



Congregational Worship Service - Thursday, 12.30pm

## 12/13 DECEMBER 2020 COLLECT FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

## LECTIONARY READINGS

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

**Bishop of Singapore and Dean** Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

**Vicar** Revd Canon Terry Wong, **Vicar-Designate** Revd Lewis Lew

**Clergy** Revd Canon Rinji Kwashi, Revd Bertram Cheong, Revd Joshua Raj,  
Revd Hambali Leonardi, Revd Calvin Wee, Revd Moses Israeli

**Auxiliary Clergy** Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay, Revd Soon Soo Kee, Revd Christopher Tan, Revd Freddy Lim

**Deaconesses** Ds Bessie Lee, Ds June Tan, Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan

# CHURCH ONLINE

We invite you and your family to worship the Lord with us online.

**Join us by clicking on these links:**

[English Service](#)

(every Sunday from 7am)

[Mandarin Online Service](#)

2020 year of  
**DISCIPLESHIP**  
dig deep • walls down • bridges out



## THE VICAR WRITES

REV. D. LEWIS LEW



gingerbread  
fairy lights  
GOD'S LOVE  
FAITH presents CHRIST birth  
Christmas tree Christmas nuts  
cookies hope advent  
peace HAPPINESS candles  
CHRISTMAS tinsel children  
Christ Child LIGHT  
joy

## The DEEPER Life: ACCEPT HIS LOVE

**A**dvent and Christmas are times of love. I challenge us all not to miss the true story of love this season. The story of true, faithful, unending, sacrificial love. God's love in sending Jesus is the one love that changes everything.

Love has been God's story from the beginning. From the moment of creation, God's love was part of the fabric of our world. God's love was in the Garden of Eden both before and after sin entered the world. God showed His love throughout the Old Testament in the lives of people like Moses, Noah, David, and Isaiah just to name a few. Then His love turned the world inside out when He sent His Son to live among us—the God of the universe to be born in a stable, die on the cross, and rise again from the grave. God's love was sent to disrupt and overturn the power of death and evil.

Think about this, the God of the universe loves you so much that He left everything to be with you, to sacrifice His life that you could be with Him. So, what do we do with this gift of love?

God loved the world. He gave His Son. When we accept that gift and believe in Him, we are given His life—salvation and eternal life. Many of you may know exactly what I'm talking about because you have accepted this gift of love somewhere in the past. However, some of you may not have experienced the acceptance of His love for you through His Son Jesus Christ. No matter what challenges or hurts you hold, God's love can handle them and heal them. Wherever you are as you are reading this, I encourage you to accept the gift of God's love. Let this season of Advent be one of accepting the love and salvation God offers in His Son.

# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

## THE WORLD

Health minister of Korea has declared Seoul a COVID-19 war zone. Seoul and its environs house half the country's population and contain most of the recent infections. The country's medical system is also under stress with very limited ICU beds available nationwide. Pray for the government to take quick and effective action to tighten safe management measures and close public places to curtail local transmissions. Pray also for the safety of healthcare personnel and for an increased capacity in the healthcare system to cope with the number of infections.

The Democratic Republic of Congo is facing a political crisis sparked by months of political deadlock between supporters of President Felix Tshisekedi and former President Joseph Kabila in the coalition government. Kabila's party commands the majority of parliamentary seats. President Tshisekedi has warned that if he failed to form a new coalition he might be forced to dissolve parliament and hold fresh elections. Kabila's party called the President's decision to scrap the coalition "unconstitutional". Pray for a peaceful resolution to this conflict which, if unresolved, may have serious and adverse consequences on the economy and security in the country, amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

## SINGAPORE

Pray for divine favour and good organisation as Singapore prepares to host the World Economic Forum Special Annual Meeting (from 13-16 May 2021); for the safeguarding of the health and safety of all participants who will be attending this in-person meeting. Pray for fruitful discussions as global leaders cooperate, collaborate and partner each other to address pressing global issues.

