

17th Sunday After Pentecost

October 2, 2022

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Lord of Life Liturgy [Dr. Bradley C. Hunnicutt]

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

Joys & Concerns

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

C. Amen

P. Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection

P. God of mercy and forgiveness,

C. **we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

P. Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

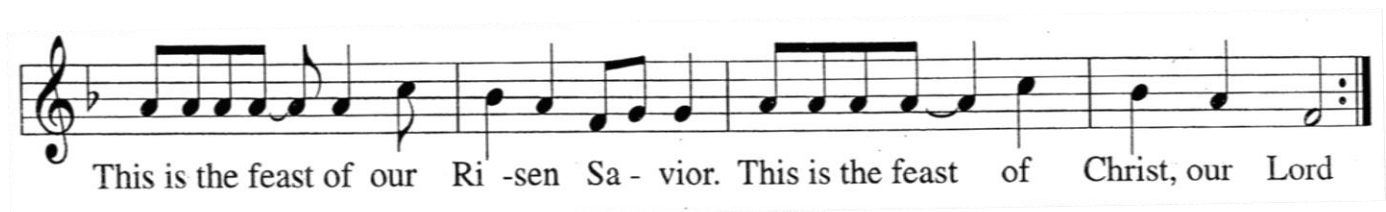
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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P. Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C. And also with you.

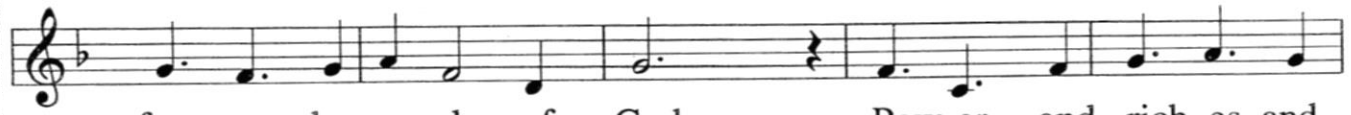
This is the Feast



This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord



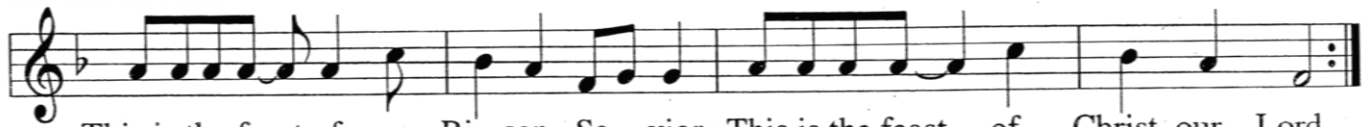
Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich es and



wis-dom and strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are His.



This is the feast of our Ri -sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord



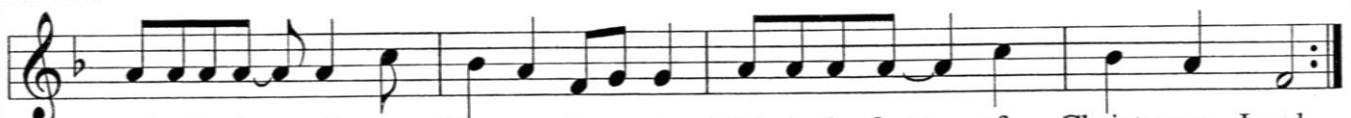
Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for -ev-er. A - men.



This is the feast of our Ri -sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord

P. This is indeed the feast of our Risen Savior . . .

. . . And His glorious resurrection has indeed become the Lord of Life!

C:

For the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le
 lu - ia. Al-le -lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
 This is the feast of our Ri -sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of Christ, our Lord

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Hal -le - lu - jah. Hal -le - lu - jah. Hal -le - lu - jah. A - men.
 Hal -le - lu - jah. Hal -le - lu - jah. A - men. A - men.

