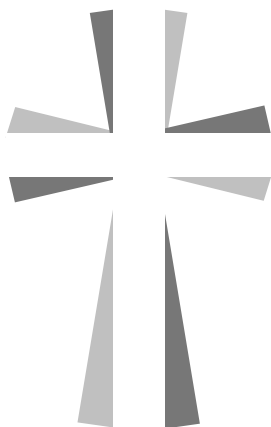


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JANUARY 1, 2023

Honor God.
Welcome All.
Embody Christ's Reign.

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 1, 2023

Second Sunday of Christmas

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Rev. Mitchell Carter

PASTOR: Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

PEOPLE: **Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!**

PASTOR: God is Spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in Spirit and Truth. Come therefore, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker, who has shone his saving light to the nations. Christ is born!

PEOPLE: **Glorify him!**

From Psalm 67:3, John 4:24 and Psalm 95:6

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn of Adoration

"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

Confession of Sin

PASTOR: Let us now confess our sins:

ALL: Our God and Creator, we come before you and confess that we have sinned in all kinds of ways against you and our neighbors. We have not only sinned in obvious and outward ways, but we have also sinned by internal pride and distrust, impatience and hatred, greed and jealousy, lust and selfish ambition, as well as many other evils. You know our sins, O Lord, and that we deserve condemnation for every one of them.

Yet, you are merciful to those who repent and trust in your Son. Forgive us because of the righteousness of Jesus. And, by the power of your Holy Spirit, help us walk in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Song of Confession

"Trisagion"

*Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

PASTOR: Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD; though your sins be like scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Isaiah 1:18

ALL: Christ our God has come in the flesh! Hallelujah! Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, new creation! The old has passed away, behold, the new has come!

2 Corinthians 5:17

***Extending God’s Welcome of Peace**

PASTOR: The peace of Christ be with you!
PEOPLE: And also with you!

***Song of Renewal** “Angels We Have Heard on High”

COMMITTING TO GOD’S KINGDOM

***Confession of Faith**

PASTOR: Christian, what is your only comfort in life and death?
ALL: That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Heidelberg Catechism #1

Kingdom Reading Brent & Alicia Pierce

Psalm 148

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God!

Hebrews 2:10-18

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Intercession *(followed by a season of silent prayer)*

Common Prayer

PASTOR: Let us now join our voices together praying:
ALL: Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your Incarnate Word; Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Kingdom Giving & Meditation “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

***Doxology**

SERMON NOTES

“THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST”

COLOSSIANS 1:24-2:5

I. FILLING WHAT IS LACKING

II. WHAT MYSTERY?

III. GLORIOUS RICHES

MEMBER/GUEST INFO

Please fill in form and place in the offering plate or box in the foyer. Thank you!

Name _____

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☐ I would like more information about Trinity Presbyterian Church.

☐ *I want to receive the weekly E-news.

FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

Celebration of Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

PASTOR: It is indeed good, right and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. And we praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, by whom you have sent a new Light to shine upon the world, that we who rejoice in that light may be found cleansed from our sins and without fear when he shall come again to judge the world in righteousness. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing...

ALL: **Holy, Holy, Holy...**

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Response of the People

PASTOR: Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

PEOPLE: **Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

ALL: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!**

PASTOR: And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say:

ALL: **Our Father...**

PASTOR: The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

Prayer Request

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

“The Mystery of Christ”

Colossians 1:24-2:5

LeeEric Fesko, Director of Discipleship, Christ Presbyterian Church (Nashville)

(See insert for Sermon Notes)

FEASTING AT GOD’S TABLE

Holy Communion (see insert)

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust in Christ for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from receiving communion until they are received as communing members by the session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The **clear** cups contain wine and the **purple** cups contain grape juice. The communion bread in the purple cups is gluten free.

Song of Communion

“The First Noel”

GOING OUT WITH GOD’S BLESSING

***Song of Sending**

“In Christ Alone”

***The Sending**

PASTOR: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. *1 Peter 2:9*

PEOPLE: **With the Lord’s help we will do this!**

***Benediction**

PASTOR: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *2 Corinthians 13:14*

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

***Postlude**

Musician: Jackie Pasarilla

Song Leaders: Kimberly Robertson, Paul Shearer

*The Congregation stands

This Week at TPC...January 1, 2023

Monday Church office closed

Upcoming Events/Announcements

Christian Education (Sundays, 11:00-noon) - We will resume classes next Sunday, January 8. If you would like to join us or you would like any of the resources from the adult CE's 2nd-3rd Century Church class, please email Pastor Mitchell at mitchell@trinitymboro.com.

