

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church June 19, 2022

"Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are a vibrant congregation that shares the love of Christ with each other, the community, and the world."

Holy Communion

Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting Six (Available via You Tube and Zoom Remotely)

Congregational responses are in bold print

We welcome all our visitors, members, friends and family to this wonderful evening of light, music, the Holy Word and fellowship. We gather each week to worship, study and share fellowship so we can joyfully serve others. We especially welcome those new to our worship. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to tell you more about Grace! Please fill in a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We ask that all who commune fill in a communion card. We have Gluten Free Communion Wafers available please inform Communion Assistant of your need.

We have 4 assisted listening units that are simple to operate. They consist of a small unit with an earpiece and volume control, each unit is replaced after each use. See the ushers to use one today.

Restrooms: Located to your left as you face the rear of the church.

During worship, you'll notice parts of the service in regular type, which are spoken/prayed by various worship leaders. Then there are parts the you and the rest of the congregation respond and/or pray in bold type. All of us are participants as we worship God! When asked to stand, please do so as you are able. As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.

Gathering

Gloria Patri

Congregation and Choir sing.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end.

Amen

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

We stand.

In the name of the Father, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn: "Faith of Our Fathers" #812, Page 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**.

Faith of Our Fathers



Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt. Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818–1888; James G. Walton, 1821–1905, refrain

Kyrie



Canticle of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

We sit.

Word

A reading from Exodus

Exodus 19:1-6; 20:1-11

¹On the third new moon after the Israelites had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that very day, they came into the wilderness of Sinai. ²They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

¹Then God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³you shall have no other gods before me.

Continued

⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

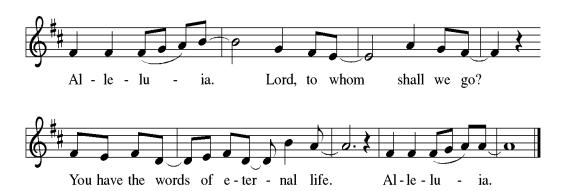
⁸Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work — you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Glory to you O Lord.

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest? ³⁷He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

Children's Message

Pastor Radecke

<u>Sermon</u>

Pastor Radecke

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Hymn of the Day: "The God of Abraham Praise"

#831, Page 11, Verses 1, 3, 4

The God of Abraham Praise



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. 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 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.

Prayers of Intercession

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Meal

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please greet those around you, remaining distanced, and offering a sign of peace to one another.

We sit.

Offering

We offer our thanks to God for "ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of God's gracious love" by our offerings. The offering plates will be passed by the ushers from the center aisle.

(Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate)

Offertory Response



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Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful,

you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

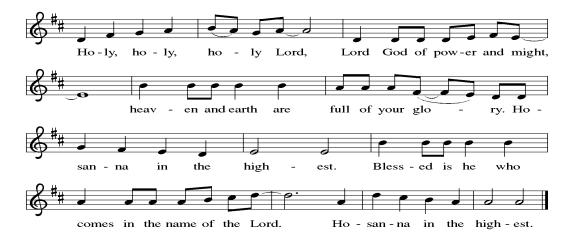
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:



Thanksgiving at the Table

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Thanks be to God!

The Holy Communion

The congregation may be seated.

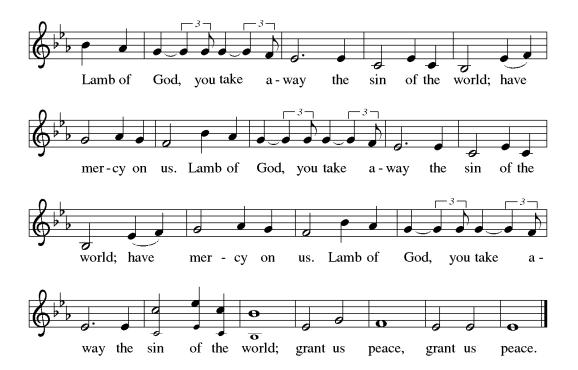
OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord — regardless of Church denomination — to those who are baptized. (Taken from the ELCA statement on worship. The Use and Means of Grace ©1997)

Ushers will invite you to come down the center aisle. Receive the bread from the pastor or assisting minister, then turn to the side you have sat on, and receive the wine/grape juice from the communion assistant at the altar rail. Place your empty cup in the trays at the end of the railing, and return to your pew via the side aisle. Those giving the bread and wine will say the following:

The body of Christ, given for you The blood of Christ, shed for you.

You may respond with "Amen"

After all have returned to their places, we stand.



We stand.

The Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

We give you thanks, almighty God,

that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Almighty God, Father, ♣ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Sent Forth by God's Blessing



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Musie: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune
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Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today



Ushers:

Altar Flowers: Gail Johnson
Altar Guild: Kathy Meicke
Assisting Minister: Ashley Stollings
Communion Assistants: Jerry Kite

Mike Trauscht

Council Person of the Week:Fred BiggersCovid Monitor:Gail JohnsonOffering Stewards:Pat Brady

Pat Brady Robin Crowder Ron Almarode

Lee Lynch



The Chancel Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jack E. Johnson and Leonard C. Reid, Jr. by their children

Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

June 26
Third Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Pastor Mark Radecke,

Presiding and Preaching

Exodus 20:12-16 Matthew 22:34-40



Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks, in an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.

Prayer Request for Members (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

Pat Giesen Bob Knemoller Glenn Myers Jimmy Owens

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

Travis Brown, Friend of Linda Tomey
Esther Dabney
Natalie & Nicole Dodge

Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for 4 weeks*)

Pastor Paul and Jill during Pastor's Sabbatical Council, Lay Leaders and staff during Pastor's Sabbatical

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members (Please advise of status changes)

Liz Ann Binns Fred Brower
Marie Brown Sandra Hoy
Phyllis Kite Glenn and Flossie Myers
Janet Parmer Ingrid Sevigny

Lily Skelton

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Relatives/Friends (Please advise of status changes)

Janice Collins, Friend of Grace

Nancy Delaney, Dave Delaney's Wife

Kyle Getler, Member Relative

Darren Graf, Son of Woody and Irma Graf

Regan Grant, Friend of Richard and Kathy Bump Sandy Higgs, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow Joshua Horn, Friend of Mike and Cindy Trauscht Lou Lanier, Friend of Jim and Gloria Nelson Helen McClung, Cousin of Nancy Schwiesow Larry Spoon, Husband of Bonnie Spoon, Friend of Many Course Wilford Broken in Law of Amy Warrang

Curry Wilford, Brother-in-Law of Amy Warren

Douglas Williams, Friend of Sylvia Almarode, deployed to Kuwait for one year

Members/Friends Grieving

Family of Barb Susen, Grace Member
Family of Katie Shapiro, Friend of Donna Gum
Family of Esther Dabney

Family of George Toop, Friend of David and Nancy Schwiesow Family of Michelle Matthews, Sister of Cindy Trauscht

<u>Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Throughout the Year</u> Sandy Knicely Jessi Blosser

Gwen Kite

The Needs of the World

The War between Russia and Ukraine for millions of refugees now in
Poland, Austria, etc.; for those
in combat; for peace

Our national conversation about abortion (see note in announcements)

Westminster and Grace's Congolese refugee family now in Waynesboro

The great increase in mental health cases in our nation

Famine in the Horn of Africa—27 million at risk

Extreme drought and extreme weather in the American West

Continued epidemic of mass shooting incidents in our nation, most recently 19 children and 2 adults in Texas

The increase of race-motivated violence

The Church

Pray for God's Plan for Grace: see the questions from our Strategic Planning Committee on p. 28.

Prayer for neighboring Lutheran congregations: St. James, Bethlehem, Zion and Bethany

Our Neighbors

Our neighbors on Arch Avenue,
Market Street and the YMCA.



Welcome to Worship!

- We will follow CDC "color" guidelines to determine masking at worship. If our area is in an Orange (high risk) condition, we will mask for worship.
- If we are in a Yellow (medium risk) or Green (low risk) condition: those
 who are not vaccinated or are immune-compromised are encouraged to
 mask, while those who are vaccinated and boosted are "mask optional,
 but welcome."
- This applies to Worship, Meetings, Classes, VMA, other users of the facility, etc.
- Covid Status As of Wednesday, Nelson County and Waynesboro are in "Green", low risk; Augusta and Staunton are in the "Yellow", medium risk.



In the Pastor's absence, if you need any type of support or are facing a crisis, please contact Church Council President, Robin Crowder (540.476.0180) or other members of Church Council. (The Council Person of the Week is listed with the week's worship assistants.)



Food Pantries - Thanks, and Continuing Need—Many thanks to those who have donated Peanut Butter, Mac 'n Cheese, Personal Hygiene items, and Dried Rice and Beans to our local food banks. We have made twenty-six deliveries thus far, twelve to Main Street United Methodist, and fourteen to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. Overall, we have given well over 2610 pounds of food! If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



A couple of reminders from the Church Office:

- Any additions, announcements, etc. need to be into the Church Office by Wednesday morning in order to be included in Sunday's bulletin. Bulletins are printed first thing Thursday.
- Any additions, announcements, etc. need to be into the Church Office by the 20th of the month in order to be included in the next month's Grace Notes
- When requesting prayers, whether on the announcement sheet on Sunday morning or by the Assisting Minister, please be sure to include who is requesting the prayers and their relationship



Worship at Barren Ridge—You are invited to join St. James Lutheran, Fishersville, and Bethlehem Lutheran, Waynesboro, for worship together outdoors at Barren Ridge winery on Sunday, July 10th, and Sunday, August 14th, at 11:00 a.m. Grace will have our regular services at 10:00 a.m. on both dates.



