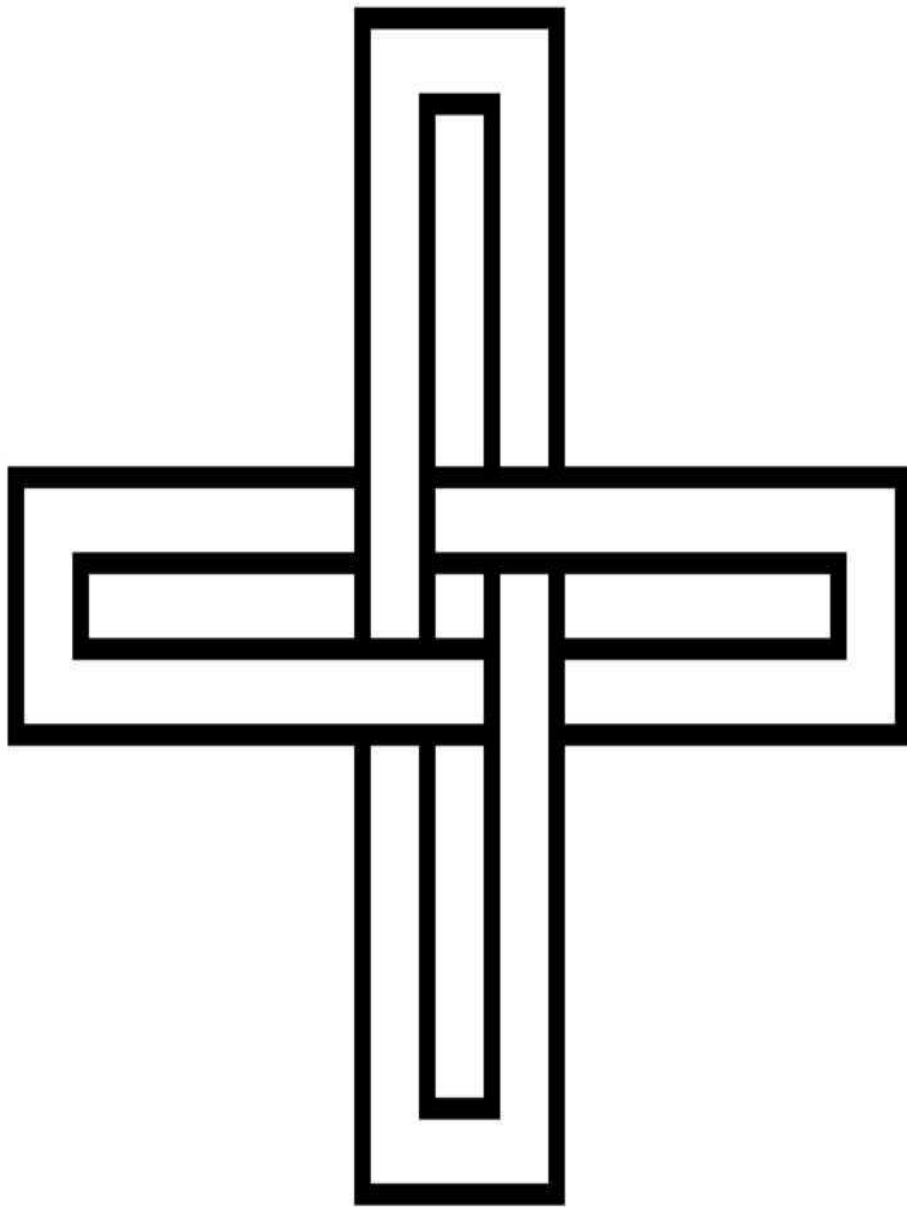


Welcome to
CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA
YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME



The 19th Sunday after Pentecost

9.30am

19 October 2025

Setting: Christ Church Service – Philip Matthias

CHRIST CHURCH ST KILDA: YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME.

We gather to worship God and explore faith in Jesus, welcoming and celebrating the diverse St Kilda community.

In the next three to five years we aim:

- to grow an energetic and committed worshipping community.
- to provide an open, inclusive and welcoming space for everyone.
- to communicate a vibrant, joyful and loving faith.
- to build connections with the local community.
- to be faithful stewards of Church Square and its buildings.