School of Theology (Sundays, 3:00-4:15 p.m.) - We will resume next Sunday, January 8 looking at the Work of Christ. If you would like to join us or you would like any of the recordings or resources from previous classes, please email Pastor Mitchell at mitchell@trinitymboro.com. You can also visit our webpage for the schedule and more information under the Christian Formation tab.

Women's Bible Studies this Spring - Ladies, we will be having two women's Bible studies again this Spring. Please email office@trinitymboro.com to RSVP or for more information.

Tuesday evenings: Lauren Carter will be hosting a study beginning on Tuesday, January 17 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at her house. This study will be following along with Paige Brown who is sharing her study on the book of James via live stream each week. Paige is a sister from West End Community Church (PCA) in Nashville. The live stream posts on Wednesday mornings, so you'll have a week to listen to the lesson, and then Tuesday nights we will discuss some study questions and spend time in fellowship together. Children are welcome.

Thursday mornings: Lynda Wambles will be leading a class on the study of The Providence of God as inspired by a study of the Book of Esther that will begin on Thursday, January 12 from 9:30-11:00 a.m. This will be a 10-week study meeting at the church. Study materials will be provided at no cost.

Poinsettias - If you purchased a poinsettia(s), please feel free to take them home today.

2022 Stewardship Giving (as of 12.9.22)	YTD	Budget	% of Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 446,572	\$525,000	85.1%
Designated Giving and Events	\$ 3,941	\$ 1,025	384.5%
Building Fund-Contributed & Pledged	\$ 34,595	\$ 31,841	108.6%
Operating Expenses	\$ 409,232	\$ 475,057	86.1%
Budgeted Tithes and Offerings	\$ 491,918		

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Guests! We are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. It is our hope that worship is an encouragement to you and that you will have opportunity to return soon. Please take time to fill out the Guest Info Slip on the insert and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer. If you have any questions about our church, feel free to email our church administrator, April Lafrenz at office@trinitymboro.com or Pastor Mitchell at mitchell@trinitymboro.com

Located in the front foyer, our Welcome Center has resources available such as weekly sermon manuscripts, ministry brochures, sign-ups, and our most current church member directory. There are also Bibles for use on the side table including large print editions.

Hearing Assistive Devices are available at the sound booth.

Church Leadership

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Dan Widener

*Deacon on duty today

†Not currently on the Session

TPC Family, please know that if you are in need of physical or financial help, let our deacons know by reaching out to them personally or by emailing the chair of the Diaconate, Charles McGaughy, at deacons@trinitymboro.com. And if you are in need of counsel or prayer, please let our elders know by reaching out personally or emailing Mitchell, who is the moderator of the Session, at mitchell@trinitymboro.com.

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Angels From The Realms Of Glory

Text by James Montgomery Music by Henry T. Smart
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1. An - gels from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
2. Shep - herds, in the field a - bid - ing, Watch - ing o'er your flocks by night,
3. Sa - ges, leave your con - temp - la - tions, Bright - er vis - ions beam a - far;
4. Saints, be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, Watch - ing long in hope and fear;

The first system of the musical score is in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. It features a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of two flats and a 4/4 time signature. The bass staff has a key signature of two flats and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry Now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth.
God with man is now re - sid - ing; Yon - der shines the in - fant Light:
Seek the great De - sire of na - tions; Ye have seen His na - tal star.
Sud - den - ly the Lord, des - cend - ing, In His tem - ple shall ap - pear.

The second system of the musical score continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Come and wor - ship, come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new-born King!

The third system of the musical score concludes the piece. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Trisagion (Holy God)

Words from Traditional Greek Orthodox liturgical text

Music by Fernando Ortega

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The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, often beamed together in groups of four. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span multiple notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a final double bar line and repeat dots.

