# **Christ the King Episcopal Church**



The 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist, Rite II September 10, 2023 10:30 am

#### Welcome to Christ the King Episcopal Church!

If you are a seasonal guest, we are delighted that you found your way to the "church in the wildwood" and we invite you to consider Christ the King as your church home away from home. If you live in the area and do not have a church home, we invite you to journey with us as followers of Christ in this wonderful community!

A note about our worship service: We understand that newcomers to the Episcopal Church might be a little lost during the worship service. Don't worry – you are in good company! Many of us did not grow up in the Episcopal Church, but were drawn to the way that our worship feels simultaneously ancient and contemporary. So if you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Episcopal Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. It is most important that you experience the sights, sounds, and silence of our worship service.

The worship bulletin contains the scripture lessons for the day, and points you to page numbers in the red *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), which is found in your pew rack. At the 10:30 service, hymns are found in the blue *Hymnal 1982*, which is also in the pew rack. There are pamphlets in the pamphlet rack in the church narthex (lobby) that give helpful information about the Episcopal Church. Feel free to pick some up and read through them.

## **Making Connections**

Any time the Gospel talks about sin, it is in the context of God's loving forgiveness. In the Gospels, Jesus doesn't show a lot of interest in people's morality, but he is always restoring people to relationships of love and forgiveness.

We need to remember this to live as the community of Jesus. Our love is a decision. And we need the community's support for loving the unlovable because, without that support, no one can hope to live in service to others. To be faithful, we must take up the hard work of love with others.

This is one of those instances where it really is more important to be religious than it is to be spiritual. It is great to have your own private spiritual experience. But loving others, practicing your spiritual life in a place where people might challenge you, or confront you, or need you is hard. And it is the reign of God come to earth.

#### The Entrance Rite

The flowers on the altar today are donated in loving memory of my son, Clayton and in honor of my son, Ridge by Dale Crafton

The Prelude: David Ott, Organ

The Welcome & Announcements

The Invitatory & Entrance Rite (standing)

Celebrant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

People Come, let us adore him.

The Ringing of the Bell

The Hymn in Procession (standing)

**Hymn 455** 

**The Opening Acclamation** 

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Collect for Purity & Summary of the Law

-You are invited to close your eyes as the priest prays the collect. Your only response comes at the very end with the "Amen."

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# The Liturgy of the Word

# The Collect of the day: Proper 18 (standing) BCP 233

-You are invited to close your eyes as the priest prays the collect. Your only response comes at the very end with the "Amen."

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The First Lesson: Ezekiel 33:7-11 (seated)

Illumination: God pleads with his people to renounce their evil ways, allowing him to lead them into righteousness and joy.

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Lector The word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

# The Response: Psalm 119:33-40 (read responsively by whole verse)

- 33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, \* and I shall keep it to the end.
- 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; \* I shall keep it with all my heart.
- 35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, \* for that is my desire.
- 36 Incline my heart to your decrees \* and not to unjust gain.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; \* give me life in your ways.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, \* which you make to those who fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, \* because your judgments are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; \* in your righteousness preserve my life.

#### The Second Lesson: Romans 13:8-14

Illumination: The law of love has no loopholes; indeed, its purpose is to blanket all situations and make us vessels of God's great love.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Lector* The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia Acclamation



## The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 18:15-20 (standing)

Illumination: Brothers and Sisters in Christ must in love and honesty guide one another in a virtuous life. Together we submit to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### Alleluia Acclamation



## The Homily (seated)

# The Rev'd Richard G. Proctor, OA<sup>1</sup>

The period of silence that follows the sermon is a good time to open your Prayer Book to page 358 so that you will be ready for the Nicene Creed.

## The Nicene Creed (standing)

**BCP 358** 

# The Prayers of the People<sup>2</sup> (kneeling or standing)

**Celebrant**: God our sustainer, you have promised that whenever two or three are gathered in your name, you are among us: Unite your church as we bring our prayers to you, saying: Teach us, O God, the way of your statutes; give us life in your ways.

