



The Epiphany

of Our Savior Jesus Christ

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The Annunciation of Our Lady Episcopal Church
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Welcome to Annunciation

What's Happening

This bulletin contains everything you need to participate in the service. All are welcome to join in this celebration of praise and Holy Eucharist.

Home Communion

When you would like communion brought to your home, please email the church office or Pastor Jenni.

Healing Prayers

If you have a prayer request anytime during the week, you may call, message, or email the prayer minister. The prayer minister for this week is **John Anderson**, 847-244-3796

Online Worship

Thank you to Mike Robison for producing this morning's worship service.

To facilitate everyone being able to hear during the service, everyone will be muted except for the person speaking.

Please close all other applications on the device you are using. If you are having connection issues, try turning off the video. You will still be able to hear the service.

If your household has multiple devices going, mute the audio on all but one of them, it can cause feedback on the microphones if there are two or more devices broadcasting in the same room. Also, using headphones or earbuds can eliminate problems with active audio

Streaming to Facebook Live

This morning we are streaming our service to the public page for

Annunciation on Facebook. If you weren't able to join us for our live service, the video will be available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/annunciationgurnee/live/>

You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the video.

The Sanctuary Candle is given in thanksgiving to God for the many blessings of our lives.

The Liturgy of the Word

Organ Prelude

Entrance Hymn

We three kings of Orient are, verses 1 and 2



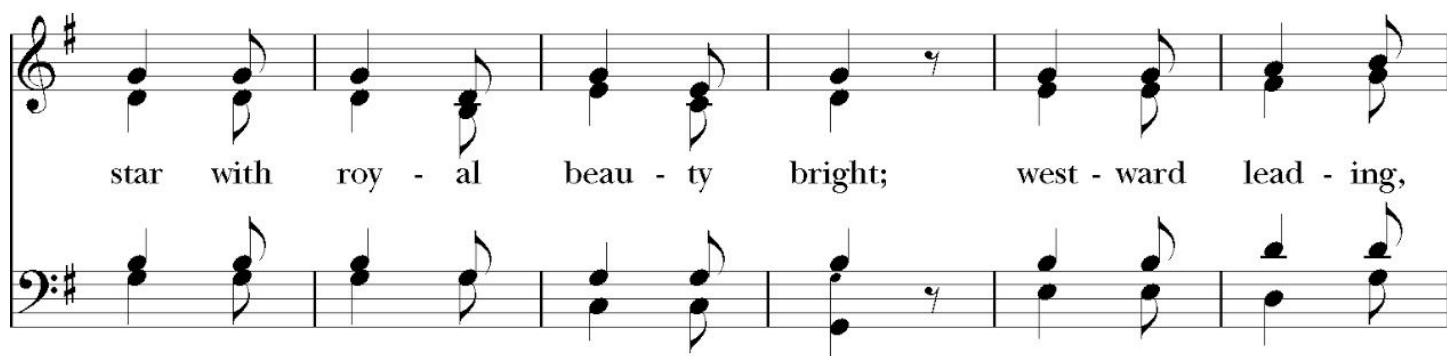
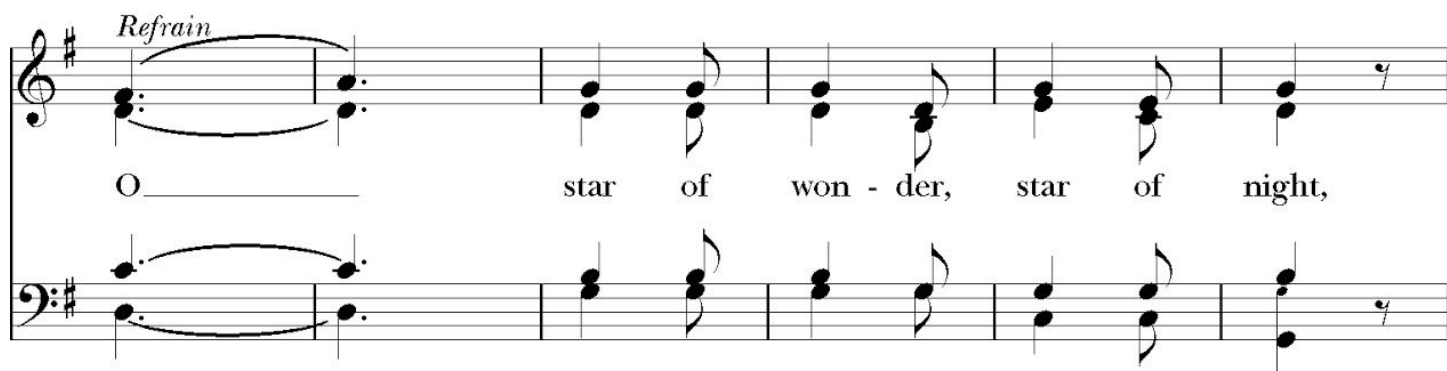
1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing
2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: in - cense
4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



