

MARCH 08, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer vv 1,2 ELW 618

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer



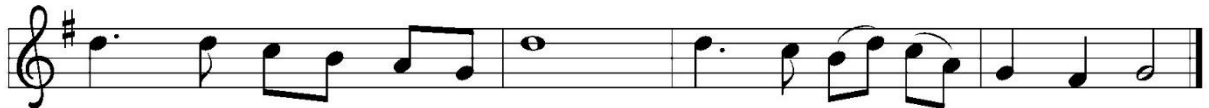
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



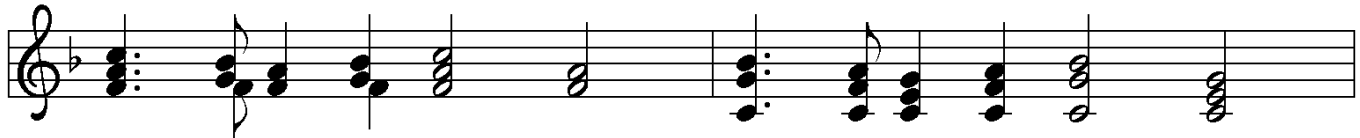
feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

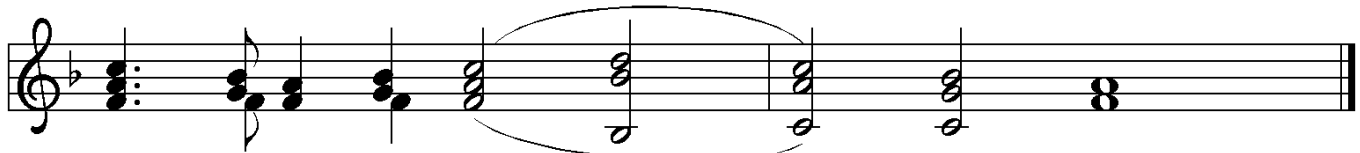
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

Lord, Have Mercy



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
1, 3 *Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.*
2 *Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.*



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
Chris - te e - le - i - son.
Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE

For jealousies that divide families and nations,
and for rivalries that create strife and warfare:

For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ,
and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

SONG OF PRAISE

Let Us Enter In



1 Let us en-ter in to the song of thanks - giv - ing and free - dom.
2 Let us en-ter in to the place where our God has pre - ced - ed.
3 Let us en-ter in to the heart of a world that is bro - ken.



Let us en-ter in to the long line of peo - ple in need.
Let us en-ter in to the face of the fear and the pain.
Let us en-ter in to the start of a hope we can share.



Let us en-ter in to the strong mind that God is still liv - ing.
Let us en-ter in to the grace of the love when it's need - ed.
Let us en-ter in to the part where we call one an - oth - er



Heal - ing, for - giv - ing— Let us en - ter in.
Death is de - feat - ed! Let us en - ter in.
sis - ter and broth - er. Let us en - ter in.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, We, like Peter, often turn our backs on you. Forgive us and show us a new way to live, walking boldly and passionately toward you. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S BIBLE STORY

FIRST READING Psalm 17:1-7

¹ Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry;
give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

² **From you let my vindication come;
let your eyes see the right.**

³ If you try my heart, if you visit me by night,
if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me;
my mouth does not transgress.

⁴ **As for what others do, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

⁵ My steps have held fast to your paths;
my feet have not slipped.

⁶ **I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me; hear my words.**

⁷ Wondrously show your steadfast love,
O savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.

Acclamation

The assembly stands.

Come, Holy Spirit, Descend

*Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, de - scend on us, de -
scend on us. We gath - er here in Je - sus'
name. (hm)

The image shows a three-system musical score for the hymn "Come, Holy Spirit, Descend". Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The first system contains the lyrics "*Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, de - scend on us, de -". The second system contains "scend on us. We gath - er here in Je - sus'". The third system contains "name. (hm)". The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines, with some notes marked with a circled 'sm' (sustained) and a circled 'hm' (half note).

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 18th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: John 18:12-27

¹² So the soldiers, their officer, and the Jewish police arrested Jesus and bound him. ¹³ First they took him to Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. ¹⁴ Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jews that it was better to have one person die for the people.

¹⁵ Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, ¹⁶ but Peter was standing outside at the gate. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out, spoke to the woman who guarded the gate, and brought Peter in. ¹⁷ The woman said to Peter, "You are not also one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." ¹⁸ Now the slaves and the police had made a charcoal fire because it was cold, and they were standing around it and warming themselves. Peter also was standing with them and warming himself.

