

MOUNTAIN VIEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

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As a community following Christ, we **LOVE** with an open heart, **GROW** with a curious mind, and **SHARE** with a generous spirit.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Please turn off all cell phones.

If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.

Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.

Child care is available for children ages 5 years and under in the Child Care Area, across from the Life Together Hall.

In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

NARRATIVE LECTIONARY 233

PARABLE of the TENANTS / TAXES to CAESAR

Third Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 3, 2024 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross +, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who writes the law on our hearts, who draws all people together through Jesus.

Amen.

Held in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel or continue standing. Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

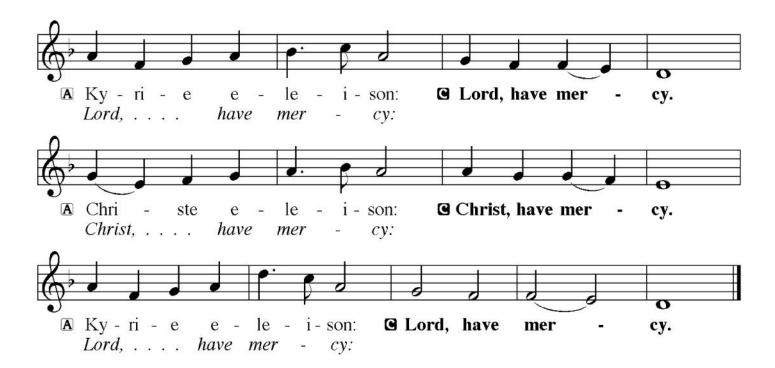
we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free.
We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold.
We speak in ways that silence others.
We are silent when we should speak up.
We keep score in our hearts.
We let hurts grow into hatred.
For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord.
Amen.

Here is a flood of grace: out of love for the whole world, God draws near to us, breaks every snare of sin, washes away our wrongs, and restores the promise of life through + Jesus Christ.

Amen.

KYRIE • "KYRIE"

With One Voice, Holy Communion, Setting 5



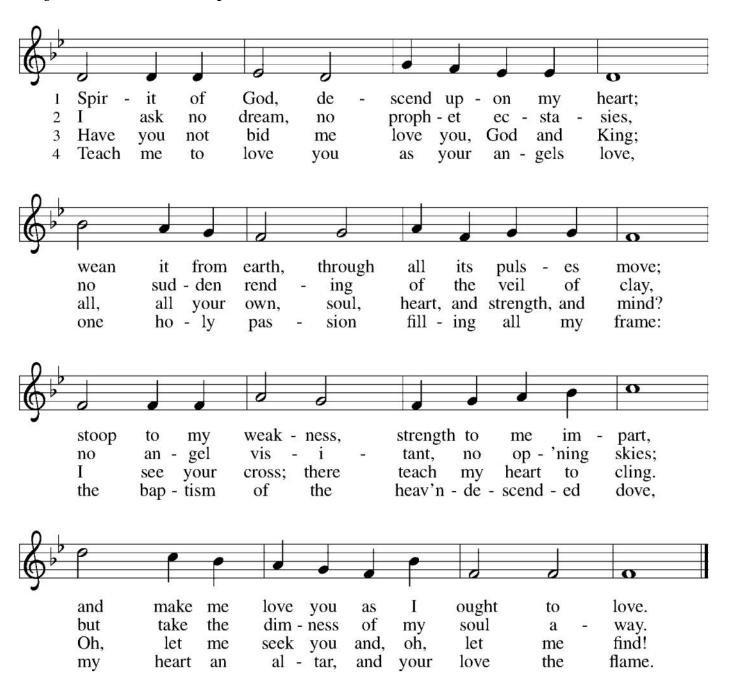
GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE • "SPIRIT OF GOD, DESCEND UPON MY HEART"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 800



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Son of God, you spoke words to Jerusalem's leaders that were hard to hear.

Give us ears to receive your word of life so that we can follow you faithfully.

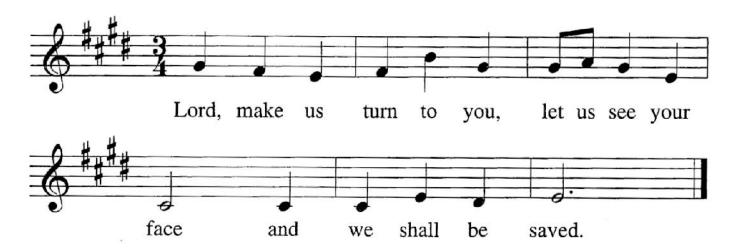
Amen.

Sit.