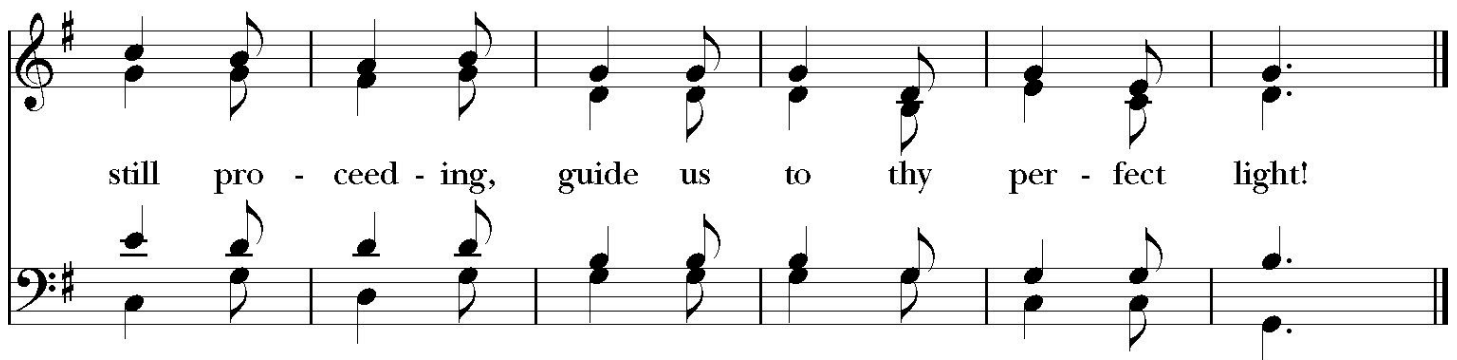
1 gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
2 bring to crown him a - gain, King for ev - er,
3 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
4 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
5 God and Sac - ri - fice; heaven sings al - le -



1 moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
2 ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
3 glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship him, God Most High.
4 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
5 lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.



star with roy - al beau - ty bright; west - ward lead - ing,



The stanzas may be sung by three soloists: 1 and 5 by the ensemble; 2-4 by individuals; and the refrain by all.

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891), alt. Music: *Three Kings of Orient*, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: In the beginning God created the light.
People: *Morning broke open on the first day.*
Celebrant: This God of ours sent the light.
People: *Jesus the Christ came to the world's people.*
Celebrant: Morning light opens for us.
People: *God's Light illumines our lives; and opens us to worship this day.*

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.
People: *Amen.*

Song of Praise

*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.*

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*
Celebrant: Let us pray.
 O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

The First Lesson

60:1-6

Reader: A reading from the prophet Isaiah.
Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

72:1-7,10-14

Reader: Let us respond to the psalm, saying
People: **Arise, shine, for our light has come!**

Give the King your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
That he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;
That the mountains may bring
prosperity to the people,
and the little hills bring righteousness.
Arise, shine, for our light has come!

He shall defend the needy
among the people;
he shall rescue the poor
and crush the oppressor.
He shall live as long
as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.
He shall come down like rain
upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.
Arise, shine, for our light has come!

In his time shall the righteous flourish;
there shall be abundance of peace
till the moon shall be no more.
The kings of Tarshish
and of the isles shall pay tribute,
and the kings of Arabia and Saba
offer gifts.
All kings shall bow down before him,
and all the nations do him service.
Arise, shine, for our light has come!

