

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

July 27, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

WELC TO ST. JAMES'S

St. James's is a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith. No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours.

In this service of Holy Eucharist we give thanks to God and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed. Educational programs afford parishioners of all ages the opportunity to engage their own beliefs and practices as well as those of others.

Empowered by God we go forth into the wider world to serve others in our lives, schools, and workplaces.

HAPPENING TODAY

VISIT: Stick around after the service and introduce yourself to a friendly-looking stranger.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN: Join us outdoors after the service today for cool lemonade and other refreshments!

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: The Annual School Supply Drive continues! See back of bulletin for details.

SOLOISTS: Today's service features a quartet of singers from the St. James's Adult Choir - Lindsay, Mara, John, and David. We're so thankful for their musical gifts!

Nursery care is available during the service on the first floor of the parish building. Ask an usher for directions, but know that your children are welcome in church during the service.

KFC: Kids for

Christ! Young Children age 3 through elementary school are welcome to gather in the narthex (main foyer) for Sunday School. They return during the Peace.

Parking is

available in our parking lot and across Walden at Santander Bank.

Hearing devices are available at

both entrances to the church.

INTROIT Cantate Domino & O Praise the Lord Adam Gumpelzhaimer (1559-1625)

Gumpelzhaimer was a pivotal Bavarian composer, cantor, and music theorist who served at the cathedral of Augsburg from 1581 until his death. He is perhaps best known for his influential "Compendium musicae," a treatise and anthology that served as a core textbook throughout southern Germany into the late 17th century.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 665 All my hope on God is founded Michael

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, S236

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The people sit THE LESSON

Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

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

PSALM 138 (said) Confitebor tibi

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness; For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.

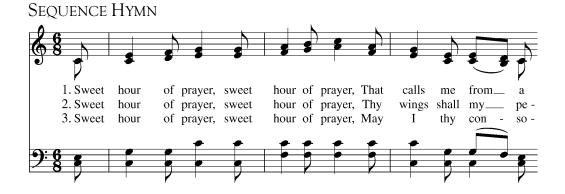
All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; * O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.







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THE GOSPEL

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*People* Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, `Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, `Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

Luke 11:1-13

The people sit THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

The people stand THE NICENE 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess, grant us the grace to honor you with our substance. Grant us the courage and commitment to be faithful in our giving. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

May we, as the Body of Christ in our life together, do things only for the glory of God. We pray for Sean our presiding bishop, Jeff and Laura our bishops, our parish clergy; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

May we be people of word and action as we support relief for the world's poor and homeless; for the unemployed and the under-employed. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in all the nations of the world. Remembering especially Donald, the president of the United States.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for the end of violence everywhere; remembering especially victims of gun violence and those who love them. We pray for all whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster and political strife. We pray for the people of Palestine, Israel and Ukraine, and the protection of innocent life everywhere. We pray for safety in our daily lives. Guide us to be reconcilers for peace and justice at home and in the world. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for all who have died, especially Louise Keesling on the anniversary of her death and in whose name the altar flowers have been given. We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays.

We pray for our parish, our extended parish family, our needs, and those of others.

We invite you to offer your own prayers silently or aloud.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

Welcome & Announcements

If you would like to make an online offering to the Mission and Ministry of God through the work of the people of St. James's, please use this QR code. *Thank you! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

AT THE OFFERTORY

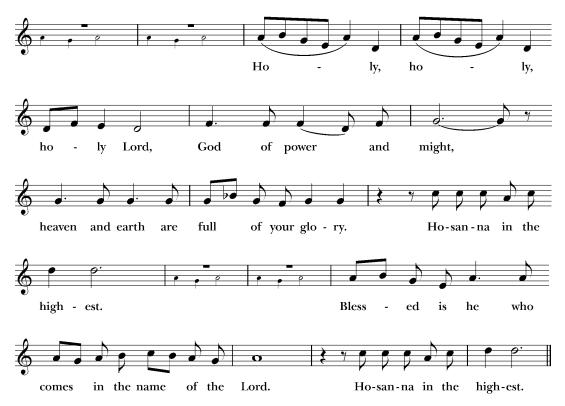
The Lord's Prayer

Scott Perkins (b. 1980)

American composer Scott Perkins is an award-winning scholar and professor at California State University Originally from Bristol, CT, Perkins studied as a child at the Hartt School's Community Division, where he won a composition contest at the age of 12 which resulted in a premiere by the Hartford Symphony Orchestra. Among his musical influences, he cites Arvo Pärt, who will be featured later in today's service.

