

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 1, 2021 9:30 A.M.

WELCOME! We are delighted to have you worship with us. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to share ours. Please sign our "Friendship Register" providing the requested information.

A NURSERY FOR CHILDREN 4 years old and under is provided during worship services.

For those remaining in the sanctuary, Quiet Bags filled with activities are hanging on the coat racks in the Narthex. Parents of young children are invited to pick up a bag at the beginning of the service. Ushers can direct you to their location. Children's bulletins containing activities related to the day are also available from the ushers.

ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS ARE WELCOME TO THE FEAST AT THE LORD'S TABLE.

If you are unable to come forward for communion, please notify an usher so that communion may be brought to you at your seat. If you are unable to receive either the bread or wine, please be assured that the fullness of our Lord's presence is complete in either element alone. Gluten-free wafers are available; please let the communion server know of your need. Young children who commune should be assisted by their parents

A PRAYER BOX is located in the Narthex for any Prayer Requests that you might have.

PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR in this bulletin for a listing of events taking place at Good Shepherd this week. There is also a monthly calendar on the web page at <u>www.gslc.com</u>.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP, our services are live-streamed and archived for viewing at other times. See the web page at www.gslc.com for links to these services.

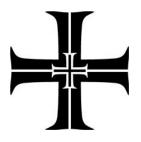
THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD PANTRY collects non-perishable food items throughout the month with special emphasis on collection the third Sunday of every month. It is open for distribution Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH FAMILY, especially those you have not seen for a while. Send a card, make a phone call, or pay a visit. Let them know we love and care for them and wish them God's blessings.

WE WELCOME PASTOR RICK CARTER - While Pastor Andrew is on vacation today, we welcome Pastor Rick Carter, Assistant to the Bishop of the South Carolina Synod, as our presiding minister.

PASTOR ANDREW ON VACATION JULY 31 - AUGUST 8 - In case of emergency during this time, members should contact Rev. Jesse Canniff-Kuhn at 803-603-4424. He is the Campus pastor at USC and at the Seminary.

THE CHURCH OFFICE is closed on Saturdays and Sundays. Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. In the event of an emergency, call the church office at (803) 787-4413.



+ ORDER OF WORSHIP +

+ GATHERING +

As we gather for worship, please be aware of those around you who may be in a time of quiet reflection before the service starts. Please remember to silence any electronic devices.

PRELUDE

ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER GLADLY

CALLAHAN, SIMS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS Congregation stands.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.** The congregation stands and turns to face the cross in procession, reminding us that Christ leads us into the presence and love of God.

GATHERING HYMN 461

- All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
 Come from restlessness and roaming.
 Here in joy we keep the feast.
 We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
 Taste and see the grace eternal.
 Taste and see that God is good.

ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER GLADLY

All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here in peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

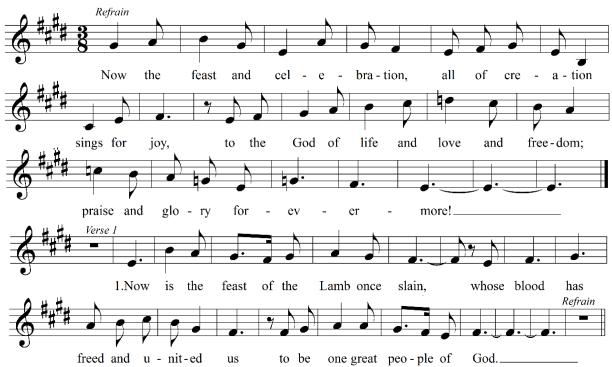
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GREETING

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING Congregation sits.

A reading from Exodus.

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." ⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not." ⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness,

EXODUS 16:2-4, 9-15

and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'" ¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 78:23-29 Congregation sings the verses in bold print.

²³So God commanded the ¹ clouds above and opened the ¹ doors of heaven,
²⁴raining down manna upon ¹ them to eat and giving them ¹ grain from heaven.
²⁵So mortals ate the ¹ bread of angels; God provided for them ¹ food enough.
²⁶The LORD caused the east wind to blow ¹ in the heavens and powerfully led out ¹ the south wind,
²⁷raining down flesh upon ¹ them like dust and flying birds like the sand ¹ of the seas,
²⁸letting them fall in the midst ¹ of the camp and round a- ¹ bout the dwellings.
²⁹So the people ate and ¹ were well filled, for God gave them ¹ what they craved.