Grace Hiker Hostel is closing today after three successful weeks helping thru-hikers during the peak of the northbound AT season. Thank you, members of Grace, for your support: donated goodies, cooked meals, donated time, donated funds, etc. All is so much appreciated! Here are just two of the many comments left in the Hiker Book by hikers who passed through:

"The trail never stops giving what you need most. I passed by and ran in for rain cover and never knew the Hostel was here! I will stay a second night to nurse a sciatic problem that started near Damascus and a fall yesterday. What a lovely place and experience here." Mountain Drew, Bethlehem, PA

"Thank you for your Hostel ministry. Had to pull off for shin splints. Thanks to you I'm clean, safe and ready to move onward to home." Grandpa Hodag, Little Rock, AR



All God's Children Lending Library - Our lending library has found a new home in the LIBRARY near the History room. After the service today, join us as we go to the LIBRARY room. You can continue to borrow and return books there anytime. We'd love to hear your thoughts about the materials you've read and hope you will join us in taking the ELCA Anti-Racist Pledge. Get to know the treasures in the LIBRARY, including P. Buckley Moss. Contact the church office, Carolyn Barrette, Rick Bump, or Linda Meyer for more information.

AGC Book Selection—Discussion of Gorski & Perry's <u>The Flag and the Cross</u>, which explores White Christian Nationalism and the Threat to American Democracy, will begin on Monday, June 20th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room or Zoom if requested. All are welcome to join the discussion.



The Renewed Debate Over Abortion - You have, no doubt, seen the news stories about a leaked draft from the Supreme Court indicating a reversal of Roe vs. Wade. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, many years ago, put out a Social Statement about Abortion. You can find it at: www.elca.org by typing "abortion" in the "Search ELCA" box at the top of the page. In its opening page, the Statement says: "As ELCA social teaching [the Statement] draws upon this community's faith tradition that understands God's life-giving purposes as pressing "beyond the usual 'pro-life' versus 'pro-choice' language." Take a look at the ELCA document, and keep our Supreme Court, nation and women in your prayers.

Celebration of Life—The Family of Rick & Jane Glidden would like to invite their church family to join us in celebrating their memory, and all of the happiness and joy that they added to our lives. They both cherished their church family, and just as they would wish, there will be food and drink to accompany the fond memories, conversations & stories that will flow. This celebration will take place Saturday, July 23, 2022, 2:00—5:00 p.m. at Old Trail Golf Club, 5494 Golf Drive, Crozet, VA 22932. If you will be joining us, please RSVP by July 1, 2022 by phone (Joy) 410-274-2259 or email joyce.e.glidden@gmail.com



Monday

Proverbs 3:11-20 1 John 3:18—4:6 Matthew 11:1-6 Morning Psalm 57, Evening 85

Tuesday

Proverbs 4:1-27 1 John 4:7-21 Matthew 911:7-15 Morning Psalm 54, Evening 28

Wednesday

Proverbs 6:1-19 1 John 5:1-12 Matthew 11:16-24 Morning Psalm 65, Evening 125

Thursday

Proverbs 7:1-27 1 John 5:13-21 Matthew 11:25-30 Morning Psalm 143, Evening 81

Friday

Proverbs 8:1-21 2 John 1-13 Matthew 12:1-14 Morning Psalm 88, Evening 6

Saturday

Proverbs 8:22-36 3 John 1-15 Matthew 12:15-21 Morning Psalm 122, Evening 100



DAY OF WEEK	DATE	TIME	MEETING
Faller's Day	06/19	10:00 a.m. JUNETEENTH 10:50 a.m.	Second Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Mark Radecke Presiding and Preaching Coffee Fellowship via Zoom
		3:00 p.m.	Book Group for Women - Zoom
CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED	06/20	7:00 p.m.	All God's Children Book Study (Conference Room)
Tuesday	06/21	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting (Conference Room)
Wednesday	06/22	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group (Chapel)
		8:30 a.m.	Grace Walkers (Meet in Parking Lot)
Thursday	06/23	Noon	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
		7:00 p.m.	CCE&J Group Zoom
Saturday	06/25	10:00 a.m.	Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	06/26	10:00 a.m.	Third Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion In Person and via You Tube Pastor Mark Radecke Presiding and Preaching
		10:50	Coffee Fellowship via Zoom

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