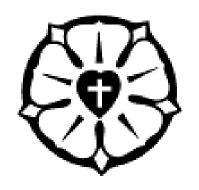


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Our Mission Statement – As joyful followers of Jesus Christ, we welcome and care for all people. We boldly proclaim the Good News, share our faith, and love God by serving others.

Our Statement of Welcome – Accepting those who Christ has already accepted, Kure Memorial Lutheran Church affirms that all people, regardless of race, national origin, sexual orientation, or economic status, are unconditionally welcome to our community of faith and are invited to join us in worship, fellowship, and ministry.

FROM PASTOR DAN

"We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish." They replied.
"Bring them to me", Jesus said. (Matthew 14:17-18)



I invite you to take a few moments to reflect on the words in the graphic to the left. What words resonate with you? What words inspire you? What do they mean to you? Which ones describe the mission and ministry here at Kure Memorial? Which one or ones describe you at this point in your faith journey?

As I think about them, they all speak to who we are as God's people and who God has created us to be!

These words also make me think of our community of faith and the mission we share together, impacting not just those in our immediate community, but also in the world beyond. And your generosity makes it all happen and does more than what you ever imagined! Take this passage from Matthew's gospel for example. Jesus has just told the disciples to feed the thousands of people sitting on the hillside. They must have thought he was

crazy! Because they only had a little bit of food. But that didn't stop Jesus from impacting the lives of everyone who was present that day.

"Joyful Generosity; Growing in Faith". Growing in faith is what we strive for in our Christian journey through life! And joyful generosity is a part of that growth we experience...giving back to God for his blessings in our lives through sharing what God has given us. And how do we do that? Through contributing our:

- 廿 Time
- The abilities God has given us
- ♣ Our financial resources

All of which impact the lives of those in our congregation, our community and around the world!

Through the month of October, we will focus on growing in faith, generosity, and in our thankfulness to God for all God does for us. It will look something like this!

- October 8: (Deuteronomy 26:1-2; Luke 17:11-19) The story of being thankful for God's generosity of the gifts of love and grace we receive from God...and how we express that thankfulness!
- **October 15:** (2 Timothy 3:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20) The importance of learning and growing in our faith through the stories of God working in the world! And...sharing how God is working in our lives through those stories!
- October 22: (1 Thessalonians 1:2-5) Being thankful for this community of faith and the ministries we share!

 Worship will be followed by a celebration of thanks to our faith community with our annual Pig Pickin'!

We hope you will come along on this journey with us of "Joyful Generosity; Growing in Faith"! Surfin' on God's Grace!

Dan



YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

September flew by for our youth! The elementary students have started using the program Dig In and love it. The first unit is learning the Fruit of the Spirit. There are many fun activities, experiments, and games for them to learn and grow with God. Our preschoolers are on a safari with the Simply Loved program where they are learning about the start of

the World God created and the beginnings of the Bible. If you would like to join our amazing Sunday School program, please feel free to reach out, we are looking for teachers







We held our first **Faithful Fun Friday** night with the elementary students. There were many children from outside our congregation, which is wonderful! Thank you for spreading the word about our great program. The students learned about "kindness". They participated in games, a science experiment and enjoyed yummy pizza. We look forward to our next **Faithful Fun Friday** on October 13th.









It will be held on Sunday November 19th at 11:00am-1:00pm following service. We look forward to seeing all the families there for fun crafts, food and activities.



Thank you, Christine Hughes kmlcfamilyministry@gmail.com





FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

September was another good month for us - our contributions exceeded our Mission Plan needs by almost \$5,000. Sixty-six families contributed during the month of September and our weekly range was 20 to 33 families. We received almost \$300 from our Rice Bowl offering for the Carousel Center. Many families have also purchased 2024 Attractions Books. Indeed, we are blessed and thankful to so many for sharing their gifts, time, talent and resources with KMLC.

Looking ahead to 2024 - it is that time when we look ahead to KMLC's needs for 2024. The weekly offering envelopes for next year will soon be arriving on the office. We are in the process of determining which families need actual contribution envelopes.