SECOND READING

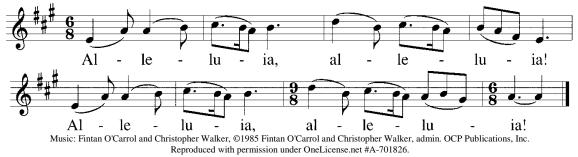
A reading from Ephesians.

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPHESIANS 4:1-16

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Congregation stands.



GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

 24 When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' "³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Congregation sits. SERMON

HYMN OF DAY 485 Congregation stands.

- 1 "I am the Bread of life.
 - You who come to me shall not hunger, and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons."

Refrain

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day."

2 "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever." *Refrain*

PASTOR RICK CARTER PASTOR RICK CARTER

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

- 3 "Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you." *Refrain*
- 4 "I am the resurrection, I am the life.
 If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever." *Refrain*
- 5 Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who have come into the world. *Refrain*

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JOHN 6:24-35

APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Congregation kneels or sits.

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You call your church to be the body of Christ. Awaken all the baptized to the gifts you provide for carrying out the work of ministry. Where the church is divided, knit us together and restore the unity of the faith. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You command the clouds above and cause the wind to blow in the heavens. Watch over deserts and wilderness places. Regenerate rainforests, defend species at risk of extinction, and strengthen the work of conservation organizations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You summon leaders to respond to the needs of your people. Instill those who govern with patience when confronted with grievances and perseverance in seeking what promotes the well-being of the community. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You draw near to those who cry out for help. Feed those who are hungry, reassure those who are despairing, and accompany those who are imprisoned. Rain down the true bread from heaven that gives life to the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Make this congregation a place of hospitality for those accustomed to rejection. To those who have felt excluded here or elsewhere, prepare us to welcome them in the name of Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You provide food that endures for eternal life. Sustain us each day with the bread of life until we are gathered with all the saints and feast together at your heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE Congregation stands.

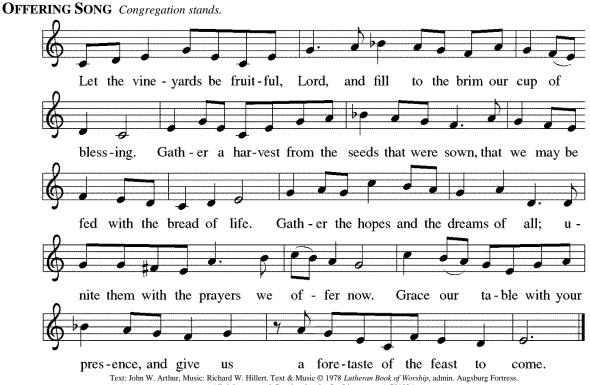
The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

As we pass the Peace of Christ, please greet one another as sisters and brothers in Christ **as you are comfortable** by saying, "Peace be with you." Make a special effort to speak to those you do not know.

+ MEAL +

OFFERING Congregation sits. **MUSICAL OFFERING**

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE



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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

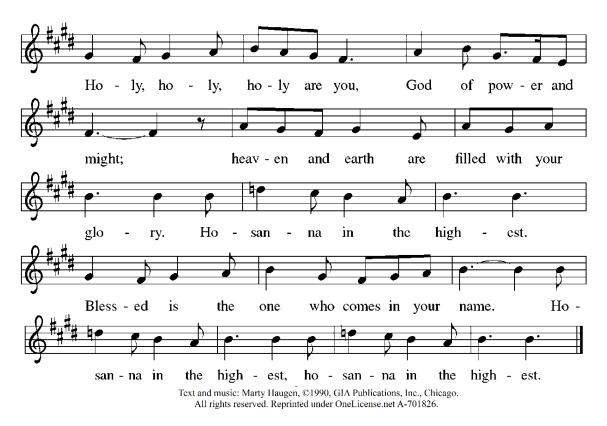
GREAT THANKSGIVING Congregation stands.

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.

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:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life. **Thanks be to God!** **COMMUNION** Congregation sits.

For the baptized who believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine, we invite you to come feast with us at the table of the Lord.



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HYMN 622

NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE

The congregation joins the choir in singing the refrain.