PSALM • "LORD, MAKE US TURN TO YOU"

Psalms for the Church Year, Volume Ten • Psalm 80

Cantor sings refrain; **then all repeat.** Cantor: verses; **congregation: refrain.**



Shepherd of Israel, give ear in time of need. Pour your power upon us, and save us with your might. **Refrain.**

Once again, O Lord, look down from heaven and see. We are the vine your right hand planted; only by your care we live.

Refrain.

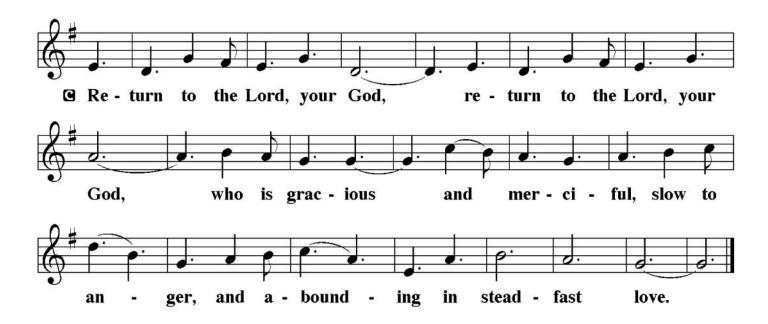
May your right hand be on those you have chosen, those whom you made strong.

Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we will call upon your name. *Refrain.*

Stand.

ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

With One Voice, Holy Communion, Setting 5



READING

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 12:1-17

¹Then [Jesus] began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ²When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. ³But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. ⁴And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. ⁵Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. ⁶He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ¬But those tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours.' ⁸So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. ⁹What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. ¹⁰Have you not read this scripture:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; ¹¹this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?"

¹²When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went away.

¹³Then they sent to him some Pharisees and some Herodians to trap him in what he said. ¹⁴And they came and said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality, but teach the way of God in accordance with truth. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not? ¹⁵Should we pay them, or should we not?" But knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, "Why are you putting me to the test? Bring me a denarius and let me see it." ¹⁶And they brought one. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." ¹⁷Jesus said to them, "Give to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." And they were utterly amazed at him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit.

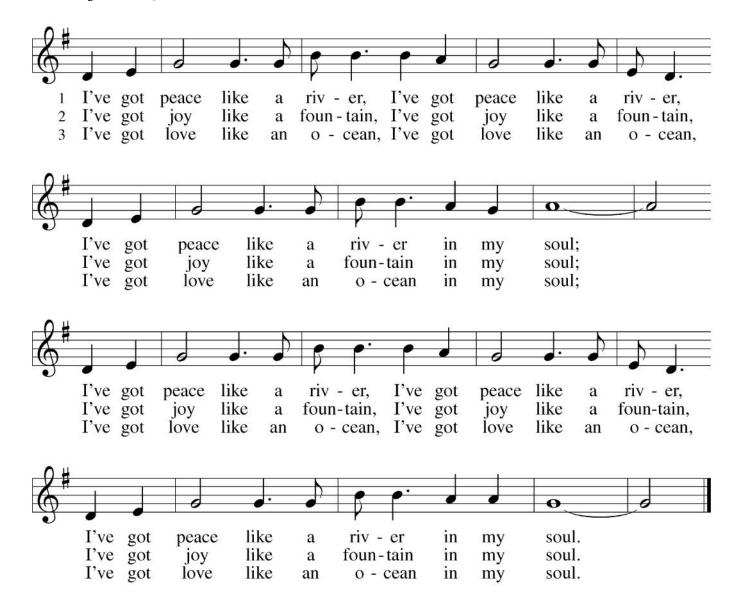
CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Briana Merkle.

Stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY • "I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER"

This Far by Faith 258



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Together, let us confess our faith.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Sit.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Because we believe that in Jesus Christ, God's time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near, we respond in tangible ways.

By doing acts of justice and compassion and by sharing our resources, we bear witness to the good news of the gospel.

The offering is received in gratitude to God.

You can participate in the Offering electronically by scanning the QR code and filling out the online form.



OFFERTORY

"Prayer for Mercy" MVLC Sanctuary Choir.