Many families have changed their method of contributing. For example, many families now donate through Zelle or Paypal - or have their bank mail us the Tithes and Offerings directly. These families do not necessarily need a box of envelopes. (However, you are assigned a number so that we can keep track of your offerings). For these families, I will not designate a box of envelopes, unless specifically requested.

For those using Paypal, we ask you to consider switching to Zelle - While both Zelle and Paypal deduct fees from each transaction, Paypal deducts 2 % more for each time and the actual offering received by KMLC is lower.

Finally, if you have not used envelopes in the past and would like a box for 2024, please leave a message with Lynn and we will be happy to make the adjustment for you.

As always, feel free to contact me about any questions you may have. E-mail me at tmurtha2@aol.com or call 910-769-1761 (land line)

NEWS BITES

Holy Communion on the Second Tuesday of the Month! We invite you to join us on October 10 at 10:30, for a short Holy Communion Service in the sanctuary. This is an opportunity to gather in a small group setting to receive the gift of Holy Communion. And, even if you attend worship and receive communion regularly...it's a chance to gather with others and receive the gift of our Lord Jesus during the week. So, mark your calendars...and if you can't make it this month...make plans to join us in November! Feel free to contact Pr. Dan as well to make other arrangements.



Monthly Men's Breakfast for October! We will gather on Saturday, October 28 beginning at 8:30am in the fellowship hall! The doors will open around 8am to get coffee started and get things rolling, so come early to help out or just to chat. If you plan to bring something to share for breakfast, please let Dan know! It's always good to have variety! Hope to see you in October!

Only 2 more beach services on tap for the season! October 4 and 11! Come on out to the beach for our final two Wednesdays...now at 6:00pm... at the end of Ave. F in Kure Beach...about 1/2 mile south of the traffic light! Bring your beach chair or blanket and come out and join us for a short, but meaningful service in the most beautiful sanctuary God has given us! We hope to see you there! Invite your friends and neighbors! ***Please note the time change to 6pm! Sunset will be before 7pm so we need to get out earlier!



Fall Work Morning: Join us on Saturday, October 21 at 9:00 a.m. to spruce up our church grounds in time for the church's annual Pig Pickin taking place on October 22nd (*more details are coming*)! We hope everyone will come out and join us for this fall work morning event. For more information on please contact Keith Graff at kjeb415@charter.net or reach out to him after church service.

Pig Pickin' 2023!! Our annual Pig Pickin' is coming up on October 22 following worship! Our annual Pig Pickin' is a celebration of the ministries we share together as a faith community! Weather permitting...we will worship outside and then gather for a great meal together with shredded pork, chicken and all the fixin's! So, bring a lawn chair for worship and plan to celebrate with us!



Out of the Pews Outing at the Corn Maze! Out of the Pews is a social group for folks who consider themselves "middle age", say 50's- mid 70's generally speaking! The Out of the Pews group will be heading to Trask Family Farms in Castle Hayne to explore their corn maze on Sunday, October 29**! We will meet there at 3:30pm. A group of us went last year and it was a lot of fun! If people are interested, we will go for a bite to eat afterwards! The address is: 3650 Blue Clay Road, Castle Hayne! We hope you will meet us out there!

(**please note date change from November 4!)



Book Club: "Half American," written by Matthew F. Delmont tells the stories of the Black Americans who helped win the war abroad while battling racism at home. The book provides a fresh account of the war, stressing the particular challenges — from segregation to racist violence — confronted by Black service members. Please join us on Monday, October 30th at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall when we will discuss the book, and share food and conversation. All are welcome!



CALLING ALL CHRISTMAS CARDS...Looking for a good home for all the free Christmas cards from charities you get in the mail? Last year, with your help, I was able to fill up 8 boxes and deliver to 8 different nursing/assisted living facilities. If you have any to donate, please leave them in the basket located in the front of the church. Thank you! For more information, please contact Becky Wetzel at 571-230-6289.

