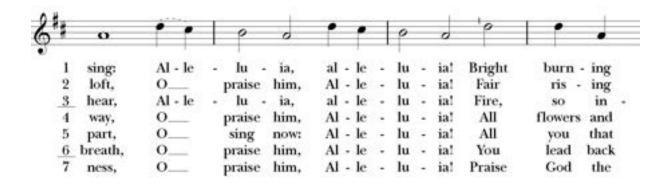
All Amen.

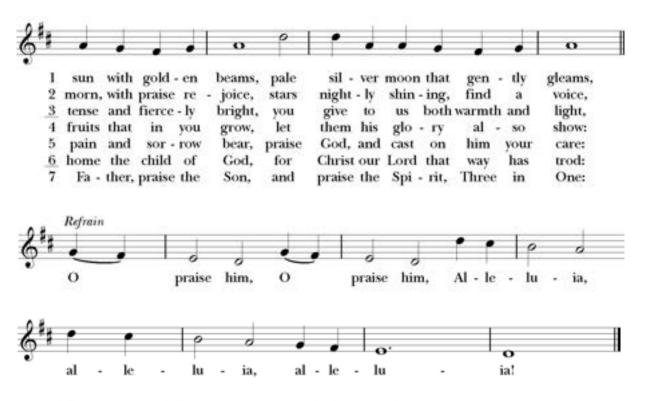
## **Closing Hymn**

All creatures of our God and King

Hymnal 400 (vs. 1, 4, 5 and 7)







The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

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#### **Dismissal**

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

#### **WELCOME!**

New to St. Lawrence? Please complete the top part of the newcomers card found in the pews and either drop it in the collection plate or hand it to an usher.

### "Soft Space" for Children

This space is for children young enough to enjoy a front row seat, up to age 10. The soft space gives kids a chance to experience our liturgy, worship, and communion without anything in their way.

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Narthex following the service

### **Community Prayers**

The Universal Church, its members and its mission; The Church of North India (United); and for our Companion Dioceses of Southeast Mexico and Renk.

The concerns of the local community, especially those who are affected by gun violence

Those who suffer and are in any trouble and those who have requested our prayers: the Smith family, the Frank family, Celeste, Danny, Kristine, Valorie, Craig, Jane, Cara, Joe, Robin, Duke, Phyliss, Mike, Ruth, Sherry, Matthew, George, David, Charlie, the Roberts family, Nancy, Ann, Carl, Katie

We pray for those who are incarcerated, especially: Charles, Christino, Gregory, Jermaine Karlondo, Maurice, Rickie, Robert, Shane, Damian

We pray for those awaiting children, especially: Lauran and Daniel, Diana and Shane; Liz and Nathanael, Emily and Brian

We offer thanksgiving for the arrival of children

We pray for those who have died

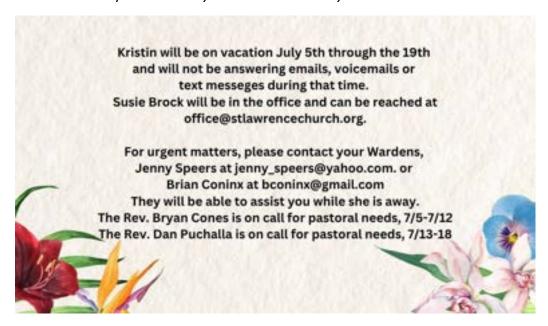
We pray for our beloved animal companions, especially: Buster, Rudy, Rollie

We pray for peace and healing in our nation and the world

We pray that peace and justice may come soon in places of war and conflict, and for all whose life of service puts them at risk; and for all victims of religious, racial and gender oppression throughout the world.

If you have a loved one you would like mentioned in the Prayers of the People list, please write their first name on the clipboard located at the rear of the church. You may also visit www.stlawrencechurch.org and click on "worship" and look for "Online Prayer Group".

Names are checked and updated weekly and refreshed every month





**Dog Days of Summer in Libertyville** From Friday, July 11 to Sunday, July 13.

Pet blessings
are available
in the narthex
immediately following the
service

## Help us be a welcoming space in our community

We need volunteers to be welcomers and supervisor of the Open Space. There are 2 hour shifts available each week. Everything you need will be waiting for you at the front door. We are keeping it safe and simple. Sign up through the weekly email or contact the office, office@stlawrencechurch.org for more information.



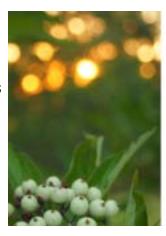
Office Hours
with
Kristin
will resume on
Thursday, July 24
5:00 - 6:30 PM
(weather permitting)
Independence Grove
Beer Garden



St. Lawrence has organized summer gatherings. These outdoor, backyard parties will be very casual, with light appetizers provided, bring your beverages to share. Please bring a "bag" chair.

July 18th Evenings With Friends will be hosted by

Lisa Wooddy and Wade Frazier 24 Sherwood Ct. Mundelein



Please join us for Evenings with with Friends July 18 6:00 - 8:00 PM

St. Lawrence



# Kid Friendly Backyard Happy Hour & Game Night!

Come and join your St. Lawrence friends for some outdoor play, chill games, and fun snacks! Kids of all ages and their adults are welcome to join in. Dates are below and locations will rotate month to month. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

For addresses, please contact Kristin, rector@stlawrencechurch.org.



Start your adult journey of faith! All youth entering **6th through 11th grade** are invited to enroll in this 2-year class to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation.

The class begins this September, and the Confirmation service will be held in spring of 2027. Details:

- Please be sure your youth can attend at least 7 of the 8 classes scheduled for Year 1
  (listed below). If you know this schedule does not work this year, please consider waiting for
  Confirmation to be offered again.
- This is a collaboration between St. Lawrence, Libertyville, and St. Gregory's, Deerfield. We will alternate locations between our two churches.

## Year 1 Schedule

Class will meet **once a month** during the school year on **Sundays**, **4:00-6:00 pm**:

• September 7

January 11

• October 5

• February 1

November 2

March 1

December 7

April 12

Ready? Enroll your youth (s) with the link in your weekly email.

## Adopt a Pet

We are sad to say that parishioner, Michele Lind is relocating abroad and is looking for a home for Merlin an 8 years old cat. They adopted him when he was two years old in California. We need a loving home and kind humans to care for Merlin. Merlin's temperament is mellow, easy to trust, friendly, and very cuddly. He loves attention and enjoys cuddling. He is more like a cat version of a Golden Retriever. He is a one-of-a-kind cat; anyone would be lucky to have him as a family member. If you are interested please use the link in your weekly email or contact the office, office@stlawrencechurch.org.



On the STL calendar (see the entire calendar on the STL website, stlawrencechurch.org)

Sunday, July 13 - Pet Blessing, Narthex, 10 AM

Tuesday, July 15 - Young Episcopal Seniors, Library, 11:30 AM

Thursday, July, 17 - Open Play, front steps, 9-Noon; No office Hours at Independence Grove

Friday, July 18 - Evenings With Friends, 6-8 PM

Tuesday, July 22 - Vestry meeting, Fireside Rm, 7 PM

**Thursday, July 24** - Open Play, front steps, 9-Noon; Kristin's Office Hours at Independence Grove, 5:00 - 6:30 PM

Friday, July 25 - Family Backyard Hangout

Saturday, July 26 - Hope Food Pantry, Narthex, 8-10 AM

\* Kristin will be out of the office Saturday, July 5 - Saturday, July 19. Please see page 16 for more information.



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