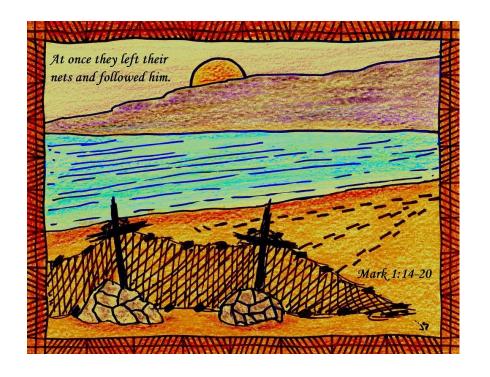
January 21, 2024 Third Sunday after Epiphany



Christ's Lutheran Church

700 East Pennsylvania Avenue Oreland, Pennsylvania

Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church connects individuals to God, each other, and the community.

Welcome to Worship at Christ's Lutheran Church!

As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the call to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

GATHERING

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,
we pour out our hearts before you.
We have known you but have not always loved you.
We have wounded one another
and sinned against you.
We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit
dwelling in each of us.
Remember your covenant.
Renew your creation.
Restore us,
that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.

God has spoken:

The time of grace is now.

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of + Jesus Christ,

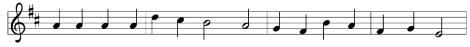
your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

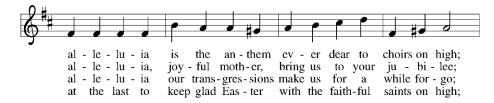
Amen.

Gathering Song

Alleluia, Song of Gladness ELW # 318



- 1 Al-le lu ia, song of glad ness, voice of joy that can not die;
- 2 Al-le lu ia you are sound ing, true Je ru sa lem and free; 3 Al-le - lu - ia can-not al - ways be our song while here be - low;
- 4 In our hymns we pray with long ing: Grant us, bless-ed Trin i ty,





Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Kyrie/Worthy is Christ

ELW Setting Four

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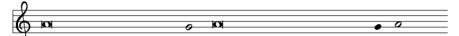
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



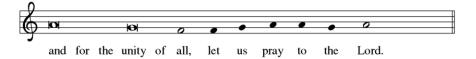


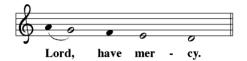
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

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

First Reading Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A reading from Jonah, chapter 3.

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62:5-12

W & P # 144 | Thy Word Is a Lamp



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

⁵For God alone I wait in silence; truly, my hope is in God.

⁶God alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.

⁷In God is my deliverance and my honor;

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁸Put your trust in God always, O people, pour out your hearts before the one who is our refuge. **Response**

⁹Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath; those of low estate cannot be trusted.

Placed on the scales together they weigh even less than a breath.

¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

¹¹God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

12Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay all according to their deeds.

Response

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A reading from First Corinthians, chapter 7.

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

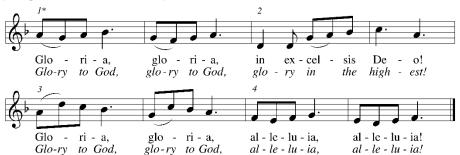
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Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit.

Gospel Acclamation (sing round as directed)

Gloria WOV # 640



^{*}May be sung as a round.

Text: Traditional Music: GLORIA 3, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994 Music © 1979, 1988 Les Presses de Taizé, admin. GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Children's Message

Pastor Axel Kaegler

A Moment of Prayer

Cradling Children in His Arm ELW # 444



Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872; tr. Johannes H. V. Knudsen, 1902–1982 Music: GAUDEAMUS PARITER, Johann Horn, 1490–1547 Text © 1976 Johannes H. V. Knudsen, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

The Message

Pastor Axel Kaegler

Please stand in body or spirit.

Hymn of the Day

I Love to Tell the Story ELW # 661











I love to tell the sto-ry; 'twill be my theme in glo-ry



Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911

Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849-1936

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

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.