The Sunday Lunch Ministry: Sunday Lunch continues each Sunday at 12:15. Serving brown bag lunches to folks in need in the Carolina Beach area. We need volunteers to assist with lunch preparation before and after service as well as *distributing lunches at the Community Center on Cape Fear Blvd from 12-1*. Please email Jean Graff (*jean_s_graff@charter.net*) or phone 309-339-9272 or just talk with me at church.



COUPONS, COUPONS AND MORE COUPONS: Please donate any unwanted manufacturer coupons that are valid now, or recently expired coupons, for military families. All coupons can be placed in the box labeled Coupons for Military Families in the narthex or brought into the church office Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Barbara Vought.

Envelopes: When a bill arrives, it often comes with a return envelope tucked inside. If you pay bills online or use automatic payments, what do you do with the unused envelope? You can donate the unused return envelope to us! We will use the envelope and reuse it- in many cases. Those envelopes are helpful to Kure Memorial Lutheran Church, and to our environment (reducing waste, reusing and ultimately recycling). Please bring your unused return envelopes to Lynn in the church office.

Property Ministry Team: We will be meeting on October 17th in the Fellowship Hall at 1:30. * Next month we will begin meeting on the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30. To learn more about how to get involved with the Property Ministry Team please contact Keith Graff at kjeb415@charter.net.

Church Council: The Kure Memorial Lutheran Church Council will be meeting on Monday, October 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Service Ministry Team: Our meeting will be Tuesday, October 10th at 2:00 on Zoom. For more details please contact MJ Shalanksi at maryjo.shalanski@gmail.com or Jean Graff at Jean Graff@charter.net.

Thank you from the KML Preschool: The preschool would like to thank the church congregation for your continued support of the preschool program. You all are amazing at bending over backwards to accommodate the shared space. Additionally, the preschool greatly appreciates your financial offering to the preschool from the Rice Bowl collection. The \$501.50 offering will be put to great use to serve our 52 families.

What a blessing it is to have the support of this wonderful congregation! Thank you! Love the Preschool Staff and Families!

NONAGENARIAN CELEBRATION PROJECT



In 2021, the Service Team initiated the "Nonagenarian Celebration Project" to recognize six members of KMLC who achieved that extraordinary status—Punky Kure, Emily Barber, Donnie Rehder, Ted and Ellen Prevatte, and Isabell Foushee. On September 29th, Gary Cox was the newest member of our church family to hit that 90th birthday milestone. *Many congratulations to Gary!*

KMLC FOOD PANTRY

KMLC Food Pantry Box: Several of our KMLC Food Pantry Box stockers have noticed that certain items are favorites among individuals visiting the Box. These **favored items** include cans or pouches of tuna, canned meat—such as Vienna sausages, Spam, and chicken, cereals, SpaghettiOs, chili, dried fruit, fruit snacks, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers and chunky soups.

*Cans with pop tops are always appreciated! Questions or suggestions can be emailed to MJ Shalanski at maryjo.shalanski@gmail.com or John Ellen at 67jellen@gmail.com. Thanks for anything that you can do to help sustain this community food ministry!

Pantry Box Sunday October 8th

The 2nd Sunday of every month is "*Pantry Box Sunday*." Our KMLC Food Pantry Box has become an important food resource in our local community. We need your help to keep the Box stocked. Bringing a single food item with you to church on Pantry Box Sunday

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	Ushers	Assisting Ministers	Readers	Sign	AV
October 1	Dottie Herman and Jack Campbell	Beth Gavigan	MJ Shalanski	Jen Carter	Stephanie and Peyton Hyde-Miller
October 8	Stephanie and Peyton Hyde-Miller	Beth Gavigan	Pat Jones	Jen Carter	Colby Shoffner
October 15	Mel and Pat Jones	Keith Graff	Julie Dawson	Amber Lang	Cory Petermann
October 22	Thom Giardot and Jack Campbell	Keith Graff	Kristin Woodie	Ann Bridgers	Peter Yandow
October 29	TBD	Cory Petermann	Patrick Gavigan	Amber Lang	Bill Buckley

If you are interested in becoming a worship assistant, please contact Lynn at <u>kurememorial@kurememorial.com</u>

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY

October 9th is National Indigenous Peoples Day.