#### **Intercessor:**

Gracious One, you have gathered your Church under Christ's command that we love one another: Loose your people from all misunderstanding that leads to conflict and bind us with the ties of mutual regard for the sake of your Son Jesus. Teach us, O God, the way of your statutes;

give us life in your ways.3

Mighty One, you call our nation and the leaders of the world to fulfill your law by loving our neighbor as our selves: Give courage to the powerful to lay aside the works of darkness and to put on the armor of light, to protect our planet and its people, and to mediate your peace and love.

We pray for Joe, our President; Ron, our Governor; and the members of the Walton County Commission.

Teach us, O God, the way of your statutes;

give us life in your ways.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>"OA" stands for the ORDER OF THE ASCENSION, a dispersed Episcopal, Benedictine religious community that helps ground and center its members in their daily life and their roles as parish leaders and developers. Members take a promise "to seek the presence of Jesus Christ in the people, things and circumstances of life through stability, obedience and conversion of life." Fr. Richard entered the novitiate process with OA in 2019, and took his life vows in May 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Prayers of the People are written by The Rev'd Lowell Grisham, OA. Each petition includes a reference to one of today's assigned scripture readings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The versicle and response is taken from today's Psalm.

Loving God, you bring the oppressed into freedom and you work for the liberation of all: Hear the cries of all who suffer and lead them to a place of feasting and celebration for the day of their deliverance.

Teach us, O God, the way of your statutes;

give us life in your ways.

Uniting God, you call us to reconciliation and peace within our community, and you command us to love one another: Let your graciousness dwell in this city, that we may live honorably and generously.

Sanctify the outreach ministries of our parish by the power of your Holy Spiritespecially our partners in ministry at Zihuatanejo Christian Ministries in Mexico and The Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center.

Teach us, O God, the way of your statutes;

give us life in your ways.

Compassionate One, you invite our neighbors into the circle of your divine love: Hear our prayers for those who are near and far, especially those on our parish prayer list.

We sing our songs of thanksgiving to you for all the blessings of this life, especially for the Flower Guild of St. Therese here at Christ the King. We remember before you those who have entered into your heavenly feast, especially Peter Puglia and Marlene Weller.

Teach us, O God, the way of your statutes;

give us life in your ways.

**Celebrant**: Open our eyes, dear God, to see that the night is far gone and the day is close, that your salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers: Clothe us with the armor of light, that we may put on the Lord Jesus Christ and live in his love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

The Confession of Sin and Absolution (kneeling)

**BCP 360** 

### The Peace (all stand)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

# **The Holy Communion**

## The Offertory (seated)

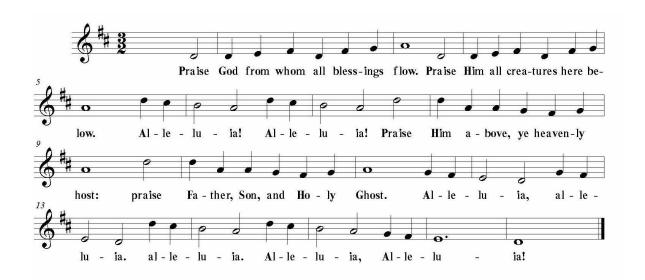
At this time, the bread and wine are brought forward to the altar. You can make an offering via text message or QR code, see the green "Give" card in the pew rack. Now is a good time to open your Prayer Book to page 361 for the Eucharistic Prayer

# The Offertory Hymn (seated)

**Hymn 683** 

### The Presentation of the Gifts (standing)

At this time, the collection plates are brought forward and presented at the altar.



Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord:

People And of thine own have we given thee.

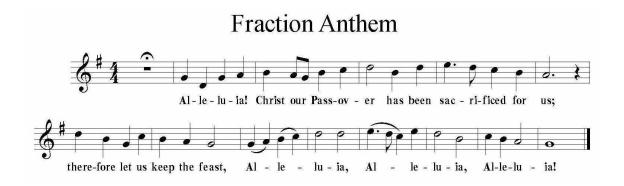
# The Great Thanksgiving (standing) Eucharistic Prayer A

**BCP 361** 

# The Lord's Prayer<sup>4</sup> (sung)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The music for this setting of the Lord's Prayer was composed by the Rev'd Carl Bright, who served as the first Rector of Christ the King Episcopal Church 1989-2003.