C:

This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior. This is the feast of
 Christ, our Lord. This is the feast of our Ri - sen Sa - vior
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Prayer of the Day

A. Let us pray

C. **Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**



Children's Church

Pastor Wayne Dubnansky

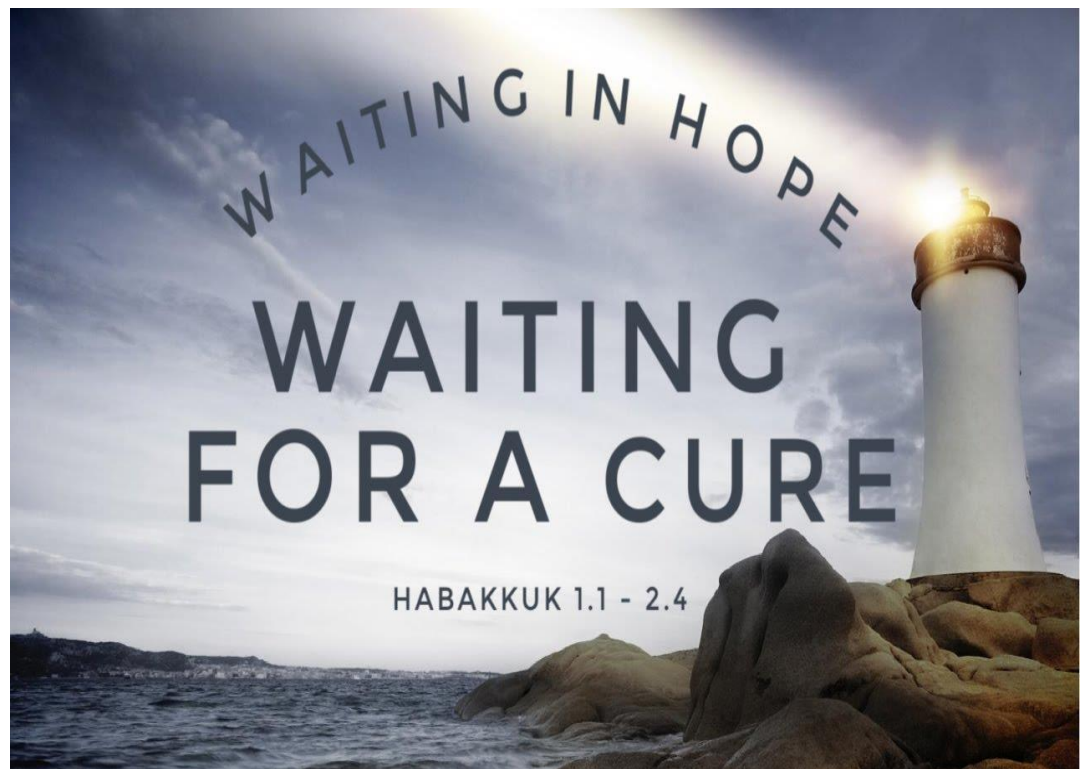
First Reading

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.
O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?
Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous-- therefore judgment comes forth perverted.



I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

Trust in the Lord, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
Delight yourself in the Lord,
and He will give you the desires of your heart.

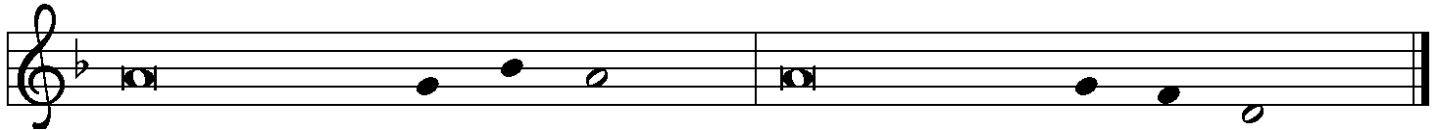
Psalm 37:3-4 (ESV)

Psalmody

Psalm 37:1-10

(tone #9)

chanted responsively



Do not be provoked by ¹ evildoers;
do not be jealous of those ¹ who do wrong.

**For they shall soon wither ¹ like the grass,
and like the green grass ¹ fade away.**

Put your trust in the LORD ¹ and do good;
dwell in the land and ¹ find safe pasture.

**Take delight ¹ in the LORD,
who shall give you your ¹ heart's desire.**

Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD,
and see what ¹ God will do.

**The LORD will make your vindication as clear ¹ as the light
and the justice of your case like the ¹ noonday sun.**

Be still before the LORD and wait ¹ patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in ¹ evil schemes.

