



FOLLOW ME

AND I WILL
MAKE YOU
FISH FOR
PEOPLE

MARK 1:17

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: As we continue through the time after Epiphany, stories of the all to discipleship show us the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

Welcome all visitors! We welcome all who worship with us. May the joy of Christ's presence and the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with peace and hope! We are honored by your presence and trust that you will join us in the praise and worship of God. Please sign our guest book in the narthex. If you are interested in church membership, please give your name and telephone number to Pastor Rankin.

Welcome to the Eucharist! All who seek to follow Jesus and who seek the gifts Jesus offers us are invited to share in this sacrament of Holy Communion.

Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.

Prayer As You Enter: *Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

CALL TO WORSHIP

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Come, with undivided attention, to meet God, who calls you away from old routines.

Our souls wait for God in silence. We hope in God, our rock and our salvation.

Come without anxiety or fear, for God cares for you.

We come with devotion to our Sovereign, in whom time is fulfilled and life has meaning.

Enter the realm of God, which is here and now, as well as beyond time and place.

We pour out our hearts before God, whom we trust and honor.

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has come to us in Christ, but we often live as if it made no difference.

Let us confess our sins before God in silent prayer.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

God, our rock and refuge, we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

ACT OF PRAISE

O God, open my lips.

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Let us pray the collect together.

God, whose reign is nearer than we have realized, and whose realm is available to us even here and now, speak your invitation to use today in ways we have never fully heard before. Confront us again with the good news you want us to share. Enlist us in reaching out to the world with love and joy, so all may be saved from calamity and know the fulfillment you intend for every person; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Ninevah will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Ninevah repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

THE PSALTER

Psalm 62:5-12

For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath.
Put no confidence in extortion, and set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God, and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all according to their work.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

"The Unexpected Responses"

Pastor Rankin

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

U.C.C. STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to your deeds we testify:

You call the worlds into being, create persons in your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death.

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. You judge people and nations by your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior, you have come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to yourself.

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You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory.

You promise to all who trust you forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, your presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in your realm which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

PEOPLE'S OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

God of steadfast love, we pray that you will love the world through the offering we dedicate today. We pray that your work of transformation will be carried forward by our gifts. As a church, we seek to follow where Jesus leads. As individuals, we heed the call to discipleship. Bless our efforts to fish for people—for their sakes, not our own. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Mighty God, Wonderful Counselor, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. In ancient days, you created us in your image to be reflections of your glory. When we fell short and dimmed the brilliance of your light shining through us, you held our hands and walked with us out of the garden into all the corners of the earth. When we were afraid to look upon your glory, you came as a quiet traveler, as a burning bush, and as a pillar of light. You called us to be people of light, to walk no longer in darkness, and always, you light our way. Even when we walk in darkness, you shine your light and offer your grace, awaiting our return to you. In the

fullness of time, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to reveal your glory and grace. And so, with your people on earth and all the angels in heaven, we praise your holy name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God, Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE HOST & POURING OF THE CUP

As this grain was once scattered in the fields, and has come together in one bread, so we, with different needs and hopes, come together as one, for we share one bread.

The Bread of Life, broken for us.

The cup which we share is the cup of the New Covenant written in our hearts and witnessed by Jesus.

The Cup of Blessing, poured out for us and for the many.

(Those who wish to come forward will be invited by the pastor. The pastor will serve you the host, saying, "The Body of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" The assistant will present you with the cup, saying, "The Blood of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" Grape juice is in the chalice with the cross and wine is in the other chalice. If you need the pastor and assistant to come to you, please indicate that to someone near you or the pastor. If you do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements in the narthex and commune in your pew. The pastor will offer a blessing everyone has communed. Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.)

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

God our rock and deliverance, do not let your church be shaken. We trust you never abandon your promises to the most vulnerable among us. Give your church wisdom and empathy in its varied ministries. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God our hope and refuge, you placed the fish in the sea. Guide our care of oceans and all creatures that live in them. Hold us accountable for actions that endanger water sources and the people who depend on them. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God who proclaims judgment and offers mercy, be a model to the leaders of our nation and the world. As they lead, may they follow in your way of justice and truth. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God of resurrection and new life, as the first disciples shared the good news, empower us and this faith community to be open to your call. When we are uncertain of your call, assure us. When we have strayed from your ways, redirect us. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

God who cares for the suffering, care for survivors of assault and sexual abuse and sustain all who minister to them. Keep safe any who live under threat of violence, those living in poverty, and any among us who are ill or in pain. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

Arise, and go forth to shine for all the world to see.

We go to spread the good news of light and love, righteousness and justice.

May the blessing of the God of light rest upon you and fill you with light.
Amen.

★ **CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY** ★

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Sandy DeLong** in celebration of the birthdays of George DeLong on January 29th & George's sister, Jodi Keller, on January 17.