#### The Invitation to Communion

All are invited and encouraged to come forward to the altar rail during communion. All baptized Christians, regardless of tradition/denomination, are welcome to receive communion. To receive the Body of Christ/Bread, place one hand over the other, palms facing upwards, and the minister will place the Bread in your hand. To receive the Blood of Christ/Wine, place your hand on the base of the chalice to assist the chalice bearer in bringing the chalice to your lips (or you may dip the Bread in the Wine if you prefer). Those who are not baptized or who are baptized but do wish not to partake in the Eucharistic Elements, cross your arms over your chest, and you will receive a blessing from the priest. If you are interested in the sacrament of baptism, please see Fr. Richard after worship...he'd love to have a conversation with you!

## The Communion Hymn (seated)

**Hymn 691** 

On Sundays when we send out a Lay Eucharistic Visitor, the following is said:

Celebrant

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one Body, because we share in one bread, one cup.

The Prayer for Mission (standing)

**BCP 365** 

The Blessing BCP 366

# The Hymn at the Procession (standing)

**Hymn 376** 

#### The Dismissal

The Celebrant says the Dismissal.

People Thanks be to God. (Alleluias are only added during the great 50

days of Easter)

The Postlude: Dr. David Ott, Organ

### Special thanks go out to the ministers of our worship services today:

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Peter Evans & John Tait

Crucifer: William Justiss

Torch Bearer: Griggs Justiss

Lector: Nan Jacobs

Prayers of the People Intercessor: Buffy Miller

Usher: Steve Bonn & Chip Haring

Greeter: CoCo Holman

Altar Guild: Jenny Adams Flower Guild: Jane Hinte

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# Vestry (Vestry meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 5:30pm until 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend.)

Dale Dalbey Rector's (Sr.) Warden

Don King People's (Jr) Warden

Brian Kellenberger At-Large

Meredith Spector Parish Life

John French Adult Formation

Sallie Peebles Pastoral Care

Jim Moomaw Worship

Mark Mahaffey Outreach & Mission

Ruth Johnson Secretary/Tree House Liaison

Tom Potts - Treasurer



#### Monday, September 11

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room)

**8:30AM** – Morning Prayer(*Sanctuary*)

**8:30AM** – Parent's Bible Study(*Parlor*)

11:00AM – Women's Monday Morning Study Group(Library)

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

#### Tuesday, September 12

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room)

**8:30AM** – Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

**7:00PM** – Women's Primary Purpose AA Meeting (Conference Room)

7:00PM - AA Meeting (Youth Room)

#### Wednesday, September 13

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room)

**8:30AM** - Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

3:30PM – CtK Kid's Club (Parish Hall)

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

**5:30PM** – Youth Group (Youth Room)

#### Thursday, September 14

**8:00AM** – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room)

**8:30AM** – Morning Prayer (*Sanctuary*)

**10:00AM** – Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina

**4:00PM** – Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

**6:30PM** – Women's Bible Study(*Parlor*)

7:00PM - Al-Anon Meeting

**7:00PM** – Women's Primary Purpose AA Meeting (Conference Room)

#### Friday, September 15

8:00AM – A.A. Meeting (Youth Room) 8:00AM – Men's Breakfast & Bible Study 7:00PM – Alcoholic's Anonymous

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

Church wide Event! Help our Acolyte team with their trip to the National Acolyte Festival in Washington, D.C. - Join us for a special Acolyte Fundraiser for coffee hour. \$\$ Donations accepted! Sunday, September 24th- 11:30-1:30 pm for Bingo, Brunch & Bubbles. \$10 per card, drinks by donation and several prizes to be won!! \*\*All children will have their own activities/games and snacks in the children's room and playground. The Bingo & Brunch is for adults. Any questions- Ms. Lauren 334-701-7777