Stand.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

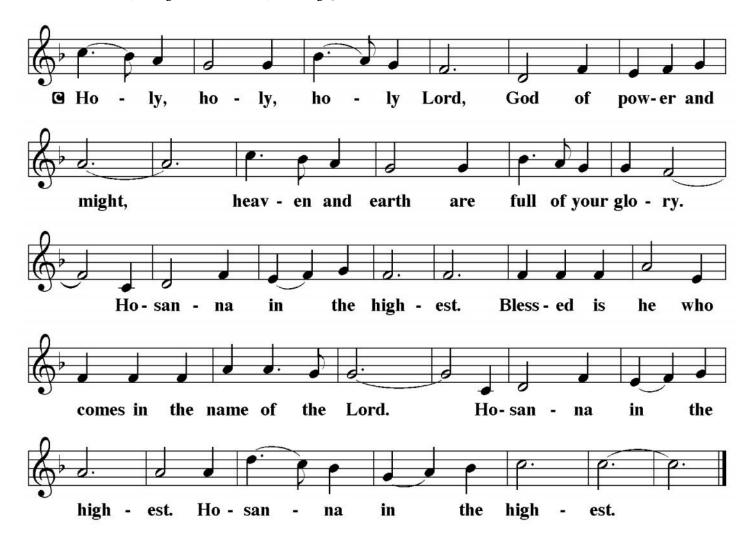
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

With One Voice, Holy Communion, Setting 5



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us 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 forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

Bread for the journey.
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

Sit.

DISTRIBUTION

At Mountain View Lutheran Church we practice an open communion table, which means that everyone is welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. (You don't have to be a member of MVLC.)

If you need an alcohol-free element or a gluten-free element, then please let your server know.

If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

WELCOME TO CHRIST'S TABLE

Come! All who feel new or old, worthy or unworthy, loved or unloved.

Come! All who are ready to weep or to laugh, to mourn or to dance.

Come! All who are searching or have given up, whose lives are in turmoil or in peace.

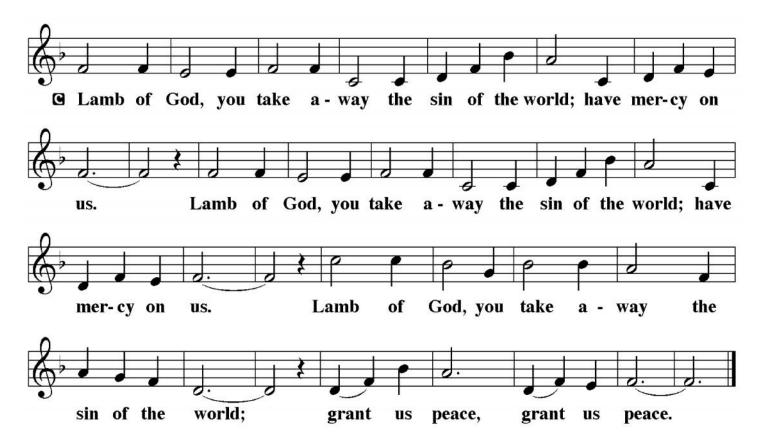
Come! All who are here often or here rarely, who desire relationship or are uncertain.

Everyone, come!
Not because the church invites you
but because Jesus Christ invites you.
All are welcome at this table.

Come!

LAMB OF GOD • "LAMB OF GOD"

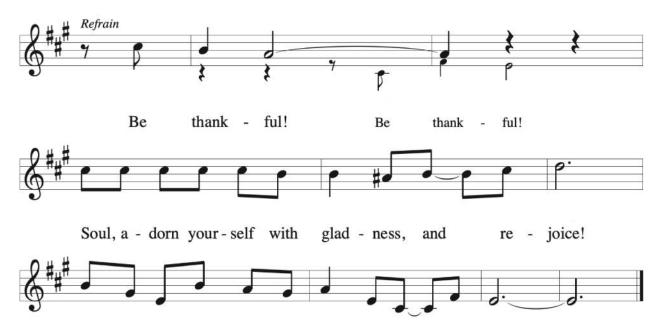
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COMMUNION HYMN • "SOUL, ADORN YOURSELF WITH GLADNESS"

