

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 6, 2025 + 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

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PRAYER OF MEDITATION

*As the people gather before the service begins,
we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.*

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: Transform the poverty of our nature the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Penitential Order

HYMN "Praise to the living God" *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*



1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;



who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.



The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tionspeaks his praise,
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name



the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

—Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845–1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836–1926)
Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1985, alt.

ACCLAMATION *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People: God's mercy endures for ever.

SENTENCE FROM SCRIPTURE *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." (*Mark 12:29-31*)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
All kneel, as able. Silence is kept for a space.

All: 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.

Celebrant: 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.*

KYRIE ELEISON *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings responsively with the cantor.*

Cantor or Choir

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

All

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Cantor or Choir

Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

All

Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

Cantor or Choir

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

All

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

—Setting: McNeil Robinson (1943–2015)

The Liturgy of the Word

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FIRST LESSON *Seated.*

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (43:16–21).

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: “Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 126 *Everyone sings.*



—Setting: Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945);
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- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- ‡ 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND LESSON

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (3:4b–14).

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN “When I survey the wondrous cross” *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

—Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748)

Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, 1780

GOSPEL *Remain standing.*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (12:1–8).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Children may join Laura Airhart & Michelle Smith for Children's Chapel.
They will return at the Peace.*

SERMON

A time for silent reflection follows the sermon.

NICENE CREED *Standing, all who are 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Remain standing.*

Leader: As we journey these forty days of Lent, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “O Lord, you have done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.”

For your Church throughout the world, that its members may be bound together in your love and share your reconciling Word with all people. O Lord, you you have done great things for us,

People: And we are glad indeed.

Leader: For this nation and those with the responsibility of leadership, that they may be guided by the Christ of justice, mercy, and humility. O Lord, you you have done great things for us,

People: And we are glad indeed.

Leader: For the whole human family, that all might know the comfort of enough and be led by the Spirit in unity and peace. O Lord, you you have done great things for us,

People: And we are glad indeed.

Leader: For all for whom Knoxville is home, and especially for this community of Good Samaritan. We pray for those who are celebrating birthdays. May their faith be strengthened and your will for them made clear. O Lord, Lord, you you have done great things for us,

People: And we are glad indeed.

Leader: For all whose lives are devastated by poverty, injustice, instability, disease, or disaster, and for all those facing adversity; for those in the military, especially those who have been deployed; for the wider community of our families and friends; for our parishioners whom we now name, those we hold in our hearts, and those whose needs are known to you alone; that they may experience your comfort and healing. We pray for...

ED Archer

CHIP Beets

PEGGY Bradley

DAVID & NANCY Cazalet

GAIL Cox

RON Dearolf

DANA & DEWELL Downey

ED & VI Einstein

DOUG Embler

BEVERLY Guiler

ED Hochnedel

BONNIE Honaker

MARGE Hudson

IRA Lewis

FRANCIS Lloyd

ELLEN Lo-Curto-Martinez

ANN McClain

DON McConnell

TOM McConnell

NATALIE McNutt

MARCELLUS Mitchell

DALE Oakley

PAT Pagni

KENT Parish

BELLE Parman

ALLAN Philp

MARILYN Randall

JANE Reed

RARA Schlitt

THE STAPLETON FAMILY

DENISE Tibedo

SAM & MARY ANN Venable

IDALEE Vogel-Jackson

SUE Wager

and

ALICE & FRED Wegmann

Leader: O Lord, you you have done great things for us,

People: And we are glad indeed.

Leader: For all those who have died, that they may rest in your eternal kingdom. O Lord, you you have done great things for us,

People: And we are glad indeed.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. (*2 Corinthians 9:7*)

ANTHEM *Sung by the Choir.*

Create In Me A Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God;
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from thy presence;
and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of my salvation
and uphold me with thy free Spirit.
Then will I teach transgressors thy ways;
and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
Create in me a clean heart, O God.

—Words: Psalm 51:10–13

Music: Carl. F Mueller (1892–1982)

HYMN “Bread of the world” *Standing; everyone sings.*

Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the
soul, in mer - cy shed, by whom the words of life were
spo - ken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sor - row bro - ken, look on the
tears by sin - ners shed; and be thy feast to us the
to - ken that by thy grace our souls are fed.

—Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826)

Music: *Rendez a Dieu*, melody attr. Louis Bourgeois (1510–1561)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

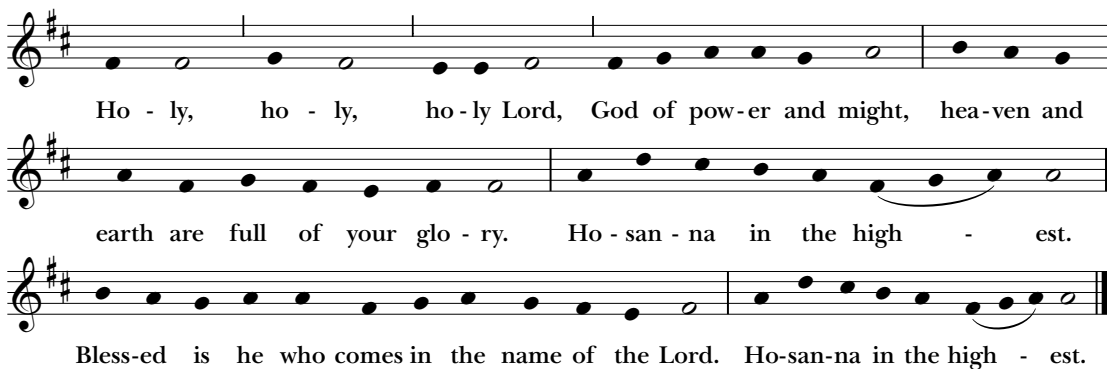
People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Everyone sings:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

—Setting: From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950)

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant: On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant: Lord God of our forebears: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob and Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

All: AMEN.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. Everyone sings:

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

—Setting: From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd

INVITATION

Celebrant: This is the table not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom our Savior identified. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which our Lord became incarnate. This is the table of Jesus Christ. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a while or ever before; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. It is Christ who invites you to be known and loved and fed here.

DURING COMMUNION

ANTHEM *Sung by the Choir.*

Know That God Loves You

Know that God loves you.

God's Command is this: "Love one another as I have loved you."

For neither death nor life, nor present nor future,
shall separate us from the love of God.

—Words: Adapted from Psalm 37 and Romans 8
Music: Carson P. Cooman (b. 1982), op. 924

HYMN “Day by day” *Everyone sings.*

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

to see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff shows the vocal line with some slurs and ties. The bass staff continues with the accompaniment.

fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.

The third system of musical notation concludes the hymn. The treble staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The bass staff also concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

—Words: Att. Richard of Chichester (1197–1253)
Music: *Sumner*, Arthur Henry Biggs (1906–1954)

HYMN “For everyone born” *Everyone sings.*



1. For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble, for ev - ery - one born, clean
 2. For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble, re - vis - ing the roles, de -
 3. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble, a voice to be heard, a
 4. For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble, to live with - out fear, and



wa - ter and bread, a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 cid - ing the share, with wis - dom and grace di - vid - ing the pow - er,
 part in the song, the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 sim - ply to be, to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head.
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair.
 for young and for old, the right to be - long.
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free.



And God will de - light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and joy, com -



pas - sion and peace: yes, God will de - light when we are cre -



a - tors of jus - tice, jus - tice and joy.

—Words: Shirley Erena Murray (b. 1931)
 Music: *For Everyone Born*, Brian Mann (b. 1979)
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DOXOLOGY *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

God, all creatures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff melody includes some eighth-note patterns. The bass staff accompaniment remains consistent with the first system.

heaven - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The third system of music concludes the doxology. The treble staff melody ends with a final cadence. The bass staff accompaniment also concludes with a final chord.

—Words: Thomas Ken, (1637–1711)

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND MISSION *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE *Remain standing.*

This ancient form of blessing is given during Lent:

Celebrant: Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with always. *Amen.*

HYMN “Lord, whose love through humble service” *Everyone sings.*



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der homeless; still the hun - gry cry for
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we



need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing



per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,



not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - cra - ting
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,



to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

—Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867), alt.

Music: *Dulce carmen*, melody from *An Essay on the Church Plain Chant*, 1782;
 adapt. *Collection of Motetts or Antiphons*, ca 1840

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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