Concerts at Christ the King An afternoon of musical and classical delights awaits you on September 24th. Highlighted by the refreshing and spontaneous melodies of Haydn's Surprise Symphony, thirteen of the finest musicians from Florida and Alabama will delight and amaze you with their skills and talents. Tchaikovsky's powerful and passionate music of Swan Lake and the delightful Trumpet Concerto of Johann Fasch are all part of a magnificent program of musical merriment. Mark you calendar for Sunday, September 24 at 2:30 PM. The concert is right here in the magnificent sanctuary of Christ the King and is free of admission charge.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Parish Ministry Opportunities The

members of Altar, Flower and Pastoral Outreach Ministries are hosting a Wine and Cheese meet and greet on Thursday, September 14 at 4:30 pm in Sandefur Hall. If you are interested in learning more about us and possibly joining these groups, please come and see what we have to

offer. RSVP: Jane

Hinte: jane300M@verizon.net

Calling all coffee hosts! We are in need of coffee hosts for the next few Sundays after the 8:00am and 10:30am services! If you are interested in brewing some coffee and bringing some donuts, cookies or pastries, please let the office know office@christthekingfl.org. Thank you!

# Can We Take (and Share) Christ to our Homebound Sisters and Brothers? As

Fr. Richard mentioned in a sermon recently, a goal at Christ the King is for our shut-ins to be taken communion at least once a month. This goal is achievable, but only if we can identify parishioners who feel called to this meaningful ministry. You will learn a lot during the training, your faith will be deepened, and the reward is great! Please contact Sallie Peebles at 404-218-7047 if you are willing to participate.

Medicine Bottle Reminder please bring empty medicine bottles and also empty vitamin bottles to CtK. Tommy Fairweather makes sure that all bottles have the information on the bottles taken off. Just bring them in and put on the table right inside the Parish Hall. Thank you!

#### **CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Sharon Ingram(10); Grace Catherine Justiss(10); Huxley Tucker(10); Mick Guthals(11); Robert Hahn(11); Jamie Lynn(12); C.H. Wilson(12); Marianne Burbach(13); Trisha McDowell(13); Don Childs(14); Marty Mars(15); Kav Tucker(15) & Lauren Justiss(16)

#### PARISH PRAYER LIST

Parishioners: Dale Holman\*; Katie Ott; Lynn Crevar; Carl & Jo Bell; Jacquie Childs; Marlise Reis; Ann Schultz: Dawn Whitty; Buffy Miller & Lark Harbeson; Dooley Culbertson; Linda Watson & Josephine Wellborne

Friends & Family: Christy Herndon;
Tammy Follis; Karen Madrid; Teeny
Carson; Jason Stanley; Rebecca Balkcom;
Linda Box; Cooper Akin; Henry Pegram;
Emily Davis; Bob Fairweather; Laura
Wheeler; Cristina Fernandez; JR Rondinon;
Brandon Yates; Donna Brinkley; Rosella
Sacco; Tricia Spencer; Alex Porterfield;
Evie Butler & Judy Owen

Parishioners Serving in the Military and their families: Wilson Hunter; Eric Alexander; Gus Neely, Cinnamon Kellenberger; John McKenzie & Anthony Portz

#### **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

#### CtK Kids Club

Singing, Bible stories, games, snack! K-4th Graders \*\*\$5 Donation RSVPCTK.COM

#### **Children News:**

# We are back to our fall Sunday morning schedule!

Nursery is open from 8-noon for ages 0-4 year olds.

Sunday School from 9:15-10:15 ALL ages.

Children's Chapel resumes during 10:30 Service. Children will begin in the service with their family and go to Children's Chapel with Ms. Katie after the Children's Message. They will return to the service during the Peace. Email Katie with any questions dff@christthekingfl.org

#### **Youth News:**

Youth Group meets every Wednesday
Drop off begins at 5:30 p.m. with pick up at
8 p.m. Any questions, text Ms. Lauren at
334-701-7777 or email
ctkyouth@christthekingfl.org
Youth Group- Dinner, Fellowship & Bible
Study (\$5 suggested donation)