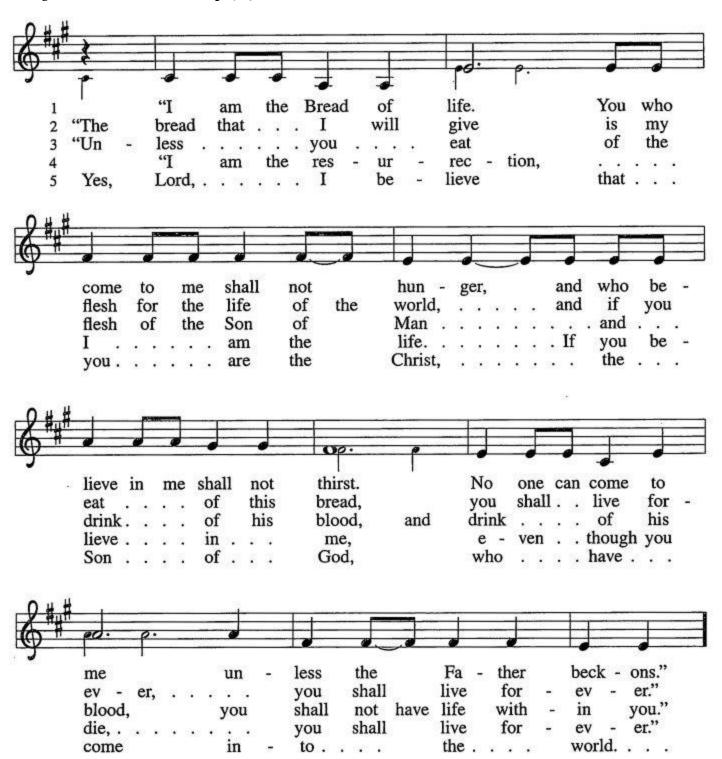
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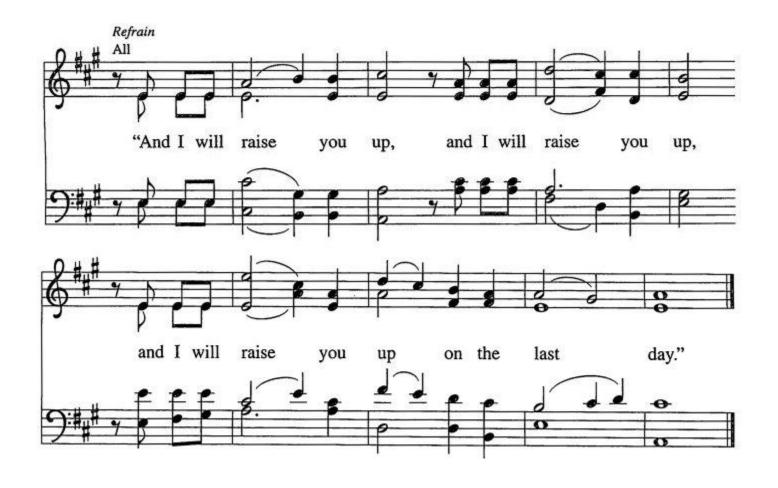




COMMUNION HYMN • "I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"

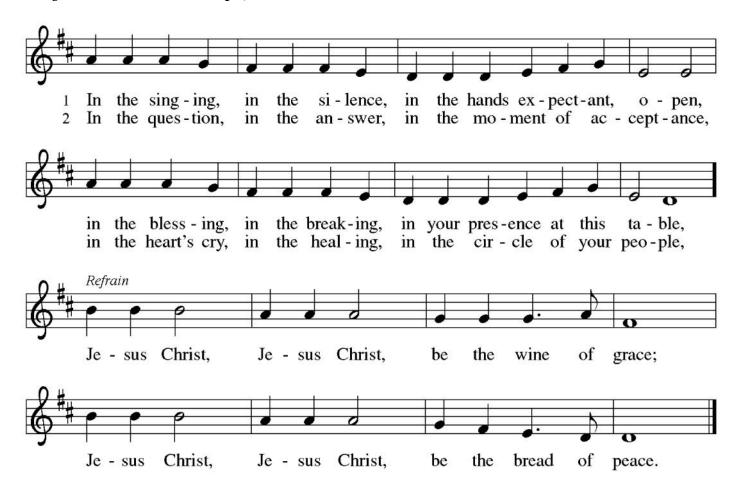
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COMMUNION HYMN • "IN THE SINGING"

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Stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Generous God,

at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

Amen.

DEACON SENDING

Deacons are called to "make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example." (1 Timothy)

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

Gracious God,

whose glory is revealed in the crucified and risen Lord, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are sick and homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion in the body and blood of your Son, that all may feast upon your abundant love made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed.

God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and + give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • "THIS IS THE DAY"

This Far by Faith 262



SENDING

Go in peace. Share your bread.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Both services

- PREACHER: Pastor Briana Merkle.
 - PRESIDERS: Pastor Eric Bostrom.
- ASSISTING MINISTER: Tristan Cornell.
- DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
- VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- ALTAR GUILD: Flora Larson, Karen Lonn, Diane Nelson, Karen Slavens.

8:15 a.m.

- USHERS: Skip Harrison (head usher), George Rowe, Terry Wolfe.
- LECTOR: Diane Tyler.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Chris Ray, Anne Roff.
- SOUND: Tore Sleveland

10:45 a n

- USHERS: Colin Hutton, Erik Knierim (head usher), Diane Nelson, Lindy Nelson.
- GREETERS: Diksha Knierim.
- LECTOR: John Dahle.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Ken Johnson, Terry Johnson.
-) SOUND: Megan Hutton.

Holy Week at MVLC

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24, 2024 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, March 28, 2024 • 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday

Friday, March 29, 2024 • 7:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil

Saturday, March 30, 2024 • 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31, 2024 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

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