¹⁹ Then the high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his

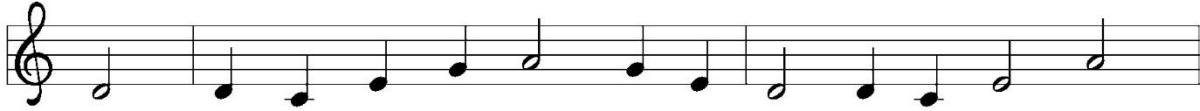
teaching. ²⁰ Jesus answered, “I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. ²¹ Why do you ask me? Ask those who heard what I said to them; they know what I said.” ²² When he had said this, one of the police standing nearby struck Jesus on the face, saying, “Is that how you answer the high priest?” ²³ Jesus answered, “If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong. But if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?” ²⁴ Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

²⁵ Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. They asked him, “You are not also one of his disciples, are you?” He denied it and said, “I am not.” ²⁶ One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, “Did I not see you in the garden with him?” ²⁷ Again Peter denied it, and at that moment the cock crowed.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Guest Preacher Dan Carlson (Living Water Ministries)

What Wondrous Love Is This



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this
 I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when I was sink - ing down
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; to God and to the Lamb,
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free,



that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse for my
 be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my
 who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
 I'll sing God's love for me, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Text: North American folk hymn, 19th cent., alt.

Music: WONDROUS LOVE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
 God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come
 to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition the congregation responds: L: Merciful God, **C: receive our prayer.**

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

To You All Hearts Are Open

The musical notation is written on a single treble clef staff. It begins with a repeat sign. The lyrics are: "To you all hearts are o - pen, to you all de - sires known. To you there are no se - crets, al - might - y God; we come to you." The final measure of the piece is marked "Last time" and ends with a double bar line.

Repeat *To You All Hearts Are Open*

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
 And also with you.

Offertory Song

As a Mother Comforts Her Child



As a moth-er com-forts her child, so God will com - fort you.



As a hen gath-ers her brood, so Christ will gath - er you.



As a wise one coun-sels her friend, so the Spir-it will coun-sel you.



The Trin - i - ty of love will be with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation.
You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth
and bring forth its bounty.
Through these gifts of bread and wine,
draw us into the death and life of your Son,
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All who desire the Lord's Supper are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Following the usher's invitation, come forward along the side aisle and remain standing as you gather around the altar railing. When everyone has gathered at the railing, you may kneel or remain standing. Receive the wafer of bread in your hands. You may also request a gluten-free wafer. Then take a small cup from the tray: white grape juice is in the center and red wine is around the edge. Deposit your cup in the basket when you are finished and return to your seat down the center aisle. We invite children and those not receiving the bread and wine to come forward to receive a blessing at the altar railing.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION

Sing verse 1 and 4

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



- 1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in Je - sus' name
- 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the bur - dened free;
- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter joy like seed
- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel to pro - claim.



to bring glad tid - ings to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.
and, all our days, to cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
God's Spir - it has em - pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of our salvation,
we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls,
reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.
Through the body and blood of your Son,
may we become Christ's body in the world,
bearing witness to your love for all creation,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

Leader
C G C F C

God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun - sels guide, up - hold you,

G C C F G C

with a shep - herd's care en - fold you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Congregation
C F C G

Till we meet, _____ till we meet, _____ till we meet at Je - sus' _____ feet;

C F C G C

Till we meet, _____ till we meet, _____ God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.


Thanks be to God.

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Talking with Jesus

Healing Service with Anointing

7:00 PM

LENT WEDNESDAYS

Talking with Jesus...

- FEB 25 - in times of trial
- MAR 04 - in times of confusion
- MAR 11 - in times of dryness
- MAR 18 - in times of upset

All **9th-12th graders** and their families are invited to the **Vocation Milestone Class this morning** during Sunday School at 10:15 am.

Get to know more about the ministry of Prince of Peace at our **Welcome Q&A meeting today March 08 @ 11:15 AM** in the High School Room. Pastor Aaron will talk about what it means to be Lutheran, God's ministry at PoP and answering questions. No RSVP's required, everyone is welcome.

We are looking for individuals interested in **being a part of the media team**. The media team will **oversee running the slides and Facebook live** during Sunday church service. Anyone interested please see Elizabeth Roose or Pastor Aaron.

There are suggestions in the narthex for **items** being **collected** to send to our **students** that are attending college or trade school. Please bring donations by March 22.

Candy is needed by March 22 too, to fill the eggs **for** the kiddo's **Easter Egg Hunt** on Palm Sunday.

Kim Cramer would like to thank everyone who helped make it another successful Dartball Banquet. All the ladies that brought desserts and others who helped make food, serve and clean up: Laurie Sherman, Dawn and Will Pluff, Mindy Stadler, Robin Opfermann, Amelia Gautz, Jayden Cramer and Joy Fox.