BLESSING OF THE COMMUNICANTS Congregation stands.

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

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

The congregation faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.

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SENDING HYMN 618

- Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

WOLD

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,

shield me with your mighty arm,

shield me with your mighty arm.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,

death of death and hell's destruction,

Songs and praises, songs and praises,

bid my anxious fears subside;

land me safe on Canaan's side.

I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore,

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LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Blue Ridge of Sumter – Virginia Stephens
Brickmont of John's Creek Assisted Living – Lena Duncan
Colonial Gardens Nursing Home – Irene S. Poole
Lowman Home – Rosemarie Brown, Marianne De Werdt, Martha Haigler
NHC Parklane – Mary Allen, Becky Silvia
The Palmettos – Sara Loyd
Rice Estate – Grace Boozer
Wellmore of Lexington – Dot Correll
Wellmore of Daniel Island – Barbara Sutton
Wildewood Downs – Joanna Carpenter, Billie Jones (in Rehab)
At their homes – Gwen Barnes, Joye Broome, Susan Burch (*in Greenville with her sister*), Helen Derrick, Sylvia

JULY 25, 2021 ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS

9:30 a.m. In-Sanctuary Worship Service: 93

*Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Collections needed: \$8,729 *Current Expenses & Benevolences Received: \$5,294

Memorial Fund	\$50	Altar Rose, Altar & Narthex Flowers	\$60
Youth Mission Fund – Contributions	\$25	July Social Ministry Focus – Boy's Farm	\$200
Initial Offering (for envelopes)	\$5		

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Richard and Neal Inman to the Glory of God and in honor of their friends during this new start up at our Good Shepherd church home.

THE ALTAR ROSE is given by Lisa Lehman to the Glory of God.

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CONGREGATIONAL SYMPATHY is extended to Karen Jenny upon the death of her brother Bert Taylor on Monday, July 26. A funeral service will be held at 12:00 noon, Monday, August 2 at Dunbar Funeral Home, Devine Street Chapel. There will be a visitation with refreshments following the service.

SOCIAL MINISTRY EMPHASIS FOR AUGUST – The social ministry emphasis for August at Good Shepherd is Pawmetto Lifeline, which deals with pet overpopulation in the Midlands through education, spay/neuter programs and responsible adoption. You may make contributions any time during the month on Sunday mornings or through the church office. Make checks payable to Good Shepherd and designated for Pawmetto Lifeline.

GOOD SHEPHERD ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT, October 1 - 3, 2021 – Join us at the Coastal Retreat Center, Isle of Palms. Cost of the Retreat is **\$175** which can be paid in installments, with a <u>deposit of \$50</u> due on or before <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 15</u>. The total is due **August 29, 2021**. The cost is for a room with a private bath (double occupancy, linens including towels furnished) and 4 meals. Dinner will be on your own Friday night. To reserve your space, complete the registration, found on the table in the Narthex, and make checks to **WELCA**. Give to Laura Leigh Smith or put in the **WELCA** box. Questions: Call or text Karen Lucas 803-730-7651 or email <u>klucas4@aol.com</u>.

SERVING AT WORSHIP - AUGUST 1, 2021

USHERS	Wade Wingard, Rod Kent, Jerry Vaughn, Mike Weaver
LECTOR & COMMUNION ASST	Marcia Woodward
ALTAR GUILD	Janet Lockhart, Sabra Lindler, Anne Rush
NURSERY	Alexis Boyles, Shayla Williams
TABULATORS	Lavina Chandler, Karen Lucas
OPENING BUILDINGS	Michael Brown
CC PERSON OF MONTH	Don Caughman

THIS WEEK AT GSLC:

August 1	9:15-10:45 a.m. Nursery open
	9:30 a.m. In-Sanctuary Worship Service
August 2	6:30 p.m. NA (Conference Room)
August 3	NO Bible Study
	4:00-7:30 p.m. National Night Out (FAB Parking Lot)
August 4	NO Zoom Bible Study
	6:00 p.m. Property Committee meeting (CL 4)
	6:30 p.m. NA (Conference Room)
August 5	6:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting (Conference Room)
	6:00 p.m. Parish Life Committee meeting (FAB)
August 8	9:15-10:45 a.m. Nursery open
	9:30 a.m. In-Sanctuary Worship Service

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