As people of faith we are committed to addressing the legacy of harm done to Indigenous Peoples by churches and governments, and to forging right relationships.

Creator God.

We look at your world and praise you for the diversity all around us.

Thank you for the gift of relationships; our connection with people, animals and the land.

Help us, Lord, to see differences and diversity as strengths.

Help us to listen and understand; to meet one another with

wonder and anticipation.

Help us to love as you love, without expectation.

Reveal to us your way of reconciliation and guide us into right relationships with all living things.

Lead us to understand how Indigenous peoples have been and continue to be profoundly harmed by settler people and institutions.

Lead us to repent when we as settlers deny Indigenous peoples respect, dignity and fullness of life.

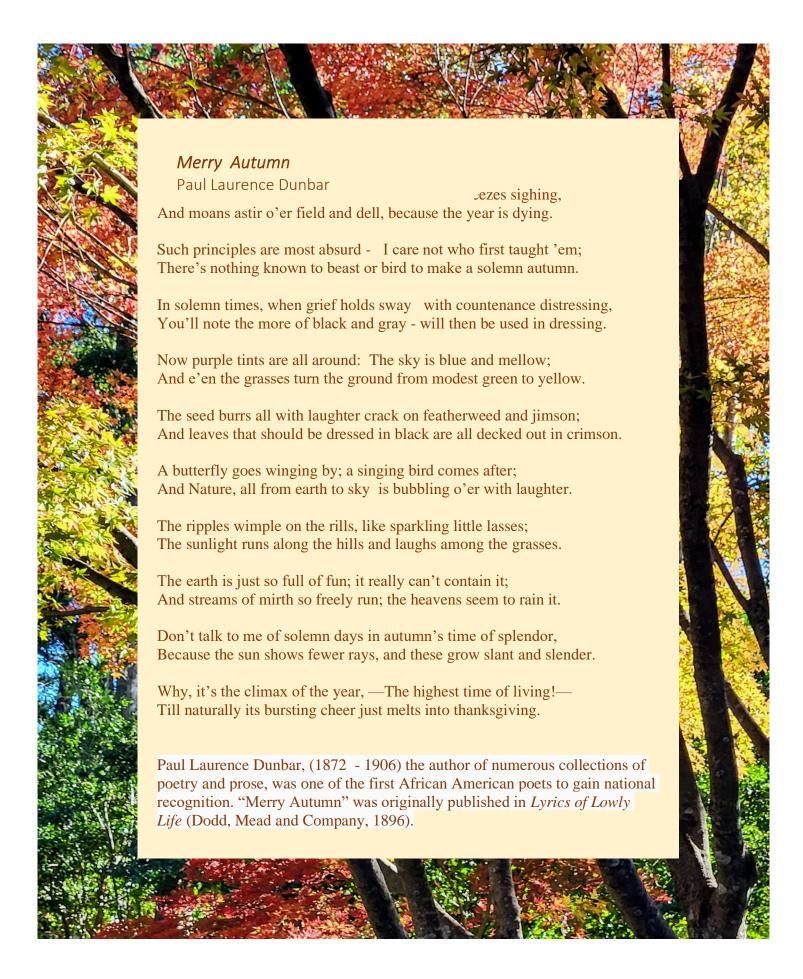
Help us to listen compassionately, to speak humbly and to act justly.

Help us to seek the peace, justice and reconciliation you desire among all your children.

Thank you for your mercy and grace.

Amen.

Prayer by Dianne Climenhage, MCC Atlantic Canada Regional Representative



HELP CENTER OF FEDERAL POINT

The Help Center of Federal Point: The needs of the Help Center of Federal Point for this month include:

October 1 Jelly	October 8 Tuna in cans or pouches	October 15 Soups
October 22 Canned vegetables (no green beans please)	October 29 Canned meats	*Any other canned or packaged shelf stable food items are deeply appreciated and may be placed in the donation bins are located at the front of the church.