Dear PoP Family, Thank you so much for the beautiful sympathy cards, prayers and kind words after my mom's passing. Your love & support have meant more to me and my family than we can truly express. During this difficult time, your encouragement has brought us comfort & peace. We are grateful to be part of such a caring and faithful church family. With love & gratitude, The Opfermanns

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS

It's time to **designate** your "**Choice Dollars**." As a non-profit company, Thrivent distributes funds annually to charities of its members' choice. There is no cost to members and it's easy to do! The designation can be completed online, by calling your Thrivent representative, or by calling the main office, 1-800-847-4836. The **deadline** for the 2025 designation is **March 31, 2026**. **Prince of Peace** is one of the many **approved Thrivent charities**.

Journey to the Cross will be presented on Good Friday, April 3. Contact Kim Jennings or Paul Marks, either in person or by email, at kimjennings00@gmail.com or marksp@msu.edu if you would like to be involved.

We need volunteers for the following:

- Construction/Set Up on Saturday, March 28 - start time between 8-9am until complete
- Take down/storage on Saturday, April 4 - start time between 8-9am until complete
- Actors for non-speaking roles (men especially!)
- Meal donations for crews and actors
- Putting up posters, sharing business cards and spreading the word!

Our presentation is given to the community at no cost to the attendees due to the generous donations of our congregation. Donations of any dollar amount make this event happen. Envelopes are in the pew racks. Posters and business cards are available in the narthex for distribution to businesses, workplaces, family, friends and neighbors. Please help promote our 22nd Journey to the Cross.

Journey to the Cross necklaces & bags will be **assembled** during coffee hour on **March 15th & 22nd**.

Food is needed to **feed** the **cast & crew** of Journey to the Cross on Good Friday, April 03. We need 10-12 of each - **salads, sides and desserts**.

Mon-Arc of Monroe County

We were established in 1962 as a grassroots organization to advocate for the human rights of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. We promote community participation by ensuring all people have fundamental moral, civil, and constitutional rights and opportunities to live, learn, work, play, and worship in their chosen communities.

Mon-Arc continues to successfully provide free:

- Advocacy/Educational support
- Social and Recreational opportunities
- Provide Informational meetings to empower families and educate the community.
- Social Security Representative Payee services (fee)

EASTER PLANT ORDER FORM

in Memory of

in Honor of

By:

_____ Daffodils \$10.00 each = \$ _____

_____ Hyacinths \$10.00 each = \$ _____

_____ Lily \$11.00 each = \$ _____

_____ Tulip \$10.00 each = \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Deadline to place orders is Sunday, March 22.

Yes! My plants(s), excluding lilies, may be used on Good Friday in the Garden scene. The plant(s) will be returned to the Sanctuary by Easter Sunday, where I will pick my plant(s) up.

Serving our congregation this morning:

Acolytes – Elijah Werner

Altar Guild – Aimee Prati, Jennifer Hemry, Kim Kibat

Fellowship Hour – Mindy Stadler and Grace Lampkowski

Liturgical Minister – Kristi Johnson

Media – Kelsey Creguer

Organist – Ray Smith

Ushers – Andy Clark, Head Usher; Ann, Shane & Seth Clark

Schedule:

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

Fellowship Hour – 10 AM

Sunday School– 10:15 AM

9-12th Grade Milestone Class – 10:15 AM

New Member Q&A – 11:15 AM

Tuesday: Bible Study – 9:00 AM

Alcohol Anonymous - 7:00 PM

Wednesday: God Works Soup Kitchen

Lenten Service –7:00 PM

Thursday: Pickleball – 6:00 PM

**Today is Name Tag Sunday.
Fill one out in the Narthex & put it on!**

Coming Soon:

Wed Mar 18 – Newsletter deadline

Wed Mar 18 – Lenten Healing Service – 7 PM

Sun Mar 22 – New Member Blessing

Wed Mar 25 – Seder Dinner Church – 6 PM

Sun Mar 29 – Palm Sunday

Sun Mar 29 – Easter Egg Hunt

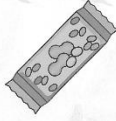
Sun Mar 29 – Youth Outing to Escape Room

You may direct deposit or scan to donate an offering:





STUDENT



CARE BOXES

Let's show our college and trade school kids how much we care about them!

DONATION COLLECTION STARTS MARCH 1ST
BOXES PACKED MARCH 22ND

MILESTONES

Faith + Family 

1 Corinthians 12:7

"The Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others."



Parents, Grandparents,
Godparents and anyone
wanting to cultivate faith
come along and attend
with their young people.