*Christ Church St Kilda Parish acknowledges the
Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan of the Boon Wurrung with deep respect.
We give thanks to God for their Elders, both past and present,
and their continuing relationship to this land.*

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

9.30am Thursday – Morning Prayer
Please note there will be no Morning Prayer
Monday-Wednesday during October

Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off

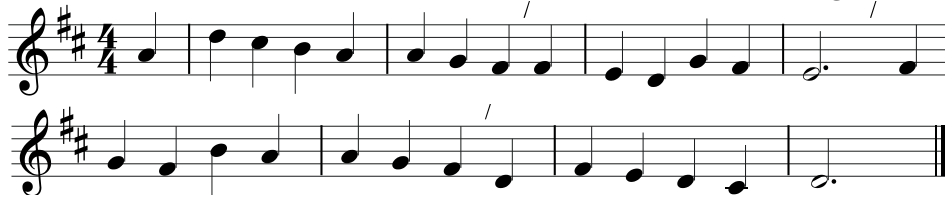
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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

All stand when the entrance bell is rung



**My God, accept my heart this day,
and make it still your own,
that I from you no more may stray,
but follow you alone.**

**Before the cross of him who died
in penitence I fall;
let every sin be crucified,
and Christ be Lord of all.**

**Anoint me with your heavenly grace,
and seal me for your own,
that I may see your glorious face,
and worship near your throne.**

**Let every thought and work and word
to you be ever given;
then life shall be your service, Lord,
and death the gate of heaven.**

Matthew Bridges 1800–94 *alt.*
Tune: St Peter. TiS 485

In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The celebrant introduces the service

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and
from whom no secrets are hidden: 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.**

Organ

Lord, have _ mer - cy,

Lord, have _ mer - cy, *mp* Lord, have _ mer - cy.

Christ, have _ mer - cy, Christ, have _ mer - cy,

Christ, have _ mer - cy. *mf* Lord, have _ mer - cy,

accresc. Lord, have _ mer - cy, *mp* Lord, have _ mer - cy.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Organ

f Glo - ry to God in the

high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth, *mf* Lord God,

heav'n - ly King, al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther, we

cresc.
 wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
cresc.
 glo - ry. *mp* Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
 take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us: you are
 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: *p* re -
f
 - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One:
cresc.
 you a-lone are the Lord: you a-lone are the
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
ff
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah

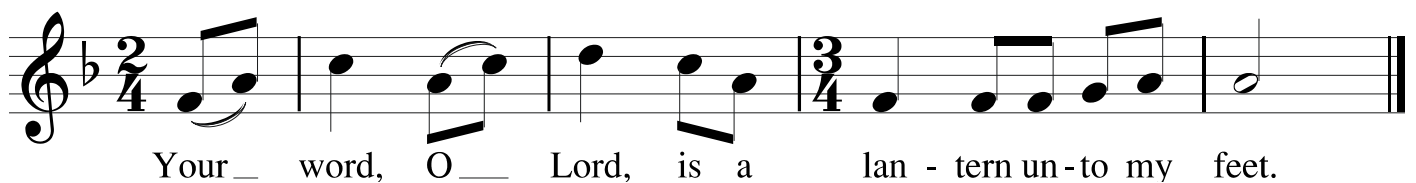
31.27-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of the one who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt--a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 119

Response:



Blessed are those whose way is blameless: who walk in the law of the Lord! Blessed are those who keep his testimonies: who seek him with their whole heart. ***Response***

Your word, O Lord, is a lantern unto my feet: and a light unto my path. I have made a vow and am steadfastly purposed: to keep your righteous judgments. ***Response***

Accept, O Lord, the offerings of my lips: and teach me your precepts.
Deceivers have laid a snare for me: yet I have not erred from your
ways. **Response**

Your word is my inheritance for ever: and the very joy of my heart. I
have set my heart to fulfil your commandments:
even unto the end. **Response**

tr. from Psalms for Singers (RSCM) alt.

