



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

The Rev. Dr. Tyler J. Parry, Priest-in-Charge

Our Mission Statement:

To spread the Gospel to all people through hospitality, service, and spiritual growth.



THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 28-29, 2025

Said Holy Eucharist, Rite II

5:00pm Saturday

Sung Holy Eucharist, Rite II

11:00am Sunday

Please silence all cell-phones & digital devices until after the Service! Thank you.

SATURDAY SAID LITURGY OF THE DAY

Headings marked with an asterisk (*) Sunday only; Hymns are omitted and those portions of the liturgy designated to be sung are said. "BCP" with a page number refers to The Book of Common Prayer.

SUNDAY SUNG LITURGY OF THE DAY

Mass Setting: Robert Powell (1932-2025)

The Musicians of St. Luke's

Max Roche, Baritone

Maria Zengion, Organist and Choirmaster

Hymns, in numerical order, are in the 1982 Hymnal; service music is listed on the service leaflet and may be found in the front of the 1982 Hymnal, with "S" before the number. "BCP" with a page number refers to The Book of Common Prayer.

PRAYER BEFORE THE SERVICE

O Almighty God, *who pourest* out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to *thee*, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship *thee* in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***PRELUDE Voluntary**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #518 Christ is made the sure foundation**

Westminster Abbey

All stand, as able.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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ALMIGHTY GOD, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GLORIA

S280

GLORY to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit.

THE FIRST READING 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Reader A reading from the Second Book of Kings

WHEN THE LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying,

"Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 77:1-2, 11-20

Voce mea ad Dominum

**Sung by the choir*

BCP page 693
Plainsong Chant

I WILL CRY ALOUD to God; *
 I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; *
 my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;
 I refused to be comforted.
11 I will remember the works of the LORD, *
 and call to mind your wonders of old time.
12 I will meditate on all your acts *
 and ponder your mighty deeds.
13 Your way, O God, is holy; *
 who is so great a god as our God?
14 You are the God who works wonders *
 and have declared your power among the peoples.
15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, *
 the children of Jacob and Joseph.
16 The waters saw you, O God;
 the waters saw you and trembled; *
 the very depths were shaken.
17 The clouds poured out water;
 the skies thundered; *
 your arrows flashed to and fro;
18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
 your lightnings lit up the world; *
 the earth trembled and shook.
19 Your way was in the sea,
 and your paths in the great waters, *
 yet your footsteps were not seen.
20 You led your people like a flock *
 by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

THE SECOND READING Galatians 5:1,13-25

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

FOR FREEDOM CHRIST has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

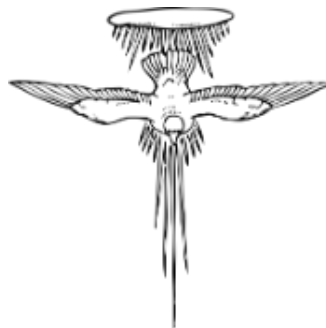
By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

***SEQUENCE HYMN #513 Like the murmur of the dove's song**

Bridegroom



THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62

All standing, as able.

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

WHEN THE DAYS drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



THE SERMON

All sit.

Father Parry

THE NICENE CREED

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All stand, as able.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intervessor Called to follow Jesus, let us offer our prayers for all people, saying: Holy God, hear our prayer.

For the Church: especially for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our bishop and Audrey bishop of Central Pennsylvania, that we may hear God's call to discipleship and follow in faith and joy.
Holy God, hear our prayer.

For the people of our companion diocese of Kajo Keji in the South Sudan, that God may strengthen, comfort, and hold them in safekeeping during this time of trial. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that we who are God's beloved community, may serve those in need around us and not be controlled by the expectations and demands of society. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For peace throughout the world, that conflicts will end, injustices and jealousies be addressed, and that all nations may use their resources to defeat disease and hunger. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For those who take risks for peace, that God will give them courage to make bold decisions and explore new possibilities, that all God's people will come to know the blessings of a world without war and conflict. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For those of different religious traditions and understanding of the Scriptures, that they may recognize the God who is at work in every heart and experience renewal of their relationships with others and new ways to cooperate. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For all who those who are weary in body, mind, and spirit, remembering especially Jordan, Frank, Elaine, Lynn, Mary Jane, Robin, Heather, Chase, Dave, Philomena, Kyle, John, Diane, Jeanette, Anne, Rick, Amy, Mario, David, Canon Bill+, Charles, Todd, Joseph, Scott, Bill, Joann, Karen, Rylee, Ricky, Don, Margaret, Marty, Anne, and Gail, that they may find wholeness and peace in Christ. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

For all the departed, remembering especially Luke, Francis, and Arch, that they may live for eternity in the power of the Spirit. *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer, Blessed Luke, Peter and Paul, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.
To you, O Lord our God.

