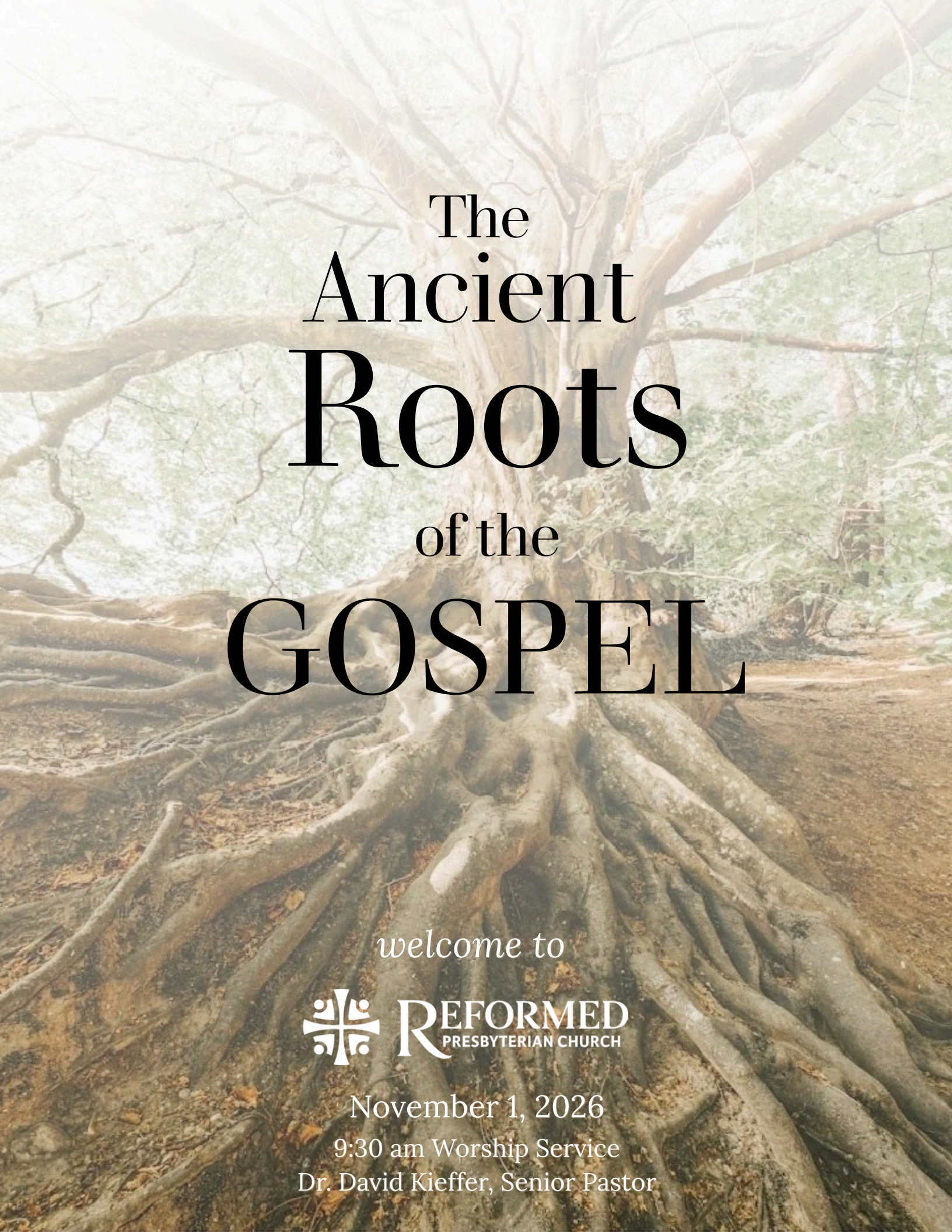


The Ancient Roots of the GOSPEL

welcome to

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 1, 2026

9:30 am Worship Service

Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor

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Multiplying disciples one life at a time

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Welcome Visitors! We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning!
Hearing Devices are available at the sound booth.

Today's Speaker: Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor
Worship Leader: Nick Crowther, Ruling Elder
Organist: Courtney Brooke

Childcare: Our ushers will be happy to direct you to any of these locations.
Nursery: during the worship service for infants through 3 years old in Room 103 (includes a **Nursing Mother's Room:** private room with a livestream of service).
Family Room: to see and hear the service; located across from Nursery; and the narthex classroom where service is projected for families that need some privacy.
Children's Worship: provided each Sunday (except first Sunday of each month) for children 4-6 years old. Children are dismissed before the sermon.
Children's sermon papers and activities: located at shelf in back of sanctuary.



Amen Bingo: Children, please take a Bingo sheet from the shelf in the back of the sanctuary and cross off the words you hear during the service. Prize at end of service for five in a row.

Sunday School:
Nursery (birth-2 years old): Nursery Room 103
Toddler Class (2.5-3 years old): Nursery Room 101
Pre-K/K Class (4-5 years old): 2nd floor, Room 208
Beginners Class (6 years old): Room 204
Early Elementary Class (7 years old): Room 201
Middle Elementary Class (8 years old): Room 203
Upper Elementary Class (9-10 years old): Room 211
Jr. High (6th-8th grade): Room 213
Sr. High (9th-12th grade): Room 214

CAFE Class for adults:
New Members class on the 2nd floor in Room 212. Participation in the class does not obligate you to become a member. **Bible Study Skills** on the 3rd floor.