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 our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



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Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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.

The Fraction

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant 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 by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.Vater Unser (Our Father)Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)COMMUNION MUSICVater Unser (Our Father)Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

Estonian composer Arvo Pärt is renowned for his deeply spiritual music and his development of the "tintinnabuli" style–characterized by simplicity, clarity, and a bell-like purity of tone. This setting of the Lord's Prayer exemplifies this aesthetic in its most intimate form, as it slowly unfolds with quiet reverence. Unlike many of Pärt's more expansive choral works, it is almost disarmingly direct–its stark beauty inviting listeners into a moment of stillness, humility, and devotion.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 368 Holy Father, great Creator Regen

Regent Square

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Entrée en Forme du Carillon Theodore

Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

A prolific figure in 19th-century French sacred and organ music, Théodore Dubois served as organist at the Church of the Madeleine in Paris and later became director of the prestigious Paris Conservatoire. His Dix Pièces (Ten Pieces), published in 1886, represents a richly Romantic approach to the French organ tradition, balancing lyrical expressiveness with formal clarity. This movement in "carillon style" imitates a bell peal throughout.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Dr. Molly F. James PREACHER – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Michelle Horsley SOLOISTS – Lindsay Fawber, soprano; Mara Suttmann-Lea, alto; John Waterman, tenor; David Byrne, bass CHALICE BEARERS – Ted Newton, Matt Schott LECTOR – Ted Newton INTERCESSOR – Rob King ACOLYTE – Harry Keating USHERS – Mike Shuey, Loretta Waldman LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Adam Fisher ALTAR GUILD – Elizabeth Gallegos

PRAYER LIST

The entire Prayer List is read during the course of the week. If you would like someone to be added, contact the office: <u>info@stjameswh.org</u> or 860-521-9620.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH FAMILY Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY Jeff, Joanie, Teresa, Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Janet, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest, Laticia, Suzanne, Karen J., Don.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED/ALTAR FLOWERS Remembering especially Louise Keesling on the anniversary of her death and in whose name the altar flowers have been given. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace; let perpetual light shine upon them.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. John's, Salisbury; Trinity, Seymour; Christ Church, Sharon. Parish office volunteers; curates; seminary interns; parish assistants and associates; missional curacies.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

BIRTHDAYS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers at the 9:30 service **today** and every second and fourth Sunday of the month. If you would like healing ministers to pray with you and for you during a time of challenge or discernment, come to one of the two stations at the back of the church after receiving the Eucharist. If you would like to participate or have questions about becoming a healing prayer minister, please email Cheri Evans: <u>cheriev98@gmail.com</u>.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery Care will be available today during the 9:30 service. We will continue with

KFC (Kids of Christ) during the 9:30 service as well. Please feel free to contact Priscilla at <u>education@stjameswh.org</u> with any questions.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HOST LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Lemonade-on-the-Lawn continues throughout the summer after the 9:30 service and we could use your help. Please find a Sunday or two on your calendar to host! Whether you've hosted in the past or are thinking about signing up for the first time, thank you. Your contributions are appreciated. Any questions, contact Mary Goeldner at <u>marykirkg@gmail.com</u>. To sign up go to <u>www.stjwh.org/lemons</u>.

COME ENJOY TIME IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN - And pick a few weeds!

Attention all gardeners! The Memorial Garden Crew is looking for help in maintaining this beautiful garden! A team of weeders rotates on a bi-weekly basis June through September to weed and do some light pruning. You decide which day of the week to weed. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time. If you are willing to help, please sign-up online using the QR Code. If you are unable to access the link, kindly see or email Claire Burnett at



<u>claireburnett@comcast.net</u>. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email and/or by scheduling a walk through the garden with Claire after a 9:30am service. Thank you for considering helping with this important ministry!