Celebrant God of wisdom, hear the prayers we offer this day. Enrich our lives with the gifts of your Spirit, that we may follow the way of Christ, and serve one another in freedom through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Priest offers the comfortable words.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

***OFFERTORY HYMN #500 Creator Spirit, by whose aid**

Surrey

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, *Eucharistic Prayer A*

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SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

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THE GREAT AMEN

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THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Traditional)*

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

We welcome all baptized persons, regardless of age or denomination to receive communion at Saint Luke's. The Celebrant will place the consecrated host in your hand; a Eucharistic minister will then offer you the common cup. You may receive the wine, intinct (dip the bread in the wine), or the Eucharistic minister can intinct for you. If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing. To show that you wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest.

***ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION #458 My song is love unknown** *Love Unknown*

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from receiving Holy Communion.

MY JESUS, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. *Amen.*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

***THE FINAL HYMN #655 O, Jesus, I have promised**

Nyland

DISMISSAL

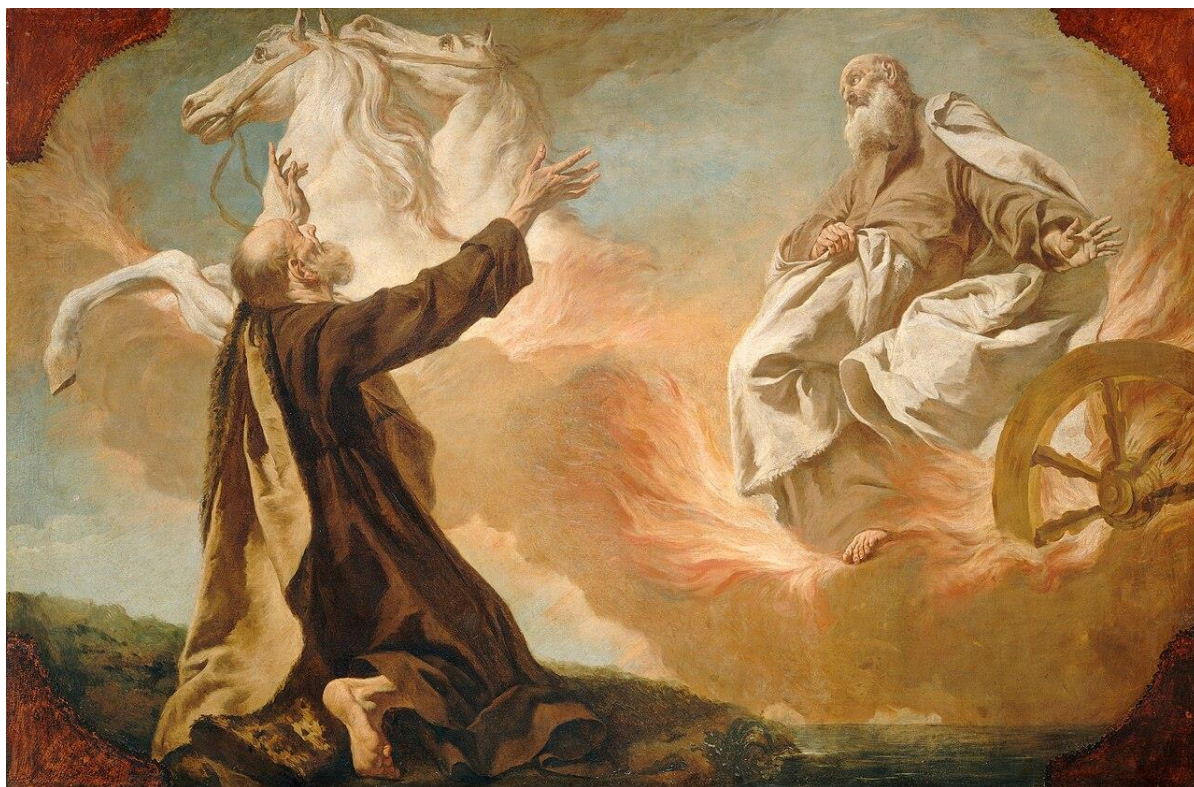
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***POSTLUDE** **Voluntary**

PRAYER AFTER THE SERVICE

Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Candle beside the Aumbry in which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved has been given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Grace Rakauskas by Mario and Lucetta Savinelli.