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND FLOWERS

Sanctuary Candle: Our Sanctuary Candle burns continually, signifying the unswerving presence of the spirit of the Lord in our hearts and in our lives. To sponsor the sanctuary candle, choose an available Sunday date from the <u>sign-up form on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall</u>. Please note that this form is checked the Wednesday before the bulletin is complete. If you sign up for the approaching Sunday on Thursday or Friday, please contact Lynn and let her know. Please send an email to Lynn and indicate the exact wording for the loved one, celebration or occasion you wish to honor. The cost of sponsorship is \$5; an acknowledgement will be made in the Sunday Bulletin. For more information, please contact Lynn during church office hours at 910-458-5266. Send the exact wording to use to kurememorial@kurememorial.com.

Sanctuary Flowers: To sponsor sanctuary flowers, please choose an available Sunday date from the <u>sign-up form on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.</u> It is essential to sign up for dates no later than the Wednesday afternoon, prior to the Sunday date. Please send an email to Lynn and indicate the exact wording for the loved one, celebration or occasion you wish to honor. The cost of sponsorship for the floral arrangement is \$25.00. Your dedication will be acknowledged in the Sunday Bulletin. The flowers will be displayed in the sanctuary. The arrangement is yours to take home to enjoy after service! For more information, please contact Lynn during church office hours at 910-458-5266. **Send the exact wording to use to kurememorial@kurememorial.com.**

THANK YOU FROM THE CAROUSEL CENTER



Dear Kure Memorial Lutheran Church,

Together we will work towards a world free from child sexual, physical abuse, and neglect, where -children grow up happy, healthy, and safe.

We are so grateful for your gift of \$300.00 to support our important mission to meet the needs of abused and neglected children in Southeastern North Carolina.

Your gift will help stop the cycle of abuse AND help our community hold child abusers accountable. Your investment in the Carousel

Center encourages healing, promotes justice, fosters resilience in children victimized by physical or sexual abuse, and improves our community through education, prevention, and advocacy.

Your donation goes to work immediately here in Brunswick, New Hanover, and Pender counties and you will help a young life heal and give back their childhood. Questions? Contact Laurie Taylor, Development Manager at laurie.taylor@carouselcenter.org<mailto:laurie.taylor@carouselcenter.org or call at 910-245-9898.

Thank you again for your support of the Carousel Center, thank you for your compassion and generosity! Sincerely, Amy L. Feath, Executive Director Rhonda Henry, Chair, Board of Directors

THANK YOU



God bless you
with the same
peace, hope,
and love
that you bring
to the lives
of others.
With your Sunday
Lunch Program

† REMEMBER IN PRAYER †

Homebound, Hospitalized, Special Concerns

Andra Ciparis, Ann Scott, April, Aris Mora, Barry Nelder, Beth Deaton, Beth Loony, Billy Ward, Bobby, Brenda King, Cam Traut, Chuck Shoaff, Claire Houston, Cooper Smith, Cynthia Petermann, Dani Cape, Dave Harmon, David M. White, Don Bowman, Donna Kern, Eleanor Lundy, Ellen Prevatte, Felicia Scism, Gina Hughes, Herb Flamer, Jaden Woolard, Janet Kassor, Janice Schwartz, Jayne Tomlin, Jen Priddle, Joanne Adams, Joe, Joeley Seitz, John Walker, Joseph Wright, Kaitlin Sprague, Kathleen Meyerson, Kelly Cahill, Kirk Graves, Lee Register, Lisa Lee, Lorraine Davis Matt Laske, Maxine Jordan, Megan Peoplis, Mel Jones, Molly, Morgan Davison, Nicky Hamm, Patrick Gavigan, Randy Ray, Roman Miller, Rowan Stark, Ruth Ann Getsinger, Sally Hearne, Sandra Mullins, Stephen Shearin, Steve Belford, Steve Shuttleworth, Steve Siferd, Tammy Gillis, Tim Smith, Trudy Ford, Vickie Hester, Victoria Sanchez

