



The Episcopal  
Diocese *of* Vermont

*Convention Worship Materials  
November 4 and 6, 2021*

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*Opening Devotions*

*Thursday, November 4, 2021*

**Acknowledgement of the *People of the Dawn* for Indigenous Peoples Day**

*The Bishop offers the acknowledgement and others may join in as desired*

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*– Excerpt from the liturgy of the 187th Diocesan Convention of The Episcopal Church in Vermont (October 26, 2019)*

**Lesson**      **Matthew 14:22-33**

**Lector**      A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

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**Lector**      Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

**People**      *Thanks be to God.*

*The Bishop offers prayer for our gathering ending with the following Collects*

### **Collect of Discernment for the Future of the Diocese of Vermont**

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### **For a Church Convention**

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in the Episcopal Diocese of Vermont for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

*Presider*

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Shannon MacVean-Brown

*Lector*

The Rev. Margaret Mathauer

*Designated Responder*

The Rev. Kim Hardy

***Morning Prayer***  
*Saturday, November 6, 2021*

**Prelude**

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**Hymn**      *Unraveled by uncertainty*

Unraveled by uncertainty, the waters stir our doubt,  
Though sea surrounds us on all sides, our faith is in a drought.  
When storms arise and weather turns, our balance comes undone,  
And right when we think all is lost, God’s work has just begun.

The boat was battered by the waves, the winds with fury blew.  
What once was bad turned quickly worse, their dreadful panic grew.  
But through the rain they saw a man who walked upon the waves.  
They hoped that he would keep them safe from going to their graves.

“Take heart, my friends!” He yelled to them as thunder bashed their ears,  
“Fret not, for I AM with you now, God’s stronger than your fears.”  
Then Peter stepped out from the boat, and walked to reach his friend,  
But soon distraction took its toll, he started to descend.

Then Jesus saw his friend’s distress and reached for Peter’s hand,  
He held him in the savage storm, it ceased at his command.  
Then Peter saw his faithful friend, his source of saving love,  
He knelt in praise and worshiped God, for strength sent from above.



## The Invitatory and Psalter

## Enriching Our Worship 20

*Said responsively with the designated responder leading the people's responses*

*Bishop* O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.  
*People* And your glory all the day long.  
*All* Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*Bishop* The Holy One is in our midst:  
*People* O come, let us worship.

### **Jubilate** *Psalm 100*

*Said in unison with the Bishop leading*

May all lands be joyful before you, O God, \*  
serve with gladness  
and come before your presence with a song.

For we know that you are God; \*  
you yourself have made us, and we are yours;  
we are your people and the sheep of your pasture.

We shall enter your gates with thanksgiving,  
go into your courts with praise, \*  
give thanks to you and call upon your Name.

For you are good;  
your mercy is everlasting; \*  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Glory to God, Source of all being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit, \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

*-St. Helena Breviary*

### **Psalm 111**

*The Psalm is read in unison.*

Alleluia!  
I will give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are your deeds, O God; \*  
they are studied by all who delight in them.

Your work is full of majesty and splendor, \*  
and your righteousness endures for ever.

You make your marvelous works to be remembered; \*  
you are gracious and full of compassion.

You give food to those who fear you; \*  
you are ever mindful of your covenant.

You have shown your people the power of your works \*  
in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
all your commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, \*  
because they are done in truth and equity.

You sent redemption to your people;  
you commanded your covenant for ever; \*  
holy and awesome is your Name.

The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom; \*  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
God's praise endures for ever.

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God, \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

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## **The Lessons**

**First Reading**    **Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

**Lector**            A reading from Book of Nehemiah.

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their

hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

**Lector** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

**People** Thanks be to God.

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Come and seek the ways of Wisdom**

**Voices Found 60**



1 Come and seek the ways of Wis - dom, she who  
 2 Lis - ten to the voice of Wis - dom, cry - ing  
 3 Sis - ter Wis - dom, come, as - sist us; nur - ture



danced when earth was new. Fol - low close - ly what she  
 in the mark - et - place. Hear the Word made flesh a -  
 all who seek re - birth. Spi - rit - guide and close com -



teach - es, for her words are right and true. Wis - dom  
 mong us, full of glo - ry, truth, and grace. When the  
 pan - ion, bring to light our sa - cred worth. Free us



clears the path of jus - tice, show - ing us what love must do.  
 word takes root and rip - ens, peace and right - eous - ness em - brace.  
 to be - come your peo - ple, ho - ly friends of God and earth.