Pray for our Singapore government to be divinely led in the gradual re-opening of our economy; that Phase 3 will be well timed; for

continued vigilance by all Singapore residents in the compliance of safe management measures, especially during this holiday season.

## DIOCESE

### Marine Parade Christian Centre

Pray for the smooth transition of leadership from Rev Joseph You to Canon Terry Wong. Pray for fresh envisioning, wisdom and strength for Canon Terry as he begins his new role in MPCC. Pray for good working partnerships with staff and ministry leaders and for meaningful relationships to be forged with all members of MPCC. Pray that members of MPCC will continue to grow strong in the Lord and MPCC will be a beacon of Christ's light and hope to the communities around her and beyond.

### My Saviour's Church

Pray for a fruitful Christmas outreach (Christmas @ Home) on 19 Dec when members invite family and friends to their homes to build friendships and share Christ with them. Pray also for the Church Services to creatively minister to the masses onsite and via online platforms.

## CATHEDRAL

### Pilot test to hold CWS for 250

Pray for the successful implementation of the CWS pilot test, beginning with 150 worshippers and culminating in 250 worshippers for the Christmas week (Lessons & Carols, Christmas Eve and Christmas day Services). Pray for staff who are involved in the planning and organising of the CWS to be divinely guided in making wise decisions. Pray for good health and safety of all worshippers.

### Confirmation Candidates

Pray for all who have been or will be confirmed at 3 different Services in the Cathedral; that they will continue to walk closely with the Lord, serve Him with their spiritual gifts and integrate well into the Cathedral family.

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## SERVICES IN THE CATHEDRAL

# All are welcome to worship in the Nave CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

### WEEKLY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

**The Services on Saturdays and Sundays will be conducted for up to 100 worshippers.**

Services held on the weekdays will be for up to 50 worshippers.

Each Service will be for about an hour. Worshippers may attend individually or in groups of not more than 5 each.

Sat	:	<b>11.30am</b>	in Mandarin
	:	<b>4.30pm</b>	in English
Sun	:	<b>7.30am</b>	in English
	:	<b>9.30am</b>	in Mandarin
	:	<b>11.30am</b>	in English
	:	<b>2.30pm</b>	in Mandarin
	:	<b>4.30pm</b>	in English
Wed	:	<b>12.30pm</b>	in English
Thu	:	<b>12.30pm</b>	in English

### ADMISSION

**Please book your preferred date and time of Service; only worshippers who book may be admitted into the Services.**

Worshippers can do this online at [cathedral.org.sg/cws](http://cathedral.org.sg/cws) or phone 63376104.

Bookings open at 1pm, a week before the day of the Service (eg. booking for a Sunday Service on 30 August will be open at 1pm on Sunday, 23 August), and close at 1pm a day before the Service. For Services in Mandarin please call 63392435. Walk-ins will not be allowed entry.

### PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR ENTRY & EXIT

**If you are coming to the Cathedral on foot,** use the MRT Gate (the pedestrian gate next to the Cathedral Café) for entry and exit.

**If you are driving,**

enter by the SRC Gate (the vehicular gate facing the Singapore Recreation Centre) and exit by the Padang Gate. Worshippers may park their vehicles in the allocated parking space.

**Please arrive early, but not earlier than 30 minutes before the start of a Service.**

Worshippers (and their vehicles) must leave the church premises not later than 30 minutes after the Service ends.

**For weekday Services,**

worshippers will enter the Nave by the North Transept Door and exit by the 2 doors leading to the North and South Transepts.

### SAFE ENTRY

**2 Safe Entry stations are located at the Drop Off Point and the Tent next to the Nave.**

**Safe Entry Check-in via TraceTogether Token or App only. SafeEntry check-ins by SingPass or QR Code will be discontinued immediately.**

With effect from 6 Dec 2020, all entry to St Andrew's Cathedral compound must be done with the TraceTogether app or token. As an interim measure for the month of December, your NRIC card may be used, if you have not already obtained the TraceTogether token or apps.

## COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES:

### Masks

must be worn at all times, except when communicants are partaking of the bread and wine.

### Mingling

Worshippers are reminded not to mingle before and after each Service, and to leave the church premises promptly after the end of the Service. The gates will be closed 30 minutes after the end of each Service.

## Pilot Test to hold CWS for 250

St Andrew's Cathedral has been selected by MCCY to hold worship services for up to 250 worshippers. We will be making the following changes to comply with MCCY guidelines:

### Initial trial for 150 worshippers

For the month of December, starting from 6 Dec 2020, the 11.30 am English Service and the 9.30 am Mandarin Service will be conducted for 150 worshippers – split into 3 clusters of 50 worshippers: Upper Nave, Lower Nave and South Transept Hall.

All other Congregational Worship Services will remain unchanged, in terms of size and venue.

### CWS will be video-recorded

All Congregational Worship Services will be video-recorded. All worshippers and service personnel are required to wear masks and to comply with the authorities' Safe Management measures for religious organisations, including SafeEntry, temperature checks, attendance taking and safe distancing. There is to be no mingling before, during, or after Services.

### Choice of the Cluster you will be seated in when you book for CWS

Worshippers may now choose the cluster they wish to be seated in when booking to come for the Service. Changes after booking will not be accepted.

### Christmas Week and into 2021

We will be allowed to increase to a total of 250 worshippers, for the Christmas week Services (Lessons and Carols, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services) if the initial trial is successful. More information of the Christmas Week Services will be released soon.

More services at the CNS will be added from 2021.

## PRIVATE WORSHIP

### DAILY, FROM 10AM TO 4PM

Except on Mondays, Saturdays and Sundays, worshippers may enter the Nave for personal prayer, individually or in groups of not more than 5 each.

### BOOKING A PRAYER SESSION

Each session is for 30 minutes, starting on the hour. Please phone 63376014 to book an appointment. Subject to availability, walk-ins may be permitted.

### ENTRY INTO THE CATHEDRAL

All will enter the Cathedral premises by the MRT Gate (next to the Welcome Centre / Café). There will be no entry to vehicles; drivers are advised to park their cars in the car parks outside the church.

### COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES\*:

The advisory for Congregational Worship applies.

**THE CATHEDRAL  
IS CLOSED ON MONDAYS**





**Join us** for a chat with  
your Service pastors.

**SATURDAY 4:30pm Service**  
**"The Upper Room Devotion"**  
**10.00am**

To Join, click [HERE](#)

**SUNDAY 7am Service**  
**6.15 - 6.45am Pre-Service Prayer**  
**8.20am to 9.30am Zoom Meeting**  
To Join, click [HERE](#)

**9am Service 9.00am**  
To Join, click [HERE](#)



## LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

Jesus is the Radiance of God's glory.  
**He is the Light of all the world.**

Gracious God, awaken the earth,  
for we await you.

**We wait for signs of hope.**

Creator God, awaken the earth,  
for we await you.

**We wait for signs of peace.**

Glorious God, open the heavens  
and come, for we await you.

**We wait for signs of joy.**

Transforming God, open our hearts  
as we worship you in wonder and trust.

**We wait for signs of love,  
on this day and in this season.**



# Marriage PREPARATION COURSE

The St Andrew's Cathedral **Marriage Preparation Course** is a series of seven sessions designed to help couples develop strong foundations for a lasting marriage.

The course format is relaxed and engaging with live and video lessons, couple-discussion time, sharing by married couples and small group discussion led by support-couples.