**Refrain from anger, leave ¹ rage alone;
do not be provoked; it leads on- ¹ ly to evil.**

For evildoers shall ¹ be cut off,

but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- ¹ sess the land.

**In a little while the wicked shall ¹ be no more;
even if you search out their place, they will ¹ not be there.**

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

L. Word of God. Word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

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Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le-lu -ia. Al-le- lu -ia.

P. The Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter seventeen.

INCREASE OUR FAITH!



LUKE 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"



P. The Gospel of the Lord



The Apostles' Creed

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 into the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he 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



Prayers of Intercession

A. As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

We pray for your holy church in every place and for those who serve following the example of Christ. Help them to live by faith and walk by the light of your gospel. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

P. Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C. Amen.

The Peace

P. The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C. And also with you.

The Offering

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Alice Parker

Choir

Offertory: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord*

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless-ing. Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and
fill to the brim our cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest
from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of
life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the
prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble with your
pres-ence, Lord, your pres-ence, Lord, your pres-ence, Lord.
Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence, Lord, and give us a fore-taste,
give us a fore-taste, give us a fore-taste of the
feast to come. A-men.

Offertory Prayer

A. Gracious God,

C. in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
Amen.

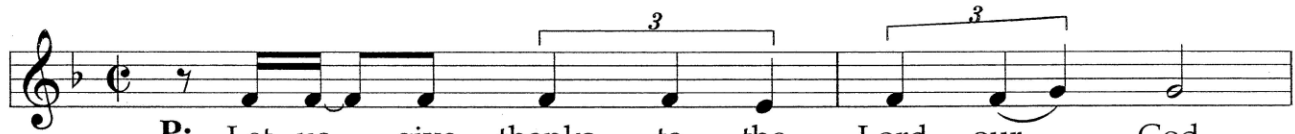
The Great Thanksgiving



P: The Lord be with you. C: And al- so with you.



P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...join in their unending hymn:



Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might: heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
slower san - na in the high - est. *a tempo* Bless - ed, bless - ed is the one
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est

The 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

P. Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

C. Amen.

Lamb of God

slowly

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer-cy, have mer-cy on us.

Je - sus, bear-er of our sins, have mer-cy, have mercy on us.

Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world, give us your peace.