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A reading from the second letter to Timothy

3.14-4.5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

All stand. Repeat the response after the cantor, and then as indicated



Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Take my yoke upon you;
learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

18.1-8

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit

Sermon – Fr Ken Letts

All stand

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.**

All kneel or sit

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

After each prayer

...hear our prayer

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. **Grant that what
we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All stand

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The altar is prepared and a collection is taken as all sing:



**Your hand, O God, has guided
your flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written,
full clear, on every page;
your people owned your goodness,
and we their deeds record;
and both of this bear witness:
one church, one faith, one Lord.**

**Your heralds brought glad tidings
to greatest, as to least;
they bade them rise, and hasten
to share the great King's feast;
and this was all their teaching,
in every deed and word,
to all alike proclaiming
one church, one faith, one Lord.**

**Through many a day of darkness,
through many a scene of strife,
the faithful few fought bravely
to guard the nation's life.
Their gospel of redemption,
sin pardoned, earth restored,
was all in this enfolded:
one church, one faith, one Lord.**

**Your mercy will not fail us,
nor leave your work undone;
with your right hand to help us,
the victory shall be won;
and then by all creation,
your name shall be adored,
and this shall be our anthem:
one church, one faith, one Lord.**

Edward Hayes Plumptre 1821–91 *alt.*
Tune: Thornbury. TiS 456

The response to the Offertory Prayers is:
Blessed be God for ever.

THE 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.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... praising you and singing:

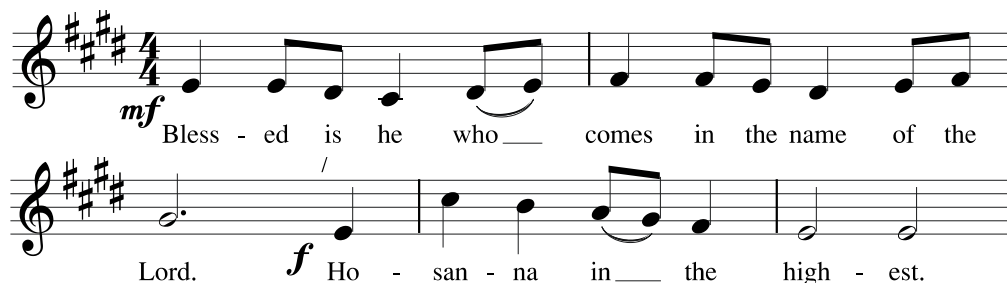
Organ

Ho - ly, Ho - ly,

Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,

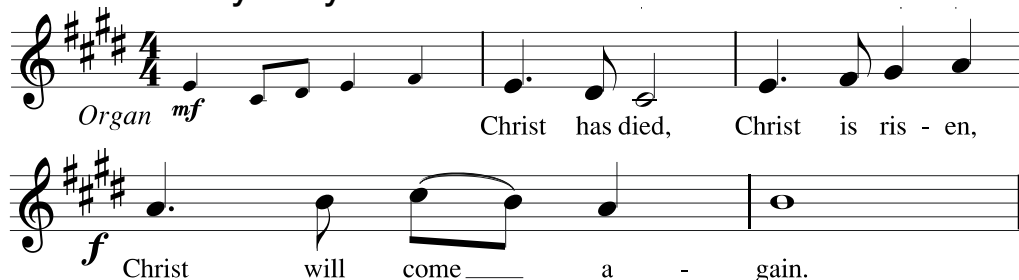
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

- san - na in the high - est.



The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



The Prayer of Thanksgiving continues.... never-ending praise:



As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION

We who are many are one body:
For we all share in the one bread.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff begins with the word 'Organ' and ends with a mezzo-piano (*mp*) dynamic marking. The lyrics are: 'Je - sus, __ Lamb of God, have'. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'mer - cy __ on us. Je - sus, __ bear - er of our __ sins, have'. The third staff continues with lyrics: 'mer - cy __ on us. Je - sus, re-deem - er of the __ world,'. The fourth staff concludes the phrase with lyrics: 'grant us your peace, *p* grant us __ your peace.' The piece ends with a double bar line.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Communicant members of any church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer a blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Communion is offered in both kinds. Please queue to receive the host (bread) first, and then the wine if you wish. All are welcome to receive the wine, but none must, as the sacrament is fully present in both species. PLEASE DO NOT INTINCT (DIP) THE HOST IN THE WINE as studies suggest this may be less hygienic than drinking from the common cup.