The Worship Aids are given by **Kayla & John Brennan** in honor of healthcare workers who work weekends to care for our loved ones.

Ministering Today

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Lector/Assistant	Diane Rice
Money Counters	Nevin Cooley, John Bailey, Pat Sensenig, Karen Olley
Altar Guild	Karen Olley, Beth Bossert
Building Trustee	Mike Wagner
Koinonia	Rankin, Kopp
Ministries	Card Christian Education Committee (Bob Kilgore) Called to Care Anne Rankin Visitation Sue Bowman

This Week at Trinity Church

(Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Monday	1:30 PM -7:00 PM – Choir/8:15 PM Bells
Wednesday	7:00 PM – Christian Ed.
Thursday	6:00 PM – Cub Scouts
Saturday	8:00 AM-2 PM – Pinewood Derby 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA
Sunday	7:45 AM – Eucharist 9:00 AM – Sunday School 10:00 AM - Koinonia 10:30 AM – Worship 12 Noon – Celebration Luncheon

Happy Birthday

Monday – Sandra Garrett

Wednesday – Chad DeLong

Saturday – Doug Shaab

Attendance for Sun., Jan. 14

7:45–12 10:30–63 TOTAL – 75

Sunday School

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PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman

Leo Daly

Hedwig Hunsicker

Michael McDonough

John Shelsky

Scott & Jane Owens

Don & Pat Miller

Nancy Patton

Dr. Janet Harriger

The Lehman family

Joann Peck

Harry Himelwright

Donna Wolf & Family

Shelly Family

Mary Lou Shaab

Stan & Pat Seachrist

Donna Zirkel

Carmen & Jerry Richards

Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley

Sam Minder III

Lainie Christensen

Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser

Hank Fox

Pastor Harry Royer

Betty Tyndall and family

Mary Witmer

Bob & Marlyn Wible

Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline

Erika Otthofer

Kathleen Sensenig Adams

Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman

Ron Becker

Danielle Huggins Holbein

Joann & Dawn Garvin

The Fischer Family

Dr. Blaine Connor

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The family of Bill Zahm (brother of Phyllis Zimmerman)

The family of Larry Gerlach (brother of Dolly Barr)

Annette Stork (niece of Pat Sensenig)

Logan Davis (husband of Hillary Bossert-Davis)

Jean Weglarz (neighbor of Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline)

Dan Doughton (Family friend of John and Sarah Paulukow)

Melby Bush (friend of Joan Sensenig)

Harvey & Dianne Sick (friends of Judy Chapman)

Aaron Flickinger (nephew of Pat & Joan Sensenig)

Deb Olley Heagy (daughter of Jack & Karen Olley)

The Haverstick Family (friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Tom Riley (friend of Bud McCarty)

Rev. Loy Garber (former seminarian)

Roland Anderson and family (friends of John & Kayla Brennan)

Jaden Allen (nephew of Carol Kratz)

Gina McCarty (daughter-in-law of Bud & Kathy McCarty)

The Bruno family (friends of Blaine Connor)

Jessica Brown (niece of Mike & Shelley Wagner)
Janice Zimmerman (sister of Ken Zimmerman)
John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)
Kelly Quick (friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)
Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)
James Malone & family
Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)
Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens)
Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)
Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig),
Don Pfeifer (husband of Denise Pfeifer)
Jake & Jean Otthofer (parents of Dan Otthofer)
The Martin family
Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards)
Ronald Himelwright (grandson of Brenda & Harry Himelwright)
Barry Richards (son of Jerry & Carmen Richards)
Tyler Miller (grandson of Iris DeMaio)
Joan Kalbach (mother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)
Jim & Kathy Long (friends of Jerry & Carmen Richards)
John Siebern (Bob Siever's brother-in-law)
Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

THE JANUARY PARISH POST is available in the information racks on both floors of the church building.

DEVOTIONALS: The January-March edition of These Days are available on the table across from the church office or on the lower level by the portico entrance.

2023 CELEBRATION: Join us after the 10:30 service on January 28 for a luncheon and celebration of our ministry in 2023. The Parish Life Committee is planning a short program as we look back over the past year in our annual reports and through a video slideshow. Look for more details about the luncheon in the bulletins. A sign-up sheet is available on the table across from the church office.

COMMUNITY MEAL: A community meal will be held at First Reformed in Lancaster on January 23rd. There is a signup sheet on the table outside the church office for donations. All contributions must be delivered to our church by Sunday, January 21. Additionally, folks are welcome to donate grocery gift cards that can be used to supply community meals.

LEADERSHIP SEMINAR: The Pastor/Parish Committee is working with the Samaritan Counseling Center to provide a leadership seminar on effective communication to be held on Saturday, February 3 (snow date is February 10). This is for members of Consistory and the various committees/boards. We are planning to meet in Isenberg Hall at 9:00 a.m. and will be finished by noon. Look for the sign-up sheet across from the church office and watch for more details in the bulletins and the February Parish Post.