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**Second Reading**    **Ephesians 3:14-21**

**Lector**                    A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

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**People**                    *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?*

Lift Every Voice and Sing II 182

*Refrain*

Did - n't my Lord de - liv - er Dan - iel, de - liv - er

Dan - iel, de - liv - er Dan - iel, Did - n't my Lord de - liv - er

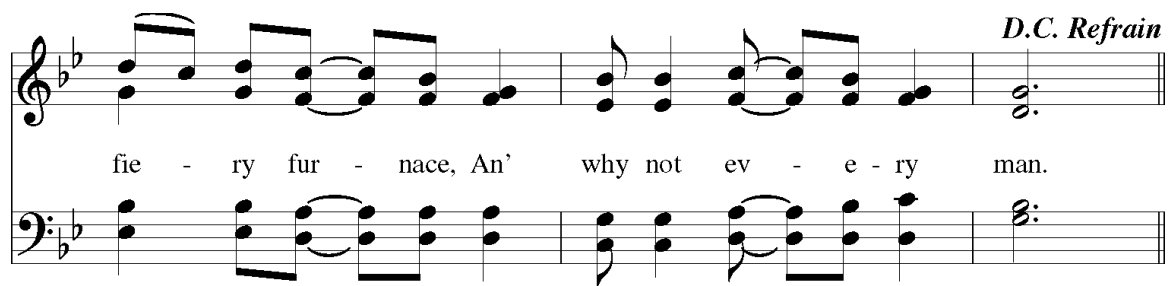
Dan - iel, An' why not - a ev - e - ry man. **Fine**

*Verse 1.*

He de - liv - ered Dan - iel from the li - on's den, an'

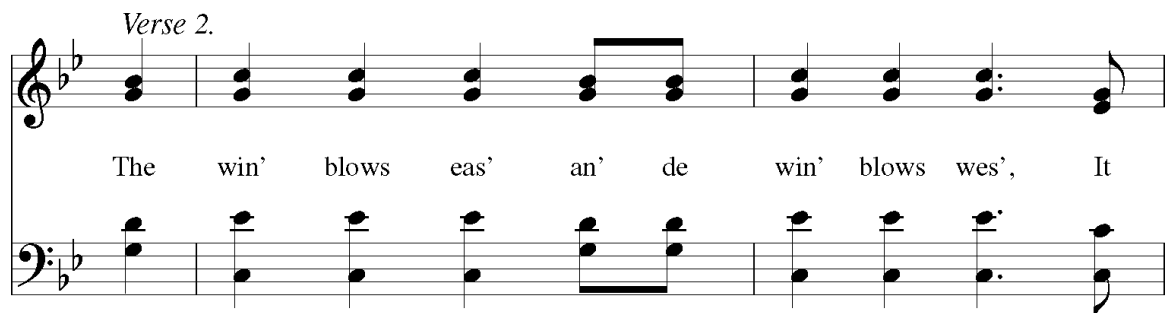
Jo - nah from the bel - ly of the whale; An' the He - brew chil - dren from the

*D.C. Refrain*



fie - ry fur - nace, An' why not ev - e - ry man.

*Verse 2.*



The win' blows eas' an' de win' blows wes', It



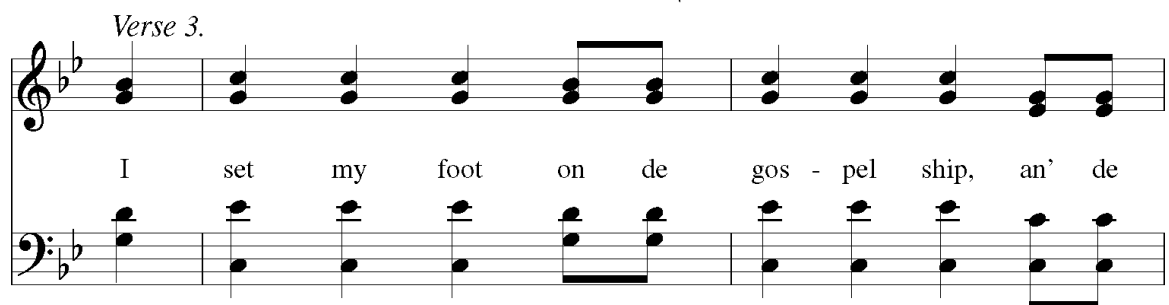
blows like de judg - a - ment\_ day; An' ev - 'ry po' soul\_ dat

*D.C. Refrain*



nev - er did pray 'll be glad to pray\_ dat day.

*Verse 3.*



I set my foot on de gos - pel ship, an' de

ship be - gin to sail; It land - ed me o - ver on

Ca - naan's shore, An' I'll nev - er come back no more.

*D.C. al Fine*

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**Gospel**     **Matthew 14:22-33**

**Deacon**     A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

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**Deacon**     Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

**People**     *Thanks be to God.*

**The Apostles' Creed**

**Enriching Our Worship 41**

*Bishop and People together with Bishop leading*

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 again 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.

**The Prayers**

*Bishop* God be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Bishop* Let us 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.