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God our rock and deliverance, do not let your church be shaken. We trust you never abandon your promises to the most vulnerable among us. Give your church wisdom and empathy in its varied ministries. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

God our hope and refuge, you placed the fish in the sea. Guide our care of oceans and all creatures that live in them. Hold us accountable for actions that endanger water sources and the people who depend on them. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

God who proclaims judgement and offers mercy, be a model to the leaders of our nation and the world. As they lead, may they follow in your way of justice and truth. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

God who cares for the suffering, care for survivors of assault and sexual abuse and sustain all who minister to them. Keep safe any who live under threat of violence, those living in poverty, and any among us who are ill or in pain. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

God of resurrection and new life, as the first disciples shared the good news, empower us and this faith community to be open to your call. When we are uncertain of your call, assure us. When we have strayed from your ways, redirect us. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

God who holds the saints against your tender bosom, we trust you welcome them into your care. Comfort those who grieve, even as we place our hope in your salvation. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

You are invited to share God's peace with those around you and to greet those who are worshipping online.

Please be seated.

Musical Offering

"The Praver"

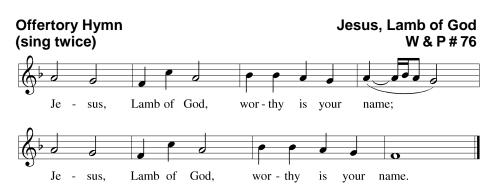
Sager/Foster arr. Fettke

"We pray You'll be our eyes and watch us where we go, and teach us to be wise in times when we don't know.

Let this be our prayer when we lose our way.

Lead us to a place, guide us with Your grace to a place where we'll be safe."

Please stand.



Text: Dennis Jernigan, refrain of "You are my all in all" Music: ALL IN ALL. Dennis Jernigan

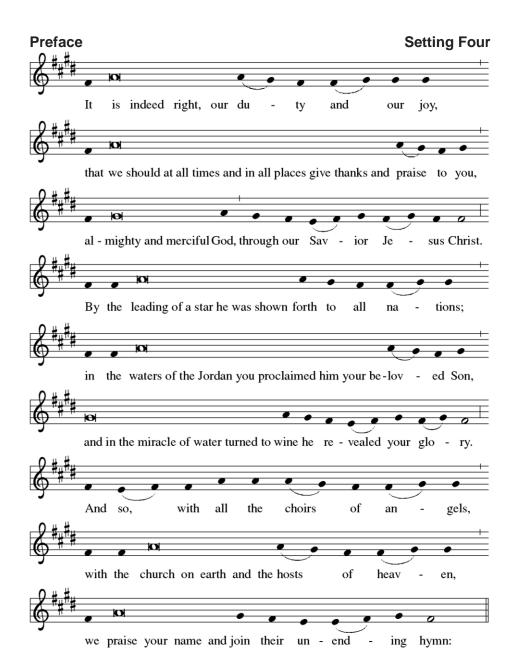
Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

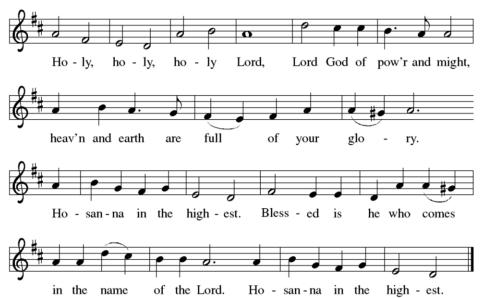
Great Thanksgiving Setting Four Lord be with you. And The with you. al - so Lift your hearts. them to the Lord. up We lift thanks the Lord our Let us give to God. It is right to give our thanks and



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Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW Setting Four



Words of Institution

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

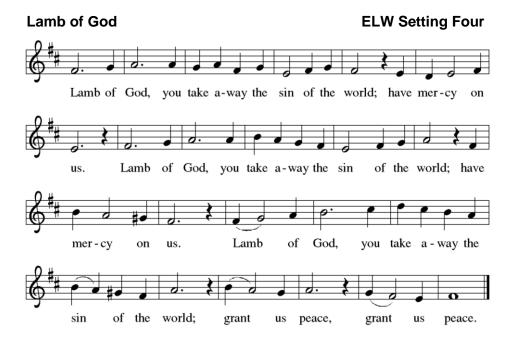
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

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

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.