2024 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: February 4, 11, 18 & 25. Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are February 4, 18 & 25. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Look for the charts on the bulletin board in the narthex or call Carol in the church office.

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available on the table across from the church office. Please help us by delivering envelopes to some of our homebound members!

GRIEF GROUPS: Prior to the pandemic, Pastor Chris was hoping to form some small groups to look at issues of grief. Please contact him or Carol Kratz if you are interested in participating in one of the groups!

CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY: The Evangelism Committee is in need of more volunteers to provide meals for our members! If you are interested, speak with Pastor Chris!

KOINONIA/SUNDAYMORNING FELLOWSHIP: We have resumed koinonia (community fellowship) every Sunday at 10 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments and drinks/coffee. The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen coordinator. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes. Coffee is always available between 7:45 service and Sunday School.

175TH HISTORICAL DISPLAY AND INFORMATION

We have moved the historical displays from Isenberg Hall to different parts of the building so that you can see them as you come and go on a Sunday morning or throughout the week.

You will also find copies of the 175th Historical Book, the Trinity Prayer Book, a booklet of letters sent to us for the anniversary, anniversary pens and magnets on the table across from the elevator on the second floor.



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<h1>THANK YOU</h1> <h2>FOR YOUR SUPPORT!</h2>  TRINITY PRESCHOOL SUB SALE <p>We would like to thank you for supporting our fund raiser. When you redeem your coupon at S. Clyde Weaver you get to choose from at least seven sub varieties:</p> <p>Sweet Bologna • Ham • Italian • Turkey Roast Beef • Chicken Salad • Tuna Salad</p> <p>The above is a list of what you can order at Weavers</p> <p>Locations: 5253 Main Street, East Petersburg, PA/ 1509 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA /Lancaster Central Market</p>		<p>Each Sub Redemption Certificate: \$8.00</p> <p>* Please note you have to go to Weaver's location to order & pickup Subs.</p> <p>BREAD OPTIONS: white sub roll • bread • tortilla wrap</p> <p>CHOICE OF YOUR CONDIMENTES: mayonnaise • mustard • creamy horseradish • olive oil • vinegar</p> <p>CHEESE OF YOUR CHOICE: American • Provolone • Swiss</p> <p>YOUR CHOICES OF VEGETABLES: lettuce • tomatoes • onions • marinated onions • sweet peppers banana peppers • hot peppers • black olives • pickles salt • pepper • herb mix • Parmesan</p>		
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8 sub certificates are left!

LIFE LINE SCREENING, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Trinity United Church of Christ on **Saturday, March 2, 2024**. A package of four screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered: **Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque), Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA), Atrial Fibrillation.**

These 4 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-844-591-7160, text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or online at <https://lisa.social/>

Come enjoy choirs, instrumentalists and other musical groups representing various UCC congregations in the Lancaster Association for our first ever



Music Fair

*Presented by the Mission and Ministry
Team of the Lancaster Association-UCC*

February 4th, 2-4pm

at Church of the Apostles, Lancaster

At 2pm, come enjoy snacks and fellowship time
while our performers set up and warm up.
The program will begin at 2:30pm.

This event is free of charge and open to the public.

Come celebrate the gift of music in our congregations!



*If you would like to perform at the fair
please contact Rev. Brad Haws
at revhaws@ptd.net.
The sign up deadline is January 29th.*

**SPEAK TO DIANE RICE, A MEMBER OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE,
FOR MORE INFORMATION!!!**

THE MEN OF TRINITY (M.O.T.) BREAKFAST: The men will be meeting in February 17 at 8:00 AM at Family Fare Restaurant. There is a sign-up sheet across from the church office.

THE PRAYER SHAWL will meet Tuesday, February 20th from 1:00-3:00 PM. They will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month! Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.



TRINITY'S MEALS WITH A MISSION
February 11, 2024



Trinity will again be preparing/assembling meals for some of our members on Sunday, February 11. We will meet after the second service to prepare the meals - it should take about an hour.

If you are able to help out with the assembly or delivery of the meal, please sign up on the sheets in the Narthex! Hands of all sizes are welcome to help.

If you have questions, contact Deb Lichtenwalner-717-203-9506 or deblich@comcast.net.

LOVE SUNDAY/SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: Trinity will celebrate "Love Sunday" and the "Souper Bowl of Caring" on February 11, 2024. We will collect canned goods and money for the Hempfield Power Packs. The **Peanut Butter** (they are paying nearly \$2 a jar through the Central PA Food Bank)

Soup – Tomato, Chicken Noodle, Cream of Chicken or Cream of Mushroom
Macaroni and Cheese

Pasta (1lb – elbow, spaghetti, penne, etc)

Tuna

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Psalm 62:5-12**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though

they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Next Sunday's Readings: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28.

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