## ADULT FORMATION-SEPTEMBER

"Habits of the Household" - A Class for

Parents w/ Young Children:
Mondays, 8:30am-10:00am! "Habits of the Household" introduces simple habits and easy-to-implement daily rhythms that will help you find meaning beyond the chaos of family life as you create a home where kids and parents alike practice how to love God and each other. We meet in the parlor on Mondays from 8:30-10 and nursery is open 8:15-10:15! Rsvp to Rachel Meyer, or just drop in if you're curious! rachel.danielle.meyer@gmail.com

Women's Monday Morning Study
Group We meet in the Hughes Library
from 11:00 am-noon. We will meet
tomorrow Monday, September 11. On this
date, we will begin our study of John
Goldingay's Psalms for Everyone, Book
2. (The cost of each book is \$18.00.) We
will use Goldingay's book for his excellent
commentary along with the Psalms
translations in The Book of Common
Prayer. We end each class with Noonday
Prayer and then have a brown bag
lunch and social time together. Please
email Karen Potts with any questions or for
more information.

kpotts5@cox.net

The CTK Men's Fellowship will begin to meet again on Thursday, September 21st from 5:15-6:45 in the Parlor. The CTK men's fellowship gathers to discuss topics of mutual interest, how our faith impacts our lives, personal issues confronting us, and sharing the passing of our lives together. A sacred and safe space is created in the form of council for each man to speak and listen from the heart as they tell their

story. This kind of work helps create deep friendships, connections, and bonds that are often missing in today's world of impersonal interactions. If you enjoy exploring and conversing about spiritual, mythopoetic, ethical, and social themes from a biblical perspective then consider joining in. Join us for an engaging and even life changing time together. Please contact John French at (850) 420-9803 or formation@christthekingfl.org with any questions. All men are welcome.

#### How well do you really know the New

**Testament?** Where it came from? Its message and meaning?

Join us for an eight-week study into the real story behind the New Testament starting Sunday, Sep. 17<sup>th</sup> through Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> in Sandefur Hall at 9:15AM. Each week we will watch and discuss a session from the "The New Testament You Never Knew" DVD series. While in the Holy Land, Biblical scholars N.T Wright and Michael F. Bird take us on a tour of the story behind the explosive story of the New Testament. You will discover things you never knew about Jesus' baptism and journey into the wilderness, the meaning behind his parables and miracles, the significance of his death and resurrection, the incredible expansion of the early church into the Greco-Roman

world, and how the transforming mission of Jesus can still turn the world upside down today. All are welcome. Join us for a fresh and not-so-familiar behind-the-scenes look at the New Testament. Please contact John French at (850) 420-9803 or <a href="mailto:formation@christthekingfl.org">formation@christthekingfl.org</a> with any questions.

# Centering Prayer/Lectio Divina/Book Study on Thursdays 10:00am-

12:00pm. Thursdays offer several ways to increase our community spirituality. We begin in the library at 10:00 am for 20 minutes of Centering Prayer. We then pray a passage of *lectio divina* at 10:30. (This is a quiet method of letting scripture speak to you.) At 11:00 we read and discuss Intimacy with God, by Thomas Keating. If you would like more information about Centering Prayer please contact John Box at boxjohnbox@gmail.com.

Fall Women's Bible Study Join Rev. Emily Proctor (and Church Historian Justo L. Gonzalez) on a 13-week journey with the Gospel of John on Thursday evenings. Exact time and location TBD. For more information, join us at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7 in the parlor! Email Emily at <a href="mailto:Emily.Rose.Proctor@gmail.com">Emily.Rose.Proctor@gmail.com</a> or text 850-783-0237 with questions or to reserve a book(\$15).

# Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Every Friday

8:00-8:30 - Breakfast and fellowship / 8:30-9:30 - Bible Study and prayer. We are currently studying The Gospel of Matthew. The Bible Study is led by Darold Smith, who is using William Barclay's Commentary "The Gospel of Matthew." Contact Darold Smith <a href="mailto:aristacraft@yahoo.com">aristacraft@yahoo.com</a> for more information.

#### **Sunday Services**

8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist Rite II Nursery & Children's Church meet during this time

#### Weekday Morning Prayer

8:30 AM Monday-Thursday

#### Weekday Evening Prayer

4:00 PM Monday-Thursday



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