For he shall deliver the poor
who cries out in distress,
and the oppressed who has no helper.
He shall have pity on the lowly and poor;
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
He shall redeem their lives from
oppression and violence,
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
Arise, shine, for our light has come!

The Second Lesson

3:1-12

Reader: A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.
This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles – for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace

that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Musical Gospel Acclamation

The Gospel

2:1-12

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Deacon: In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.*" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Jenni Liem

The Creed

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
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

*Leader: God's glory has been veiled in flesh. Our flesh has become a glorious epiphany.
Let us then present before the Lord of glory our gift of prayer for those who are
in need, saying:*

*People: **Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader: For all who walk in the darkness of violence and oppression, and for all who by
their life and preaching cast into that darkness the light of God's peace and
justice,
Let us pray to the Lord.*

*People: **Lord, hear our prayer.***

*Leader: For all who carry on the teaching of prophets and apostles, and for the full
communion in life and worship of those who receive God's word,
Let us pray to the Lord.*

*People: **Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: For all who have at their disposal this world's riches, and for all who call out to them,
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: For all who raise their eyes to the heavens looking for healing and deliverance, especially ***Rob Robison; Greg, Joe, Helene; Marsha; John; Cindy Hibbard; Garry; Ray; Cindy; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living and PADS.*** Let us pray to the Lord.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: For the rulers of the earth, and for every child that stands in need of their protection,
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: For those who celebrate birthdays this week, including ***Katie Gruber (1/10)*** and those who celebrate anniversaries,
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader: For all who through death have passed into the full epiphany of God's glory, especially ***Marian Hauschild (1/16/2017).*** Let us pray to the Lord.

People: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Celebrant: O God of stars and journeys, you lead us day by day to the joyful vision of your light. Move us by the power of your word that we too might open our gifts for others and so receive in our hearts the child of Bethlehem. So may you be praised and adored through the same Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, this day of your Epiphany, now and forever.

People: ***Amen.***

The Peace

Celebrant: My dear friends in Christ, the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Offertory

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due God's name; bring offerings and come into God's courts with praise and thanksgiving.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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.*

It is truly right to glorify you, O Lord, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosannah in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes

in the Name of the Lord

Hosannah in the highest!

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. You loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us,

yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

O God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

People:

We praise you, we bless you,

we give thanks to you,

and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity,

The Lord's Prayer

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

People: ***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.***

guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People: ***Amen!***

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: ***Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving.

Music for Communion

Spiritual Communion

The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion (p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing. (Borrowed from our friends in Christ at St. Peter's, Chicago and *The St. Augustine's Prayer Book*)

People: ***Gracious God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are present in the Bread and Wine of the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now***

receive you in the Sacrament, I ask you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: *God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life
and the cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life
of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Welcome & Announcements

Blessing

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth.

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: *Amen.*

Closing Hymn

Earth has many a noble city, verses 1 and 2

1 Earth has man - ya no - ble ci - ty; Beth-lehem, thou dost all ex - cel:
 2 Fair - er than the sun at morn - ing was the star that told his birth,
 3 East - ern sa - ges at his cra - dle make ob - la - tions rich and rare;
 4 Sa - cred gifts of mys - tic mean - ing: in - cense doth their God dis - close,
 5 Je - sus, whom the Gen-tiles wor-shipped at thy glad e - piph - a - ny,

1 out of thee the Lord from hea - ven came to rule his Is - ra - el.
 2 to the world its God an - nounc-ing seen in flesh - ly form on earth.
 3 see them give, in deep de - vo - tion, gold and frank - in - cense and myrrh.
 4 gold the King of kings pro - claim-eth, myrrh his sep - ul - cher fore-shows.
 5 un - to thee, with God the Fa - ther and the Spi - rit, glo - ry be.

Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410?); tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt. Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. K. D. Smith (b. 1928) Copyright © by permission of K.D. Smith. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
 People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Organ Postlude

9:00 Ministers

<i>1st Reader & Psalm</i>	Mark Johnson
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