Ho - - - ly God,

ho - ly and might - - y,

ho - - - ly im - mort - al One, have

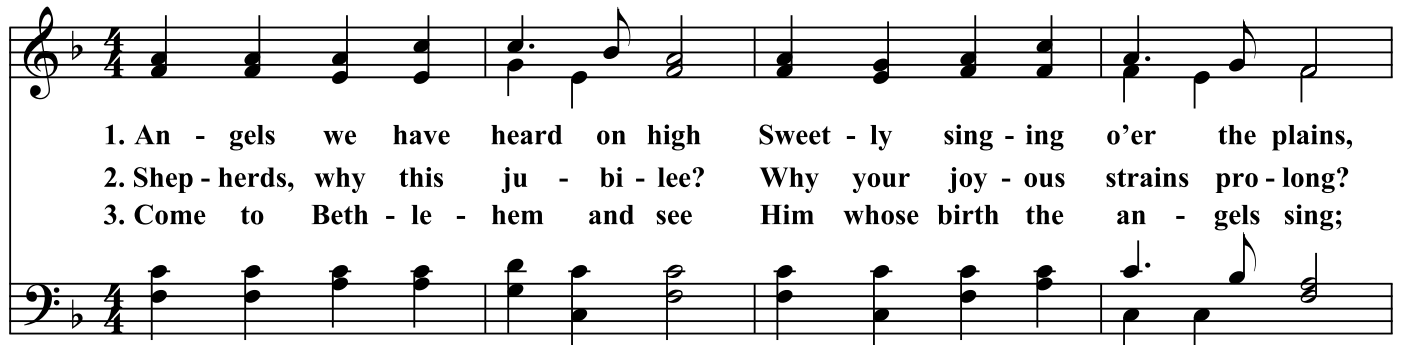
mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.

Holy God,
Holy and mighty,
Holy immortal One,
Have mercy,
Have mercy,
Have mercy...

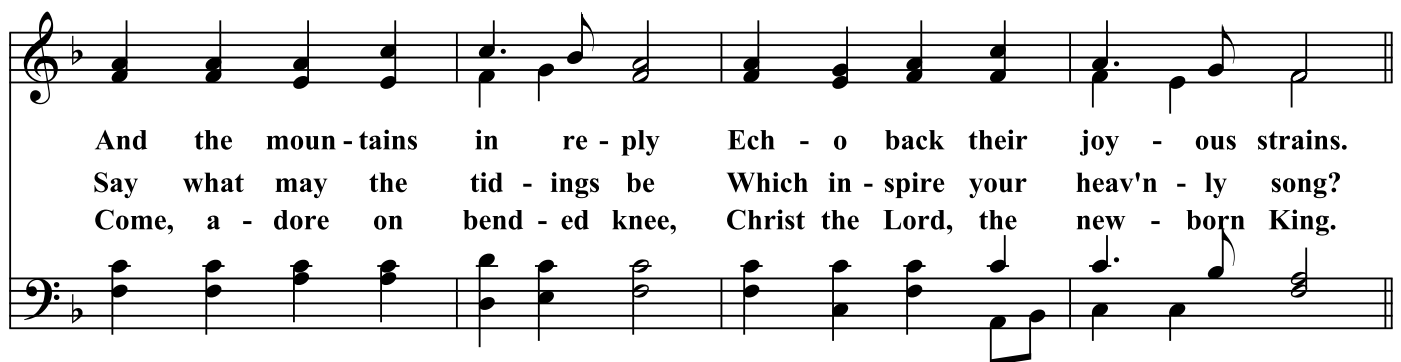
Have mercy,
Have mercy on us.

Angels We Have Heard On High

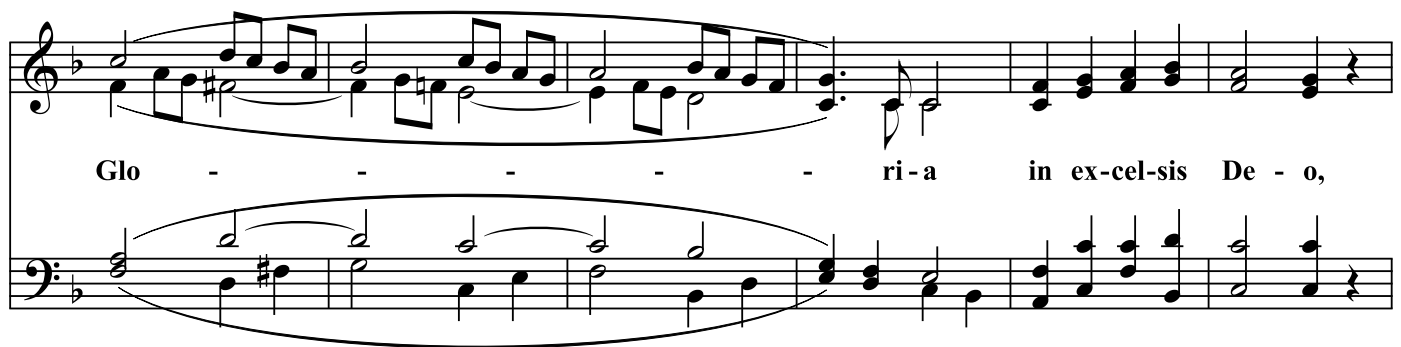
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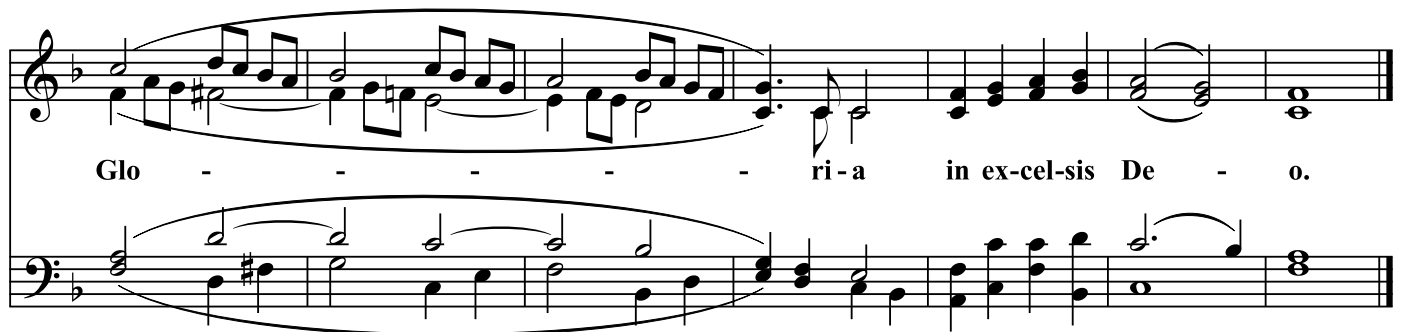
1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;