During communion, the cantor will sing

After communion all stand

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, give us courage for our pilgrimage, and bring us to the joys you promise, through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE



**The voice of God goes out to all the world;
his glory speaks across the universe.
The great King's herald cries from star to star:
'With power, with justice, he will walk his way.'**

**The Lord has said, 'Receive my messenger,
my promise to the world, my pledge made flesh,
a lamp to every nation, light from light':
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.**

**The broken reed he will not trample down,
nor set his heel upon the dying flame.
He binds the wounds, and health is in his hand:
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.**

**Anointed with the Spirit and with power,
he comes to crown with comfort all the weak,
to show the face of justice to the poor:
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.**

**His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held,
the lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing,
and prisoners laugh in light and liberty:
with power, with justice, he will walk his way.**

Luke Connaughton 1917–79
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Tune: St Lucia. TiS 282

Announcements are made

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

**Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

*All are welcome for Morning Tea in the Community Centre
following the service.*

NOTICES

OCTOBER ROSTER

Date	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Intercessions	Eucharistic Assistant	Offertory
19 th Oct	Geoffrey	Bob	Geoffrey	Valerie	Geoffrey
26 th Oct	Helen	Helen	Deba	Elisabeth	Gary

VICAR ON ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Craig will be away from the parish from 1-29 October inclusive. The locum will be Fr Ken, assisted by Fr Glenn. Please direct urgent pastoral matters to the locum clergy. For general parish matters, please contact the churchwardens on 0435152199.

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTORAL ROLL

This year's Annual Meeting will be on Sunday 16 November.

Notice is now given of the annual revision of the electoral roll, which will take place on Saturday 1 November. If you have not in the past filled out the necessary form to be on the electoral roll, you will need to do so in order to be able to participate and vote at the meeting. To be on the electoral roll you must:

- Be a layperson (i.e. not ordained);
- Be over eighteen years of age;
- Be baptised;
- Have regularly and habitually attended public worship at Christ Church;
- Be a member of the Anglican Church of Australia;
- Not be a member of another church or denomination;
- Not be on the electoral roll of another parish or congregation;
- Have completed and signed an application to be on the electoral roll.

The application form is available at the back of the church. You should complete the form and return it to the Parish Office either via email admin@christchurchstkilda.org.au or by hand to the vicar. Forms must be received before **11am on Saturday 1 November 2025**.

The Notice advertising the Annual Meeting has been posted on the church door, and nominations are now open for the offices of

Churchwarden (2), and membership of Parish Council (6), as well as membership of the Incumbency Committee (2). Nomination forms are available at the back of the church. Nb. you must be on the electoral roll to nominate for these positions.

ALL SOULS' COMMEMORATION

All Souls' Day this year falls on All Saints Sunday, so the two will be combined, with the commemoration of All Souls taking the place of the intercessions. This is an appropriate day to remember all those who have died, including past members of this parish, as well as family and friends. Please print clearly the names of any you would like remembered at this service, or email the vicar at cdalton@melbourneanglican.org.au. All names on the parish list of the faithful departed will also be read out at the service.

INTERCESSIONS

For the World:

For peace throughout the Middle East, praying especially for the people of Palestine and Israel. For a just end to war between Ukraine and Russia. Relief and peace in places of civil strife and unrest.

For the Church:

In the Anglican communion we pray for the Episcopal Church (Bp Sean Rowe) and in Australia for the diocese of Canberra & Goulburn (Bp Mark Short). In this diocese for Archbishop-elect Ric Thorpe, for Bp Genieve, Diocesan Administrator, and for the Parish of St Augustine's Mentone (Andrea Nagy).

For the Community:

For the economically deprived and the homeless.
For the anxious, the isolated, and those overcome by fear.
For Christ Church Mission and the Community Centre staff and volunteers.

For the Sick: Gaye, Josie, Lee, Robyne, Annette & for those we name in our hearts.

Also remembering those with long-term needs for prayer: Danny Allan, Patty Dowd, John, Joe, Charles, Byron, Aaron, Helen, Fr Andrew, Evan, Ruth, Fran, Peter, Greg and Sharyn and family, Francesco.

For the Departed:

those who have died recently, and those whose Year's Mind occurs this week.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord & let light perpetual shine upon them.

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Are you new to Christ Church?

Please provide us with your phone number and/or email address so that we can get in touch and get to know you better. Tear off this form and hand it to the vicar or one of the welcomers.

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