GOOD NEWS GARDEN

The beds and greenhouse are fully planted, and we harvested lettuce, snap peas, bok choy, collard greens end of May. We now have four beds near Walden Street and thank you to all the helpers who filled the last one (and built it!). We're thankful for new members of the team and for the Harris's produce delivery to HCW. Please consider buying extra produce when you shop and adding the extras to our bounty. We welcome newcomers to join us: email Cheryl Wadsworth <u>cherw173@gmail.com</u>.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHALICE BEARER?

Serving as a chalice bearer, who provides the Cup of Salvation to parishioners during Communion, is a meaningful and different way to participate in and experience our Sunday morning Eucharist. And we need a few more people to fill out our ranks, so our rotation can be about once every six to seven weeks. If you would like more information or are interested, please contact Tom Rouse, <u>thomasarouse@yahoo.com</u> or (860) 351-5560 to learn more about the opportunity.

ST. JAMES'S "EMBRACE" MINISTRY

The Embrace Ministry invites people into God's love through acts big and small. Weekly phone calls, cards/letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit from our ministry, please contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Thomlinson (860-372-1193).

CHEF MINISTRY

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. <u>mach1goon@gmail.com</u>, 978-505-1333.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (please notice additions)

As we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried beans, cereal, shelf stable milk (like Parmalat) and sugar.** Donations can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door. Monetary donations are also accepted to help purchase these items. Just note "Food Pantry" in memo.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AA meetings convene in the dining room Mondays and Thursdays at 10am, Monday through Friday at 7am, and Saturdays at 7pm.

CLERGY VISITATION

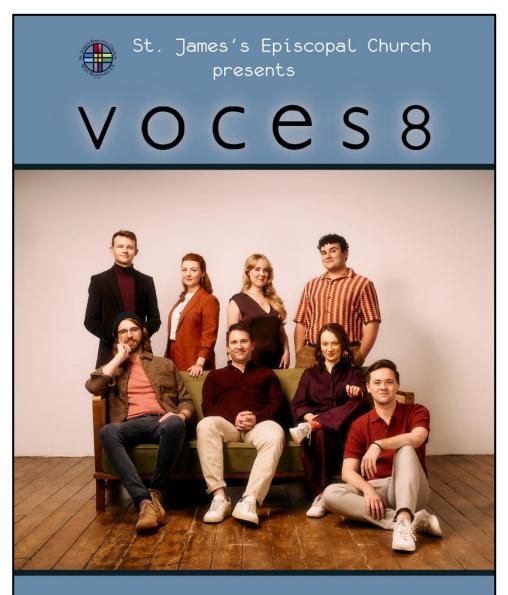
If you or a loved one would like a member of the clergy to visit you at home or in the hospital, please contact the clergy at <u>rector@stjameswh.org</u> or <u>assistant@stjameswh.org</u>.

27th Annual School Supply Drive

Collection runs until August 17

Items Most Needed: backpacks, pencils, pens, notebooks, erasers, crayons, markers, gluesticks, and rulers.

> JOIN US ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 17 AFTER THE 9:30 SERVICE TO HELP SORT AND PACK THE SUPPLIES!





7:00pm Saturday,Oct 11

1018 Farmington Ave West Hartford, CTtickets available online\$40-55



SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST 8 a.m. in the chapel (no 8:00 in the summer) 9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel (Breakfast served in the parish room following the service)



Make a pledge to St. James's

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III	Rector
The Rev'd Robert M. Lofberg	Assistant Rector
The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke	Priest Associate
The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. James	Priest Associate
The Rev'd John L.C. Mitman	Priest Associate
The Rev'd Doctor Borden W. Painter Jr	Priest Associate
The Rev'd Joan P. Phelps.	Priest Associate
The Rev'd Jean R. Smith	Priest Associate

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	Marilyn Tomlinson	Susan Ritz

We are a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith. No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours...

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