Communion Hymn

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart ELW # 484



Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997 Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922–1996 Text and music © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Please stand.

Post Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Post Communion Song (sing once)

Cares Chorus



Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, + bless you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Sending Song

O Jesus, I Have Promised ELW # 810



Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt.

Music: MUNICH, Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are God's beloved. **Thanks be to God.**

Online Giving

To make an offering to support the work of Christ's Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, you may use this QR code to access our site for secure online giving.



Your Prayers Are Invited

We hope you will add the following people to your personal prayers. Those who are listed longer than 6 weeks can be found on the long term prayer list through the link in the weekly e-news or the monthly Link newsletters. To add a name to the prayer list or provide an update, please contact the office.

Tom Anglim (friend of Wes and Marda Craig)

Helen Curran (friend of Bob Kelly)

Clyde Engle

Paul Engstrom

Gil Gavish & Family (son-in-law of Elise & Steve Seyfried)

Paul & Rose Hill (friends of Shirley & Clyde Engle)

Irene, Mercy, Winnie, Allan, Baby Giovanni (family members of The Uehlings)

Jim Laubach (Pat Hallman's cousin)

Ken Leister (Don Hallman's brother-in-law)

Nancy Renner

Sherry Rich (Don and Judy Berger's niece)

Michelle Scutti (friend of Diane & Charlie Piantieri)

Ruth Smith

Dolores Sweeney

Nik Zitomer (Diane Polis' nephew)

We remember in prayer the family and friends of George Renner who died on January 14. May his loved ones be comforted by the promise and hope of the resurrection.

We remember in prayer the family and friends of the Reverend Hyacinth Mordey-Imhof who died on January 16. May her loved ones be comforted by the promise and hope of the resurrection.

The flowers on the altar and the bread and wine shared today are dedicated by Sally Werntz to the Glory of God!

Annual Meeting

Please join us for our annual meeting immediately following the 10:30 am service next **Sunday**, **January 28**, **2024**. The meeting will take place in the sanctuary.

Requested Information Regarding Jay Keeley

Many of our members remember Jay and Marge Keeley, long time CLC members. Jay, who passed away on January 10, was a member of our choir. Many of you have asked for the following information.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the SOIICF Food Pantry, 249 W. Boiling Springs Rd., Southport, NC 28461 where Jay donated his time **or** St. Peter Lutheran Church, 4843 Southport Supply Rd SE, Southport, NC 28461 with the memo "Make a Joyful Noise/Jay Keeley." As you might expect, Jay was very active with the choir at his church in Southport. If you would like to reach out to Marge, her address is 3583 West Medinah Ave., Southport, NC 28461.

St. Peter Lutheran Church in Southport, NC will be streaming the memorial service on Saturday, February 3 at 11am. Log on to Facebook and search "St. Peter Lutheran Church live stream, Southport."

Family Table

Family Table is open to families of all ages and make-ups. Come learn about God, our faith and how we walk in the world as People of God. Family Table meets Sundays at 9 am in Parish Hall. Any questions email director-spiritualform@christs-oreland.org.

National Youth Gathering

Finally the National Youth Gathering is coming again, this time July 16-20 2024 in New Orleans! This event is for current 8th-12th graders and adults over 21 who wish to accompany them. Also, for the first time ever a parallel gathering for Young Adults will be July 16-20 2024 in New Orleans and is open to young adults ages 18-35. Stay tuned for more information on these events! Contact Becca at director-spiritualform@christs-oreland.org with questions or if you already know you want to go!

Willow Grove Baptist Food Pantry Meat Drive

Community and Outreach is collecting frozen meats such as bacon, hot dogs, and chicken nuggets/fingers for the Willow Grove Baptist Food Pantry **now through Sunday, January 28th**. Please place all frozen meats in the coolers by the Giving Place in the Narthex. Any questions, please email Jen at community@christs-oreland.org.