PRELUDE *Voluntary in G* / D. Crouse
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (Hymn 598)/ arr. D. Dahl

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD Adapted from Isaiah 1 (ESV)

Leader: Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the Lord has spoken: "Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me."

People: If the Lord of hosts had not left us a few survivors, we should have been like Sodom and become like Gomorrah.

Leader: [The Lord said] "When you come to appear before me, who has required of you this trampling of my courts? Bring no more vain offerings. When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; [for] your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression.

People: Give us clean hearts, Oh God, that we may worship you in Spirit and truth.

◊ A time of quiet preparation

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF REPENTANCE *God, Be Merciful to Me*

ASSURANCE OF GRACE: Isaiah 1:18-20 (ESV)

Leader: "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

***WE CONFESS OUR FAITH**

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell[1]. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic[2] church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

[1]meaning *the God-forsaken state of Jesus in his suffering, death, and burial*. [2]meaning *universal*

***WE EXALT OUR LORD** *Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*

WORSHIP SONGS *Holy Forever*

Revelation Song

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE Prayers of God's People

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Unison: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/CHORAL OFFERTORY *Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 18:16-33 (ESV)

[16]Then the men set out from there, and they looked down toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to set them on their way. [17]The Lord said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, [18]seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

[19]For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household
after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing righteousness and justice, so
that the Lord may bring to Abraham what he has promised him." [20]Then the
Lord said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and
their sin is very grave, [21]I will go down to see whether they have done
altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will
know." [22]So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham
still stood before the Lord. [23]Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you
indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? [24]Suppose there are fifty
righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it
for the fifty righteous who are in it? [25]Far be it from you to do such a thing, to
put the righteous to death 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?" [26]And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will
spare the whole place for their sake." [27]Abraham answered and said, "Behold,
I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes.
[28]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." [29]Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He
answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." [30]Then he said, "Oh let not
the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He
answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." [31]He said, "Behold, I have
undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He
answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." [32]Then he said, "Oh
let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are
found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." [33]And
the Lord went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and
Abraham returned to his place.

SERMON **Where Have All the Good Men Gone?**
Genesis series: The Ancient Roots of the Gospel
Dr. David Kieffer

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PREPARATION
THE INVITATION
THE BREAD AND THE CUP *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

Please Note: An elder is available in the rear of the sanctuary during communion to pray with you regarding any needs or issues in your life. On odd-numbered months we go forward; on even-numbered months we remain seated for communion.

Both wine and juice are offered. Clear cups in the outer rim of the communion tray contain grape juice. All other (pink) cups contain wine.

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **500** *Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me*

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Song Lyrics

God, Be Merciful to Me

1. God, be merciful to me; On thy grace I rest my plea
Plenteous in compassion thou, Blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within; Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

2. My transgressions I confess; Grief and guilt my soul oppress.
I have sinned against thy grace, And provoked thee to thy face.
I confess thy judgement just; Speechless, I thy mercy trust.

5. Gracious God, my heart renew, Make my spirit right and true.
Cast me not away from thee, Let thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, Steadfast make my willing heart.

6. Sinners then shall learn from me, And return, O God, to thee
Savior all my guilt remove, And my tongue shall sing thy love
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, And my mouth shall praise accord.

God, Be Merciful to Me, Words from The Psalter, Psalm 51:1-15, Music by Richard Redhead, ©Public domain CCLI License 79597

Hosanna, Praise Is Rising

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day
In Your presence all our fears are washed away,
washed away

Hosanna, Hosanna You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises Hosanna, Hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

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Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna

Songwriters: Paul Baloche / Brenton G. Brown
Hosanna lyrics © Capitol Christian Music Group

Holy Forever

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions, All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!"
You are lifted high – Holy, Holy forever
Hear Your people sing, "Holy!" To the King of Kings, "Holy!"
You will always be Holy - Holy forever

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We'll sing the song forever and amen

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!"
You are lifted high – Holy, Holy forever Hear Your people sing, "Holy!"
To the King of Kings, "Holy!" You will always be Holy - Holy forever

Your name is the highest, Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions, All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all (repeat)

And the angels cry, "Holy!" All creation cries, "Holy!"
You are lifted high – Holy, Holy forever Hear Your people sing, "Holy!"
To the King of Kings, "Holy!" You will always be Holy - Holy forever
You will always be Holy - Holy forever

Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Holy, holy is He. Sing a new song
to Him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Holy, holy is He. Sing a new song
to Him who sits on heaven's mercy seat.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.
You are my everything, and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color,
Flashes of lighting, rolls of thunder,
Blessing and honor, strength and
glory and power be to You, the only wise King.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.
You are my everything, and I will adore You.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder,
at the mention of Your name.
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water,
such a marvelous mystery!

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.
You are my everything, and I will adore You.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.
You are my everything, and I will adore You.

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How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That he should give his only Son,
And make a wretch his treasure.

How great the pain of searing loss,
The father turns his face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen one,
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross,
My sin upon his shoulders,
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held him there
Until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast of anything
No gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.

Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

500 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me, Words by Augustus M. Toplady, alt by Thomas Cotterill, Music by James Ward
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