### Course Dates:

**1st Run** : 2 February to 16 March 2021  
Tuesdays 7pm to 9.30pm

Venue : To be confirmed

**2nd Run** : 6 July to 17 August 2021  
Tuesdays 7pm to 9.30pm


Venue : To be confirmed

**For enquiries:** please email to [mpc@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:mpc@cathedral.org.sg)


# christmas + New Year's Eve

AT ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL 2020


Light of Hope  
**Lessons & Carols**  
**SUN 20 DEC, 7.30PM**

Join us online 


**Christmas Eve**  
**THU 24 DEC, 11.00PM**

Service with Holy Communion  
Cathedral bells will ring from 10-11pm  
Join us online 

**New Year's Eve**  
**THU 31 DEC, 11.00PM**

Service with Holy Communion  
Join us online 

**Christmas Day**  
**FRI 25 DEC, 8.00AM**

Service with Holy Communion  
Join us online 



**Advent Reflections**

with Scripture and Poetry  
from Nov 29 at 8am, 12pm and 5pm  
on Cathedral SG Live

**Sunday, 27 Dec**  
**7.30AM, 11.30AM, 4.30PM**

Service with Holy Communion



*come,  
let us adore Him!*

St Andrew's Cathedral welcomes you to

LIGHT OF

hope

Sun 20 Dec 2020 | 7.30pm | St Andrew's Cathedral

**A FESTIVAL SERVICE OF  
NINE LESSONS & CAROLS**

A Reflective Candlelight Service  
through music, and lesson readings

featuring the Christmas Cantata

"In Nativitate Domini" by Johann

Vierdanck ( 1605-1646 )

and A Child Is Born by Samuel

Scheidt ( 1587- 1654 )

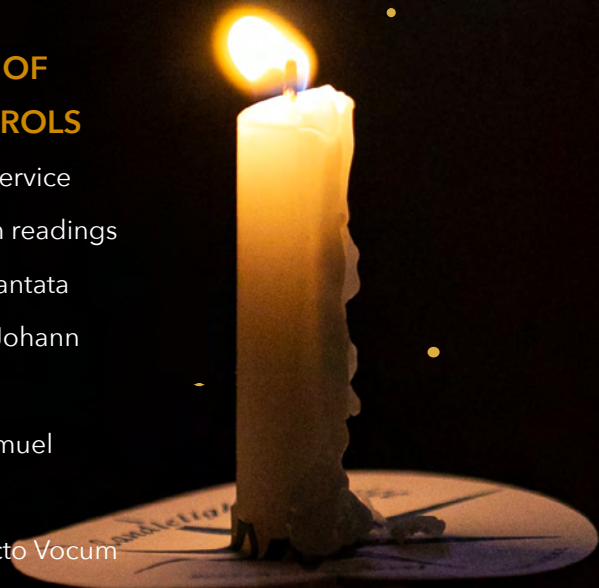
from Cantiones Sacrae Octo Vocum

**presented by the St Andrew's  
Cathedral Combined Choir**

**All tickets have been taken up!**

**The event will be livestreamed at <https://cathedral.org.sg/lnc>**

Those who have reserved seats but are not able to attend,  
please cancel your booking at least 24 hours before the event. Thank you.







# You Are Invited

to an exclusive viewing of

## Music Gives Back 4

19.12.2020, Saturday, 7pm  
Premiering Online

**Benefitting**  
St. Andrew's Autism Centre (SAAC)



Led by Dawn Marie Toh,  
featuring her friends who are

**Singapore Symphony Orchestra**  
musicians

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Theme from Howl's Moving Castle | Rewrite the Stars

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*and many more...*

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Registration  
[events.saac.org.sg](https://events.saac.org.sg)



**ST. ANDREW'S  
AUTISM CENTRE**



ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
**COMMUNION SERVICE**  
**FRI 31 DEC 20, 11.00PM**

Booking opens on Wed 16 Dec, 12noon

# CONFIRMATION

Please pray for these brothers and sisters who will be confirmed at the following services:

## Saturday, 5 December, 5.00pm

Abraham Isaac Elangovan  
Burgon Racquel Legarteja  
Chablani Sameer Ashok  
Chan Chee Hwee  
Cheong Siew Imm Petrina  
Chua Yi Da  
Dib Lydia Ilhem  
Ding Wei Yung Wayne  
Frederick Anita Sheela  
Goh Eileen  
Goh Xin Min Audrie  
Gong Tiantian Esther  
Hooi Mun Hon  
Knight Matthew Andrew Ross  
Khong Mei Han Jane  
Koh Boon Yi Jovian  
Koh Choh Tiang  
Koh Jeannie Elizabeth  
Lee Hoi Ning Jane  
Lee Hoi Yan Joy  
Lee Huiwen  
Lee Pin Pin Jessica  
Leong Wonn Woei Audrey  
Lim Jie Yi, Karen  
Lim Mei Sian Diana  
Lim Peiying  
Lin Zhixun, Will  
Nam Shin Yuen  
Ng Rui Rachel  
Ng Weihan Benjamin  
Njoo Likewati  
Ong Chong Mun Kelly  
Ong Jin Teong John  
Si Yean Ming Mingle  
Sim Sze Lin Davinline  
Tan Sok Chiu  
Teoh Meng Hwee  
Vino Ananth Dayalan  
Woo Lik Ling Valerie  
Yap Wei Tat Anthony

## Saturday 12 December, 5.00pm

Chan Lon Hoe Christopher  
Chan Lup Fai Dennis  
Chan Siew Wing Clifton  
Chen Weiming Kenny  
Chng Lixian Rebecca  
Foong Kim Lan  
Kok Yee Jiun Frances  
Lau Lut Ching  
Lim Thiam Poh Alan  
Lim Yeow Chong  
Lin Yingying  
Linn Justin  
Lo Denson  
Looi Pei-Li Daphne  
Low Sze May Leona  
Mak Yuen Wah Samuel  
Moriyama Eiji Harley Yip  
Ng Wan Ting Sherleen  
Ong Leong Hock  
Park Sun Ae  
Pillay Charlene  
Poh Shi Yang Sean  
Seah Chee Wei Jeffrey  
Soon Je-Xiang Jason  
Tan Yoke Leng  
Teng Siew Yong Sharon  
Teo Yee Khai William  
Teoh Hui Huang Karl  
To Hui Yi Stephanie Ruth  
Toh Yew Lee Ernest  
Wong Kee Kah  
Yeh Shih Min Jacqueline  
Yeo Sen Son Benjamin

## Sunday, 13 December, 5.00pm

Ang Kai Yi Joash  
Ang Kwang Yong  
Cai Zhonghan Aidan  
Chan Sye Gek Audrey  
Cheong Lin See Rosalind  
Chua Lay Soon Esther  
Davadass Julius  
Goh Chor Lim Esther  
Goh Yam Thiam Daniel  
Hendroff Fitzgerald  
Heng Jin Joshua  
Kim Chwee Eng  
Koh Cheng Hwee Paul  
Lai En Xian Daniel  
Lam Weng Hoon  
Lee Der Rick  
Leong Mun Hon  
Lim Ai Qi SWV Grace  
Lim Boon Khai Austin  
Lim Tai Leng Valerie  
Liu Jieyong Bjorn  
Matthew  
Moo Zhehui  
Ng Shou Jin  
Phang Koh Ni  
Phua Li Pheng  
Phua Meow Inn Sophia  
Sim Boon Chuan Murphy  
Soong Tshon Yit John  
Tan Que Na  
Tan Wang Ching  
Tan Yong Kwang Francis  
Tay Guek Lay Aileen  
Tay Guek Ng  
Tay Kai Loong  
Teoh Mei Lin  
Tey Suat Wan  
Tuang Ai Khim  
Wong Kok Yee  
Yeo Fang Yi Fabian

# THE QUIET GARDEN RETREAT

Scripture meditation  
and silent prayer

Every Tuesday  
12 nn to 1 pm  
ALL ARE WELCOME

[Click here to join  
the Zoom meeting](#)



## SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022



This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's historic building that have succumbed to environmental wear and tear. The Restoration Works will involve re-plastering and re-painting of interior and exterior walls, timber carpentry, stone works, metal works, electrical works, plumbing and roof works. The Project is expected to take 3 years. The cost of \$6million will be paid out from the Cathedral Heritage Fund (CHF) set up to fund this Project as well as future heritage and building works.