Grades 9-12
Service - Vocation Milestone
SUN MARCH 8 @ 10:15AM

ST. GABRIEL PARISH'S 2026 LENTEN

FISH FRY



ST. JOSEPH HALL
8295 VAN AIKEN ST
IDA, MI 48140

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 27
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT!
*NO FISH FRY ON GOOD FRIDAY

50/50 DRAWING EVERY 30 MINUTES!

INSIDE DINING	DRIVE THRU
\$25 ALL YOU CARE TO EAT FISH AND SHRIMP	\$30 ALL FISH OR ALL SHRIMP *no sides*
\$15 SMALL MEAL	\$20 LARGE MEAL
\$8 GRILLED CHEESE	\$15 SMALL MEAL
	\$8 GRILLED CHEESE

MEAL INCLUDES: FISH, SHRIMP, SCALLOPED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, COLESLAW, ROLL, DESSERT, BEVERAGE
-CASH AND CREDIT ACCEPTED (VISA & MASTERCARD ONLY)-

St. John Lutheran Church
460 Riley St., Dundee

Drive-thru order and pick up

Fish Fry

Adults \$14.00

Kids \$8.00



fish
french fries
coleslaw
mac & cheese
roll
dessert

Friday
Feb. 20 - March 27

5:00 - 7:00

Info...734 529 3218

IHM Chapel Concert Series presents

Chamber Ensemble

Featuring

Award winning high school instrumental chamber ensembles from Dundee, Erie Mason, Meadow Montessori and professional violinists Edwin Olson and Alyssa McNally.

Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 3 p.m.

IHM Motherhouse Chapel
610 W Elm Ave, Monroe, MI 48612

This chapel concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be available to support performers and the IHM Chapel Concert series.




Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY

Winter/Spring Schedule:
Every Thursday starting January 8th in the gym
Closed April 2

6:00-8:00 PM

1920 Lewis Ave.
Ida, MI 48140

\$3 per person/\$10 family
ages 10-15 must attend with a supervising adult

For More Information
princeofpeaceida.org

Spaghetti Supper Benefit

Sunday, March 8, 2026

4:00 pm to 6:30 pm

East Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church Hall

6272 West Albain Rd, Monroe, MI

(halfway between Lewis Ave and Strasburg Rd)

**All-You-Can-Eat spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread,
dessert, and beverages**

Adults \$10

Children 6-12 yrs. \$5

Children age 5 & under free

Dine in or carry-outs available also.

Brian Hollingsworth has battled with rheumatoid arthritis for years but has recently discovered that the RA has attacked his lungs and heart, causing damage that doctors thought they could improve. Brian then suffered from pneumonia and a cryptococcus infection in his lungs. His doctors have now determined that the damage to his lungs and heart is irreparable, and he needs a lung transplant and a heart transplant. Brian is no longer able to work and has amassed a mountain of medical debt between the hospital at University of Michigan and his specialists in Grand Rapids (along with travel costs and missed work). After 4 months, doctors have cleared Brian to go home while he waits for his transplants.

Please pray for Brian's strength, peace for the family, wisdom and steady hands guiding his medical team, and the donor family, who will one day make a heartbreaking decision amid their own grief so Brian can keep fighting to stay with his own loved ones.

The family would like to thank you for your support!

Friends in Faith
Ecumenical
Lenten Breakfast

March 19th

9:00 a.m.

West Ida Immanuel
Lutheran Church
3879 Jackman Road
Ida, Michigan



Sunrise House Speaker

Free Breakfast provided by members of West
Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church

Program by The Rev. Elizabeth Friedman,
U of M Campus Pastor, Lord of Light Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor
Theme: Campus Ministry and Faith Formation
with Young Adults

Free-Will Offering for Sunrise House

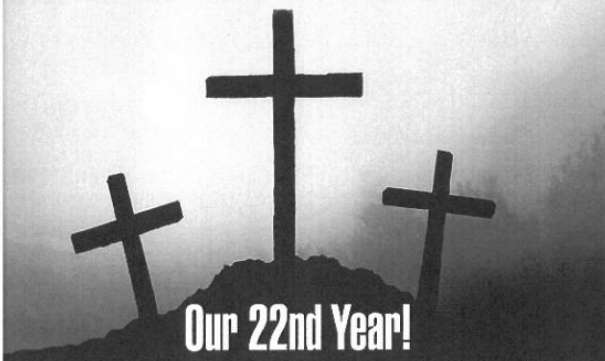
Sunrise House is a domestic violence emergency shelter
operated by Family Counseling and Shelter Services,
offering a safe haven, advocacy, and support services for
survivors of domestic violence and their families.

**RSVP to Kim
in the church office.**

**JOURNEY
to the CROSS**

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 3, 2026
No Charge All Ages Handicap Accessible

Guided Tours Every 15 Minutes
12 - 3 pm & 5 - 7 pm



Our 22nd Year!

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
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