Pub Theology

Join us for Pub Theology on the last Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at The Ways Restaurant and Brewery in Glenside.

Our next gathering takes place on Thursday, January 25.

Please let Pastor Kaegler know if you will be attending. clcseniorpastor@christs-oreland.org.

Wednesday Bible Study

All are welcome to join us for Bible Study on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am** in room 200 with Pastor Kaegler.

Please join us as our current bible study brings us through the Prophet Isaiah.

Willow Grove Food Pantry Collection

A box is located in the back of the Narthex by the "Giving Place" for donations of nonperishable items.

Once a month, or more if needed, we will drop off any donations to the pantry. Please consider bringing a nonperishable item to church with you each time you attend. Together we can help our brothers and sisters in need. Any questions please email Jen at community@christs-oreland.org.

CLC Evening Meditations

If you'd like to join the team of CLC meditation writers, contact John Frantz at johnhfrantz123@gmail.com or call for more details or to discuss at 215-885-4812.

Greeters Ministry

If you'd like to greet folks coming to church on Sunday morning with a warm welcome, the Greeters Ministry is for you! Individuals, pairs, and groups are all welcome to sign up! A SignUpGenius can be found in the weekly enews or contact Chris Mudge at chrismudge64@yahoo.com or the church office.

Home Visits

If you or someone you know would like Pastor Kaegler to visit, please contact him at clcseniorpastor@christs-oreland.org or by calling the church office at 215-886-4612.

Altar Flowers / Bread and Wine

Would you like to sponsor the flowers decorating the altar on a Sunday morning? A sign-up sheet is available in the church lobby or you may contact the church office. Flower arrangements are \$30 apiece.

Bread and wine are also available to be sponsored for communion services. A sign-up sheet is available in the church lobby or you may contact the church office. Bread and wine are available to be sponsored for \$15.

PBJ Sandwich Donations

Please make PBJ sandwiches with plain white bread, creamy peanut butter, and grape jelly. Wrap sandwiches in individual sandwich baggies and leave them uncut. Mark your bag with the number of sandwiches enclosed.

PBJ sandwiches can be dropped off at the following times:

Sunday mornings (narthex fridge), Mondays from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 11:45 am. Coolers will be outside the chapel on Mondays and Tuesday.

If you'd like to help with delivery, please contact the church office.

Thanks to your continued support of this program CLC donated 131 sandwiches this past week!

Christ's Lutheran Preschool

We are presently accepting registrations for our September 2024-2025 Preschool Programs. All programs meet from 9:00-12:00.

If you are interested in one of our programs or want to schedule a tour, please contact Sally Mead, director, for a registration form at clcpreschool@christs-oreland.org or 215.886.4612 ext 6.

Enrollment is limited so you will want to register as soon as possible.

A \$50.00 non-refundable family registration is due at the time of registration. *Christ's Lutheran members will receive a 10% family discount on tuition.*

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Communion Assistants John Frantz. Sue Frantz

Soundboard Diane Polis

Livestream Rick Daniels, Don Hallman, John Melnick, Paul Zieger Counters Sue Frantz Closer Allison Uehling

Greeter(s)

Allison Uenling
TBD

Altar Guild Marlene Foody, Pat Hargraves
Assisting Minister next week Nick Ebner

This Week at CLC!

Sunday	9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Family Table Choir Rehearsal Worship at CLC and online
Monday	9:30 am 10:00 am – 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Monday Morning Men PBJ Collection (chapel) Boy Scout Troop 1 (PH)
Tuesday	9:00 am – 11:45 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	PBJ Collection (chapel) Lions/Tigers (203/204) Wolf Cubs (200) Webelos (203/204)
Wednesday	10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Study (200) AA (PH) AOL Webelos (200)
Thursday	7:00 pm	Pub Theology (off-site)
Friday	8:00 pm	AA (200)

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