### HOW TO GIVE

**Cheques** – Pay to “St Andrew’s Cathedral”. Write “Heritage Fund” on the reverse side and include your name and mailing address.

#### Online transfer

**Account Name:** St Andrew's Cathedral

**Account Number:**

DBS Autosave 033-019550-8

**PayNow:**

Heritage Fund UEN - T08CC4055LHF1

### The CHF, as of 17 November 2020:

From English Congregation:	\$1.2m
From Mandarin Congregation:	\$1.2m
Grant from Preservation of Sites & Monuments Board:	\$0.98m
Donations pledged/received from SAC members/friends:	\$1.37m
<b>Balance to be raised:</b>	<b>\$1.25m</b>

# DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES ONLINE

[cathedral.org.sg/dCBS](http://cathedral.org.sg/dCBS)



**JAN  
– MAR  
2021  
THURS  
7:30 PM  
– 9 PM**

## **†Module 1A** Background Overview of the Old Testament

*Bible Origins, the Hebrew Canon and the World of the OT*

Instructor: Ms Vivien Chen

**7 JAN 2021 • 1 THURSDAY ONLY • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

## **†Module 1B** Background Overview of the New Testament

*Bible Origins, the NT Canon and the Socio-Political World of the NT*

Instructor: Ds Ti Lian Swan

**7 JAN 2021 • 1 THURSDAY ONLY • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

## **\*Module 5** The Minor Prophets

*Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Nahum, Micah, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Zechariah, Haggai, Malachi*

Instructors: Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan, Ps Geraldine Lau, Mr James Tan

**14 JAN - 18 MAR 2021 • 9 THURSDAYS • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

## **\*Module 8A** The Gospels (I) | 14 Jan - 18 Mar

*Matthew, Luke*

Instructors: Mrs Michelle Tan (TWPC), Ps Angeline Leong (MSC)

**14 JAN - 18 MAR 2021 • 9 THURSDAYS • 7.30 PM - 9 PM**

**†Introductory Modules 1A/1B are FREE. \*Course Fee (Module 5/8A):** \$10 per module. (Payable online or via crossed cheque to St Andrew's Cathedral). No lesson on 11 Feb 2021, eve of Lunar New Year. Please register early to avoid missing any lessons. Visit [cathedral.org.sg/dCBS](http://cathedral.org.sg/dCBS) for more details.



# GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS

## ON-LINE BANKING

## CHEQUES

### FOR TITHES AND GENERAL OFFERINGS

- **Internet Banking**

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral

Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-903411-8

- **PayNow**

PayNow Name: St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C

UEN: T08CC4055LT01

You may indicate the Service you attend and/or Tithing number (if any) under remarks or reference.

### FOR OTHER SPECIFIC DONATIONS

(eg. Welfare, Missions, etc)

- **Internet Banking**

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral

Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-903411-8

- **PayNow**

PayNow Name: St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C

UEN: T08CC4055LT01

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Receipts will not be issued for on-line givings.

### CHEQUES

- **Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"**

On the reverse side of the cheque, you may indicate your Tithing number (if any).

#### For specific donations

- **Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"**

On the reverse side of the cheque, please indicate the purpose of your donation eg. Restoration Works, Welfare, Missions, etc.

If you would like a receipt, please write your name and mailing address.

Cheques can be mailed to St Andrew's Cathedral,  
11 St Andrew's Road, Singapore 178959

For more information, please visit [cathedral.org.sg/giving](https://cathedral.org.sg/giving)

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