Friends & Family

Arlo Bond, Ben Marable, Chad & Gail Abernathy, Craig Vaughn, Denise Matroni, Diana Berg and family, Dianne Breed, Ed Gross, Ed Jones, Eileen Lennon, Ellyn Lombardi, Fernando Mazzoni, Jean Behanna, Jean Tennant, Jerry Pryzwara, Joey, Kevin Stamp, Larry Gilbert, Laura McMahon, Mackenzie Clark, Marilyn Johnson, Mary Adobato, Megan Manley, Mel Willingham, Nannette Mauger, Olivia Belden & family, Pam Carter, Pamela Kline Bell, Pat Addington, Pat Hankin, Richard White, Rick & Sharon Ellis, Roger and Marilyn Stowell, Sandy Hunt, Senka Gambino, Shaquana Blount, Stephen Vivar and family, Steve Post, Terry Ford & Carl Ford, Carter Poelling Family, McGraw Family, Tom Grady, Tom Karnatz, Tony Izokaitis, Whitney Johnson and the Johnson Family.

Please pray for the caregivers as they care for those who are ill.

<u>Please pray for the missions of our church</u> Federal Point Help Center / Coupons to Service men's families / KMLC Preschool / Good Shepherd (food & supplies) / Trinity Grove / Katie B Hines Senior Center lunch program / The Sunday Lunch Ministry.

***Students Attending College / Seminary:

Christopher Schwenker- Cape Fear Community College / Donovan Woodie- Cape Fear Community College, Emily Graff-Pastoral Internship: Abiding Presence Lutheran; Fuquay Varina / Rachel Pivik-Wayne Junior College / Katie Elkin-Pastoral Internship Zion Lutheran, Loveland, Co. / Andro Keck-University of South Carolina / Mackenzie Clark-Hood College, Maryland/ Isabella Galindo-UNC-Wilmington/ Matthew Shuttleworth-Cape Fear Community College / Mia Shoffner-UNC-Wilmington / Sydney Maguire-College of Charleston / Preston Gourville-Vanderbilt / Kelsey Bloch-UNC-Wilmington / Kari Bloch-Wake Tech / Jordan Gourville-University of South Carolina / Hawthorne Hamm-UNC Chapel Hill, Sydney Roy/Cape Fear Community College

***Military Personnel Serving

Brandon Muehl at Fort Liberty, NC; Col Wayne Lett at McDill Tampa; Duncan Fortney at Mildenhall Air Force Base in the United Kingdom NC; John Brandon in Wayton, Utah; Marley Von Cannon at a Naval Base in Walton County Florida; Nick Schwenker - Fort Moore, GA; Pastor Drew Goodson, US Navy Chaplain; Rileigh Fortney at Maimstrom AFB, Montana; Steven Blum at Fort Liberty, NC

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KMLC STAFF

Pastor:Dan KeckChurch Office Manager:Lynn GalindoMusician & Choir Director:Kristin WoodieCoordinator of Youth & Family MinistryChristine Hughes

COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2023

Gayle Palamara, Beth Gavigan, Eleanor Lundy, Ann-Marie Cooper, Christine Hughes, Cory Petermann, Marcus Matzke, Roshell Heckendorf, Butch Von Cannon

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Secretary: Roshell Heckendorf

Treasurer: Eleanor Lundy

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Nurture – Roshell Heckendorf

Service – MJ Shalanski Beth Gavigan

Discipleship – Darcy Hearne

Preschool- Celeste Carpenter Eleanor Lundy
Property - Keith Graff Christine Hughes

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10:00- Worship/Sunday school After Worship Birthday Sunday 12:15-Lunch Ministry		11-Prayer Circle in Sanctuary Happy Birthday Debra Foushee	6:00 Beach Worship		9:30-Friday morning book group (Wetzel's) house) Happy Anniversary	Happy Birthday Janice Hindle John Vrba Susan Bloch
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of every month is Birthday Sunday



If your birthday is in the month of October, then join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday October 1st!

We will meet in Fellowship Hall immediately after service, for cake and fellowship!

We hope you will join us!

FALL WORK MORNING

9:00 SATURDAY OCTOBER 21

PLEASE HELP SPRUCE UP THE GROUNDS IN TIME FOR THE CHURCH'S ANNUAL PIG PICKIN ON SUNDAY, OCT 22ND



Pig Pickin 2023

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