Elijah Taken Up in a Chariot of Fire by Giuseppe Angeli, c. 1740

SPECIAL MINISTERS:

Saturday, 5:00pm: Altar Guild – L.Savinelli, M. Savinelli; Ushers – L.Savinelli, M. Savinelli; Crucifer/Acolyte – D. Kraus; Lectors – K. DeSanto; Intercessor – K. DeSanto; Chalice Bearer – D. Kraus

Sunday, 11:00am: Altar Guild – D. Kraus, D. Lewis; Ushers – TBD, TBD; Crucifer and Acolyte – A. Guthrie; Lectors – D. Wegner, B. Ott; Intercessor – E. Rayburn; Chalice Bearer – S. Sollami



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Parking Passes Available – As a worshipper at St. Luke’s, you are welcome to make use of the church parking lot when you are visiting downtown Scranton. Please pick up a parking pass at the back of the nave to display in your windshield.

Molly’s Little Free Pantry Collection – A Girl Scout’s Bronze Award project, Molly’s Little Free Pantry is located by the helipad at Nay Aug Park runs on the concept of “Give if you can, take if you need.” Throughout June and July, St. Luke's will be collecting items to be distributed specifically to Molly's Little Free Pantry. For more information, please see the flyers at the back of the nave or the shopping cart drop-off point in Kreidler Hall. If you have any questions, email Sharon Sollami at sharonsollami@gmail.com.

Memorial Bricks for the Memorial Garden Fundraiser – From Pentecost through the summer St. Luke's is offering the opportunity to donate a brick of remembrance or thanksgiving to be incorporated into our Memorial Garden pathway. Use the QR code to place an order online or pick up an order brochure in the back of the nave. If you have any questions, please see Diane Kraus or email her at dianekraus07@gmail.com.



Safety Net Grocery Collection – Our summer collection for Safety Net begins with the shopping bags hung at the end of each pew. Please take one home to help replenish Safety Net's emergency food resources for those with urgent needs. Return your filled bag to the back of the nave before the end of August.

Back-to-School Supplies Collection - St. Luke's is partnering again this summer with Friends of the Poor to collect back to school supplies for our friends and neighbors. Of special need are clear backpacks, clear water bottles and clear lunch boxes, along with folders, binders, pencils and crayons. Helpful hint: In August, much of the needed supplies go on sale at Walmart and in July there are special sales during Amazon's Prime Days; either might help to stretch your donation dollars. There is a barrel in the back of the parish to receive your gifts. If you have any questions, please email Sharon Sollami at sharonsollami@gmail.com.

Diocesan Convention Childcare Volunteers – The Diocese is looking for volunteers willing to assist with children and youth during the Diocesan Convention October 17-18 here in Scranton. Safe Church requirements will need to be fulfilled beforehand. If you would like to volunteer, please see Father Parry.

Sunday School Volunteer Opportunity – As we express our gratitude to Rick Ammenhauser for 15 years of service in our Sunday School, we are now also seeking a Sunday School volunteer to assist Ken Wrazien with our young parishioners. Please see Father Parry, Rick, Ken, or another member of the Vestry if you feel called to this ministry. Safe Church requirements must be fulfilled.

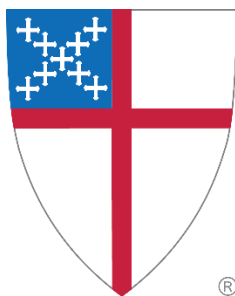


YouTube Channel

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Said Holy Eucharist Saturdays 5:00pm

Followed by Coffee Hour in Kreidler Hall the first Saturday of the month.

Sung Holy Eucharist Sundays 11:00am

Followed by Coffee Hour in Kreidler Hall every Sunday.

The First Sunday of each month we offer a "Family Eucharist" with special participation by our youth. All other Sundays, Sunday School is offered for younger children at 9:30am.

Said Holy Eucharist Wednesdays 12:10pm

with prayers and anointing for healing

The Reverend Doctor Tyler J. Parry, Priest-in-Charge

Maria Zengion, Organist and Choirmaster

The Vestry

Mickey Baccoli, (Senior Warden), Rick Ammenhauser (Junior Warden), Thomas Hoppel (Treasurer),
Diane Kraus (Clerk), Kim DeSanto, and Anne Cianfichi

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