

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Anglican Church of Canada



December 1, 2024

11 a.m.

Welcome! I am delighted to have you with us today for this service of worship. Please, stay awhile. Get to know us better. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

We at All Saints Cathedral Church, are a diverse lot, from many Christian backgrounds, non-Christian backgrounds, and no faith backgrounds. We come for Christian community, to find God in relationships with neighbours and new friends. We come for lessons from the incredible life of Jesus Christ. We come for spiritual rest, time to think, pray, and center on God, for comfort in hard times, and gratitude in good times. We come to serve God, each other, and the world. We're not perfect. We trust in God's gentle grace and unconditional love. We seek meaning for the life God has gifted us.

You are invited to God's table to receive communion (gluten free wafers are available). We welcome you, no matter who you are, or what you look like, or what labels the world puts on you. We welcome you if, like us, you struggle with flaws and imperfection but have a loving spirit and strive to let the light of Jesus shine within you and then to share it with others. We dare to welcome all because God, and not any human authority, extends this gracious invitation. If you wish not to receive Holy Communion you may still come forward for a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. You are also welcomed to remain seated during this time.

In this leaflet, you will find most everything you need to follow along throughout the service. Whether you have been attending the Cathedral Church your whole life or this is your first time here, you are invited to participate in the service as fully as you feel comfortable doing and are able to.

Peace and Joy,



Very Rev. Paul Smith,

Rector, and Dean of the Cathedral Church of All Saints

First Sunday of Advent

December 1

The Holy Eucharist

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

We begin by acknowledging that we are in Mi'kma'ki , the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) People first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

Introit The First & Second Great O Antiphons (*sung by the choir*) Plainsong
O Sapientia. O Wisdom, which camest out of the mouth of the Most High, and reachest from one end to another, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

O Adonai. O Adonai, and Leader of the House of Israel, who appearedst in the bush to Moses in a flame of fire and gavest him the Law on Sinai: Come and deliver us, with an out-stretched arm.

Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus

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STUTTGART

Lighting of the 1st Advent Candle—Hope

Reader One When I look around, I see shadows of hunger. So many neighbors, nearby and around the world, will go to bed hungry tonight...

Reader Two When I look around, I see shadows of injustice, the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer — and some one somewhere will fall asleep under a bridge tonight...

Reader One In the face of hunger, we light a candle of hope.

Reader Two In the face of injustice, in the face of despair, we light a candle of hope...

(Light the first candle in the Advent wreath.)

Reader One May the light from this candle overwhelm the world.

Reader Two May the light from this candle say to all that God's hope is coming, on earth as it already is in heaven.

All **Together: Friends, let us not be afraid, God's hope is at hand!**

Hymn

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O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 1 & 2)

VENI EMMANUEL

1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel!*

2 O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who orders all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel!*

The Gathering of the Community

The presiding celebrant greets the community

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

People **And also with you.**

The following prayer may be said.

Celebrant

All

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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. Amen.

Trisagion *Sviati Bozhe, Sviati krepki, Sviati bessmertni, pomiluy nas.*

(sung by the choir)

P. I. Tchaikovsky (1840-93)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal,
have mercy on us.
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and Holy Spirit,
both now, and for ever, world without end. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

All

Let us pray.
from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness.
Raise our heads in expectation,
so that we may yearn for the coming day of the Lord
and stand without blame before your Son, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Reader

A reading from Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9 (*Congregation reads the bold text*)

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my / trust in you;*
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph / over me.

Let none who look to you be / put to shame;*
let the treacherous be disappointed / in their schemes.

Show me your / ways, O Lord,*
and teach / me your paths.

Lead me in your / truth and teach me,*
For you are the God of my salvation;
In you have I trusted all / the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compas-/sion and love,*
for they are from / everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth
and / my transgressions;*
remember me according to your love
for the sake of your good-/ness, O Lord.

Gracious and upright / is the Lord;*
therefore he teaches sinners / in his way.

He guides the humble in / doing right*
and teaches his way / to the lowly.

All the paths of the Lord are / love and faithfulness*
to those who keep his covenant and his / testimonies.

The Second Reading:

Reader A reading from 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in

love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

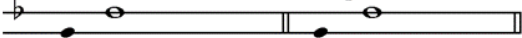
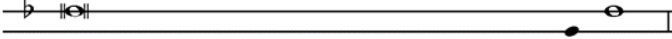

You Servants of the Lord

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NARENZA

Gospel Processional vv. 1—3

Responses before the Gospel

<i>Deacon</i>	<i>People</i>
	
<i>The Lord be with you.</i>	And also with you.
<i>Deacon</i>	
	
<i>The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.</i>	
<i>People</i>	
	
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.	

The Gospel

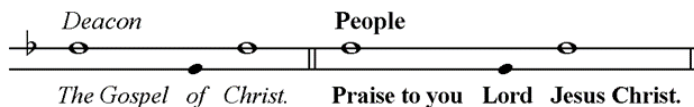
All stand for the Gospel.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the

worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

- Luke 21:25-36

Responses after the Gospel



Gospel Recessional vv. 4 & 5

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

The celebrant may invite the people, to join in the recitation of the creed.