Communion Hymns

Holy God, Holy and Glorious

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We Walk by Faith

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How Small Our Span of Life

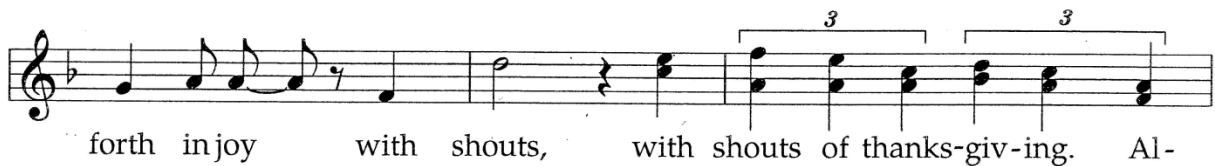
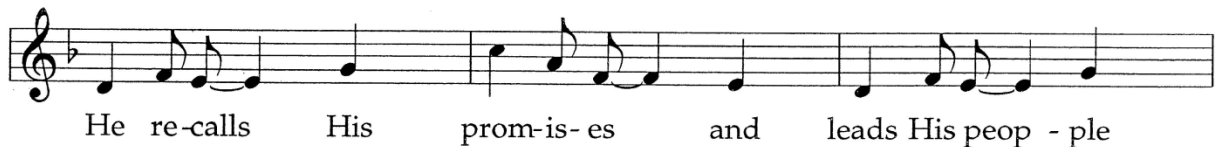
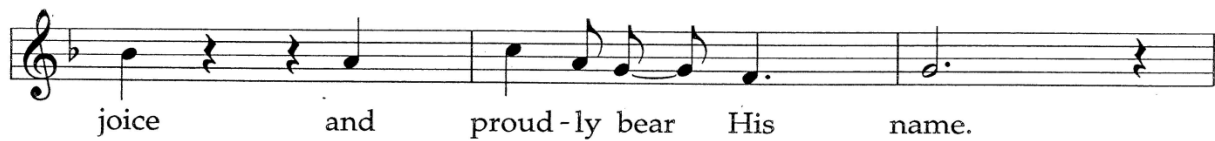
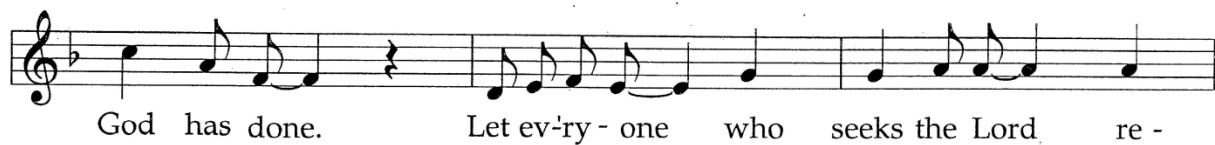
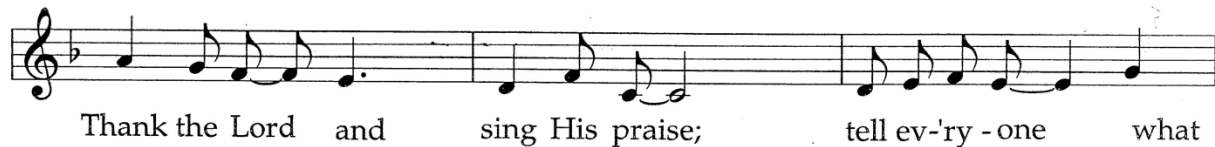
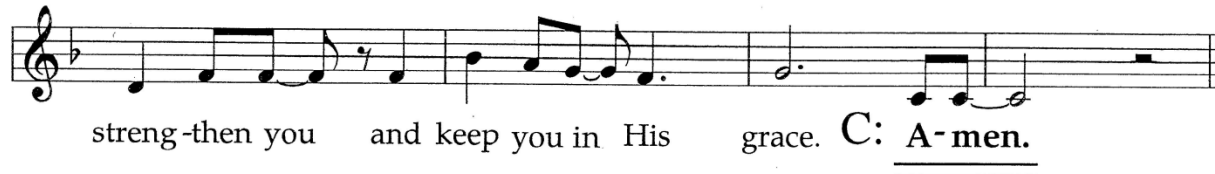
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THE LORD'S SUPPER

"This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." - Matthew 26:28



Post Communion Blessing and Canticle



Al-le-lu-ia!

Post Communion Prayer

- A. God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C. Amen.

Benedictus

Presider
The Lord bless you and keep you. The

Congregation
The Lord bless you and keep you, too.
Lord make his face shine on you and be gra-cious to
The Lord make his face shine on you
you. The Lord look up-on you with fa-vor and
and be gra-cious to you. The
give you peace. A - men.
Lord look up-on you with fa - vor and give you peace. A - men.

Sending Hymn

We've Come This Far by Faith

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Dismissal

A. Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Brad Hunnicutt

Servers for Sunday, October 2nd

Assisting Minister Sylvia Lambert
Reader Sylvia Lambert
Altar Guild Grace Barnes / Barbara Kyles
Greeters / Counters Terry Barnes / Tim Clark
Acolyte Antonio Smith

Sign-up sheets for the various worship assistant slots are on the board in the hallway. Please consider spending time giving glory to God by filling one of these positions on a Sunday.

Candles for the month of October are given by Julia Lochra in celebration of family Birthdays.



Flowers this week are provided by the Connie Fortmeyer in celebration of all October Birthdays.

Honor a loved one by making a donation for the candles in the sanctuary for the month or the flowers that beautify the church each Sunday. Sign-up sheets are on the board in the hallway.

*After worship fellowship today is provided by
Terry & Grace Barnes.*

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OYSTER-FEST

Date and time: Thu, October 13, 2022, 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM EDT

Location: Agri Supply of Garner, 409 US East Highway 70, Garner, NC 27529

Food served from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Band of Oz Playing 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Menu: Steamed Oysters (shuck your own tables and pre-packaged cups), fried catfish, BBQ Pork (pulled), bistro clam chowder, coleslaw, salt potatoes, green beans, rolls & banana pudding.

Beer and Wine: \$4 each or 3 for \$10

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