And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
Say what may the tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee, Christ the Lord, the new - born King.



Glo - - - - ri - a in ex-cel-sis De - o,



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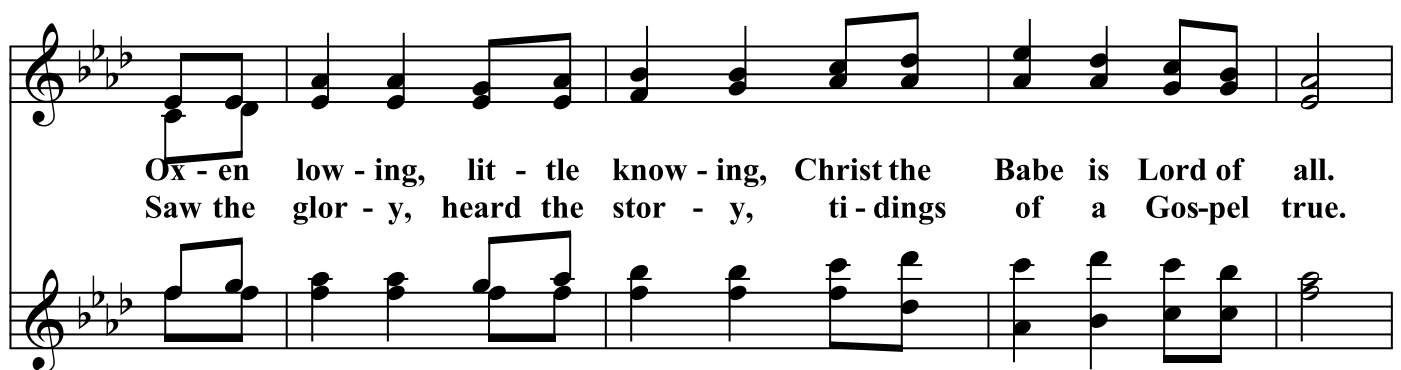
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Traditional Polish carol

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1. In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, for His bed a cat - tle stall;
2. Flocks were sleep-ing, shep-herds keep-ing vi-gil till the morn-ing new



Ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing, Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
Saw the glor - y, heard the stor - y, ti - dings of a Gos-pel true.



Swift are wing-ing an - gels sing-ing, no-els ring-ing, ti - dings bring-ing:
Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor-row, praises voic-ing, greet the mor - row:



Christ the Babe is Lord of all, Christ the Babe is Lord of all.
Christ the Babe was born for you. Christ the Babe was born for you.

The First Noel

Traditional



1. The First Noel, the Angels did say Was to
2. And by the light of that same star The
3. Then let us all with one accord Sing

cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay. In fields where
Wise men came from coun - try far To seek for a
prais - es to our heav - en - ly Lord That hath made

they lay keep - ing their sheep On a cold win - ter's night that
King was their in - tent And to fol - low the star wher -
Heav'n and earth of nought And with his own blood our sal -

was so deep. No - el, No - el, No - el, No - el
ev - er it went.
va - tion has bought.

Born is the King of Is - - ra - el!

In Christ Alone

Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty
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1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my
song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the
fier - cest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of
peace when fears are stilled, when stri-vings cease! My com-for - ter, my All in
All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone! Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied,
My ev'ry sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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