Celebrant

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
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.
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 of the People

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites us to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,
All **we confess that 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 neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

(v.3 low voices; v.4 high voices)

The Celebration of the Eucharist


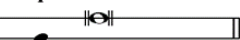
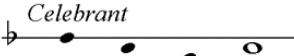

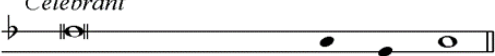

The Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared,

All God of love and power,
your word stirs within us
the expectation of the coming of your Son.
Accept all we offer you this day,
and sustain us with your promise of eternal life.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 3

<i>Celebrant</i>	People
	
<i>The Lord be with you.</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	People
	
<i>Lift up your hearts.</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	
	
<i>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</i>	
	People
	
It is right to give our thanks and praise.	

Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh,
and opened to us the way of salvation.
Now we watch for the day when he will come again

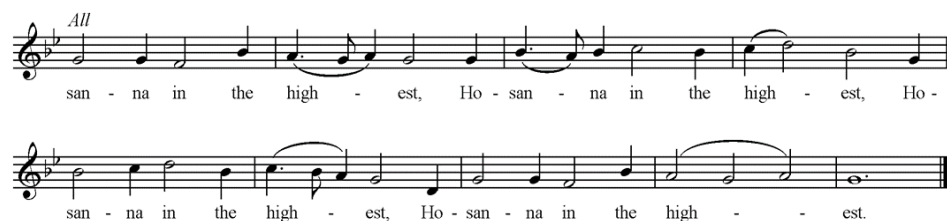
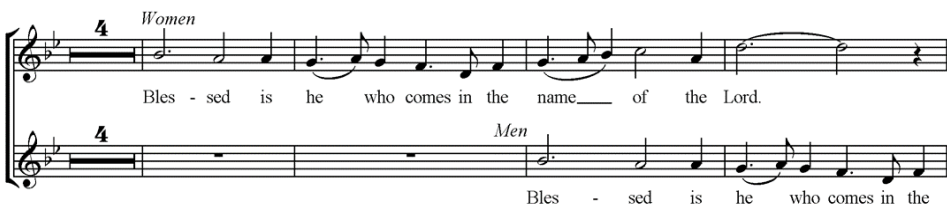
in power and great triumph to judge this world,
 that we, without shame or fear,
 may rejoice to behold his appearing.
 Therefore we praise you,
 joining our voices with angels and archangels
 and with all the company of heaven,
 who for ever sing this hymn
 to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

Advent Sanctus ('Nun komm der Heiden Heiland')

(Sung by all)

Trad. Lutheran; adapt. P. Halley



We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

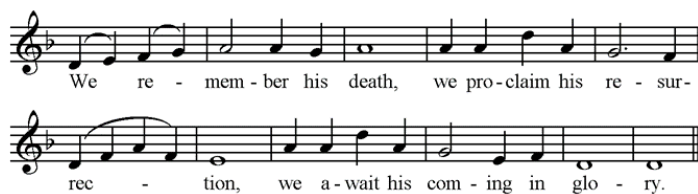
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
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, Father, according to his command,

All



Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, 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, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

People



Celebrant

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to pray,

All

**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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread for distribution

Celebrant

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion *(which may be prayed by those at home) **

Celebrant

Dear friends, I invite you in this moment,
wherever you may be,
to receive Christ, in communion with the saints,
and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet
present with us now.
May this prayer be of be of comfort to you:
Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.
You wait for me and only I can let you in.
I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill
me with your presence.
Feed me with your body and unite me in your
blood,
that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen

The Communion

ALL are invited to come forward to receive both Bread and Wine.

Gluten-free bread is available from those administering.

Wine is offered in individual cups

Communion Anthem E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

P. Manz (1919-2009)

1 Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

3 Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon
For Christ is coming soon!

2 Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord Almighty God,
Who was and is, and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord.

4 E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light, nor lamp, nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

Communion Hymn

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Creator of the Stars of Night

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Prayer after Communion

All **God for whom we wait,
you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.
Keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand before the Son of
man.
We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen**

Then the following doxology may be said.

Celebrant **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.**

All

Blessing

Celebrant

Go forth now to care for God's world.
Live in harmony with all creation. Go out into all
the world as prophets of a new way of living, and
preach the good news to all.
And the blessing of the Creator God, the Risen
Son, and the Promised Holy Spirit bless you that
you might be a blessing to others today and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

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"Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

WACHET AUF

Choral Benediction

JUDAH and Jerusalem fear not, nor be dismayed:
Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord he will be with you.
Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord:
Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord he will be with you.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord he will be with you!

Words: Final Responsory; Advent Sunday

Music: G. P. da Palestrina

Dismissal *by the Deacon*

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland
(*Come now, Saviour of the Nations*)

J. S. Bach (BWV 661)

The Postlude - You are invited to be seated during the postlude to pray or
simply to enjoy the music. Alternatively, you may depart in peace following
the Deacon's Dismissal.