## **Suffrages**

## **Enriching Our Worship 42**

*The Suffrages are said responsively.*

V. Help us, O God our Savior;  
R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.  
V. Look upon your congregation;  
R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.  
V. Declare your glory among the nations;  
R. And your wonders among all peoples.  
V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;  
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.  
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;  
R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.  
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

## **Collects**

### **For a Church Convention**

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### **A Collect for Saturdays**

Almighty God, who after the creation of the world rested from all your works and sanctified a day of rest for all your creatures: Grant that we, putting away all earthly anxieties, may be duly prepared for the service of your sanctuary, and that our rest here upon earth may be a preparation for the eternal rest promised to your people in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for Guidance**

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Collect of Discernment for the Future of the Diocese of Vermont**

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### **A Collect for Mission**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Hymn *God, who stretched the spangled heavens*

Hymnal 1982 580 (vs. 1,3,4)



1 God, who stretched the span - gled hea - vens in - fi - nite in  
\*2 Proud - ly rise our mod - ern ci - ties, state - ly build - ings,  
3 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child - hood  
4 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal - lenge



time and place, flung the suns in burn - ing ra - diance  
row on row; yet their win - dows, blank, un - feel - ing,  
of our race; known the ec - sta - sy of wing - ing  
us a - new, chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose,



through the si - lent fields of space: we, your chil - dren  
stare on can - yoned streets be - low, where the lone - ly  
through un - trav - eled realms of space; probed the se - crets  
serv - ing o - thers, hon - oring you. May our dreams prove



in your like - ness, share in - ven - tive powers with you;  
drift un - no - ticed in the ci - ty's ebb and flow,  
of the at - om, yield - ing un - im - ag - ined power,  
rich with prom - ise, each en - deav - or well be - gun:



Great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing,  
lost to pur - pose and to mean - ing,  
fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion  
Great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance



show us what we yet may do.  
scarce - ly car - ing where they go.  
or our most tri - um - phant hour.  
till our goals and yours are one.

## **Intercessions and Thanksgivings**

*The Intercessor leads the prayers*

We remember all in our diocese: clergy and lay persons, parishes and institutions and in communion with the wider church offer thanksgiving for our common life.

I invite your prayers of thanksgiving.

*The Intercessor leaves time for online worshippers to offer their prayers aloud. If you would like to offer a prayer, please unmute and then mute again.*

We pray for those who are sick or have asked for our prayers.

I invite your prayers of intercession.

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We pray for those who have died, especially remembering those who have died of the coronavirus this past year, for those who died of violence and natural disasters, for those who have died of suicide.

I invite your prayers for those who have died.

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*The Intercessor offers a prayer for troubled regions of our world:*

We pray for troubled regions of our world where violence, war, and other disasters disrupt and diminish daily life, and especially for those coming to our shores seeking refuge. May we provide a hospitable welcome.

*The Bishop concludes the intercessions with the following Collect*

### **A Collect of Dedication**

Beloved God: As we offer ourselves to you this day, guide and stir us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become one body, one spirit in Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

*The Bishop and People say together*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

## Dismissal

*A Deacon says*

**Deacon** Let us bless the Lord.

**People** *Thanks be to God.*

## Concluding Sentence

*The Bishop says*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*-Ephesians 3:20,21*

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*Officiant and Preacher*

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Shannon MacVean-Brown

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Nanci Gordon

Eric Davis

*Deacon*

Jonathan Ross

*Intercessor*

The Rev. Mary Heller Taggart

*Designated Responder*

Ann Cooper

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Michael Hartigan, Music Director, Trinity Church, Shelburne

The Rev. Kim Hardy, St. James Church, Essex Junction

***Sending Rite***  
*Saturday, November 6, 2021*

**Prayers**

*Bishop*        God be with you  
*People*        And also with you  
*Bishop*        Let us pray.

**A Collect for the Renewal of Life**

O God, the Sovereign eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.* *-St. Helena Breviary*

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*Bishop*

I invite your prayers of thanksgiving for our life together and for new opportunities in our diocese and parishes.

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*Bishop*

I invite your prayers of intention for our diocese and parishes going forward from this convention.

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## **Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*The Bishop says*

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

*Bishop*            Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and  
renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People*            **I do.**

*Bishop*            Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Bishop*            Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People*            **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He 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,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **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.**

*Bishop* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

## **Blessing**

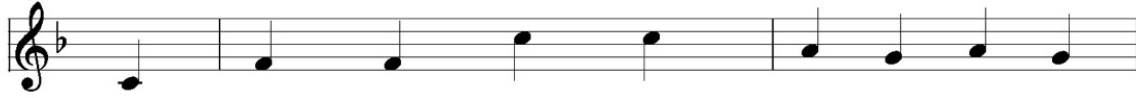
*The Bishop offers a blessing*

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may the blessing of God, Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, be upon you for evermore. *Amen.*

Hymn

*You're called by name, forever loved*

Wonder, Love, and Praise 766



1. You're called by name, for - ev - er loved, a -  
 2. Marked as Christ's own, signed by the cross where  
 3. Raised to new life, a life of grace, set  
 4. Sealed by the Spi - rit, Lord of life, sus -



dopt - ed as a child of God. Now one with us, the  
 Je - sus for our sins once died. with Je - sus bur - ied  
 free from sin, in Christ to grow; his res - ur - rec - tion  
 tained and strength - ened by his might. Joined to the church to



fam - i - ly of those who know and love the Lord.  
 in his death, called to con - fess Christ cru - ci - fied.  
 to pro - claim, his love in all of life to know.  
 share, with us, the in - her - i - tance of saints in light.

*Refrain*

Lord, in your hands we place your own. Lord,



in their lives make your love known.

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