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Advent & Christmas Worship (*with Ticketed Events*) **at the Cathedral**

Sunday, December 1 – Advent 1

9:30 am Contemporary Eucharist with Sunday School

11 am Choral Eucharist

4 pm Evensong & Investiture sung by Capella Regalis Men & Girls Choir

Sunday, December 8 – Advent 2

9:30 am Contemporary Eucharist with Sunday School

11 am Choral Eucharist

4 pm A Service of Readings & Music for the Season of Advent sung by the Cathedral Choir

Sunday, December 15 – Advent 3

10 am (combined Service) join us for our annual Christmas Pageant

4pm A Rose in Winter: *A celebration of Christmas in song and story.* (Ticketed event) Paul Halley directs members of The Choir of All Saints Cathedral in their third annual “**A Rose In Winter**” concert series. Tickets are available via [Eventbrite](#)

Sunday, December 22 – Advent 4

9:30 am Contemporary Eucharist

11 am Choral Eucharist

4pm A Chorister’s Christmas : Capella Regalis Men & Boys Choir
(Ticketed event) Directed by Nick Halley With Maritime Brass Quintet and Paul Halley (organ)
Tickets are available via [Eventbrite](#)

Tuesday, December 24

4 pm Friends and Family Christmas Celebration

7pm Choral Eucharist Sung by the Cathedral Choir Music by Gabrieli, Howells, Halley, Darke and Bach.

10:30 pm Christmas Eve Midnight Eucharist Service

Sung by the Cathedral Choir and Capella Regalis Men & Boys & Girls Choirs with The Maritime Brass Quintet At 10:30 p.m. The Maritime Brass Quintet and Paul Halley play music for brass and organ by Praetorius, Gabrieli, Bach and Brahms. This forms the Prelude to the service proper which begins at 11 p.m. The choirs, brass and organ offer anthems by Gabrieli, Rutter and Howells and the Missa Festiva by Gretchaninov. The service ends with Mulet’s “Carillon-Sortie” arranged for brass and organ.

Wednesday, December 25 **10 am** Holy Eucharist

Friday, December 27 **12noon** Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 29 **9:30 am** Contemporary Eucharist

11 am Eucharist

Wednesday, January 1 **7:30 am** New Year's Day Eucharist

DECEMBER OUTREACH:

ASK box collections:

Boot Box: there is a constant need for new children's boots; all winter wear always welcome

Boxes for recycled eye glasses and hearing aids are on the table by the main doors.

Toy Box: the annual St. Catherine's Group Christmas project for the Ward 5 Community Centre; unwrapped toys and make-up for teenagers welcome.

Soup-to-Doorstep: Do you know someone who is new to the community, welcoming a new baby, in distress for any reason, having difficulty getting around, or could use a gesture of care? The Soup-to-Doorstep team will deliver a warm jar of soup with a blessing. We would need an address and phone number OR you could just drop it off yourself. Contact heatheranne-carter@gmail.com or 902-835-2619 (please leave a message).

Drivers and soup makers are always appreciated. Next up is Dec. 2 (followed by Jan. 13).

Upcoming Events:

Friday afternoon coffee drop-in: Dec. 6, 1 to 3 p.m., in the church

Soup Kitchen: Dec. 7, 12 p.m. (sign up sheet at the church)

Sunday School fundraising bake sale: Dec. 8 in the church after the 9.30 a.m. service

St. Catherine's Group fundraising bake sale: Dec. 15 in the Great Hall after 10 a.m. joint service

Mission to Seafarers: The Sunday School is taking the lead on this; anyone wanting to donate items ([Christmas Shoebox Campaign – Mission To Seafarers Halifax](#)) or a packed box please drop off in the nursery

THIS YEAR's Christmas project is a Jesse tree, now at the back of the church; gifts go to Phoenix House and others in need. There is no stocking program this year.

LOOKING FOR: a PWRDF (Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) parish coordinator to raise awareness of the organization's ongoing work and emergency appeals.

Thank you! (an excerpt):

“On behalf of tenants and staff down at Herring Cove Apartments, I wanted to express our deepest gratitude for your donation of pepperoni pizza, garlic fingers, and two boxes of works pizza. Pizza is always a huge hit with everyone here, most of the slices were gone within the first hour! Your kindness brought smiles to many faces when it was heard what was for supper, we all truly appreciate All Saints Church for thinking of us.”

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

New Member Information Form

1. Please list the names of each family member in the space below:

SURNAME(s): _____

NAMES: _____

2. Please give your mailing address and telephone number:

3. Email address _____

☐ **check** here for permission to add your e-mail address to our mailing list. You will receive a bi-monthly listing of Cathedral events called **Cathedral Happenings** and weekly **Sundays @ the Cathedral** announcements.

4. Would you like Offering Envelopes or are you interested in Automatic Offering?

Envelopes: Yes ☐ No ☐

Automatic Offering Yes ☐ No ☐

**Please complete and return on the collection plate
or give to a Greeter. Thank you!**

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