

# 2021



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## "The Little Lutheran"

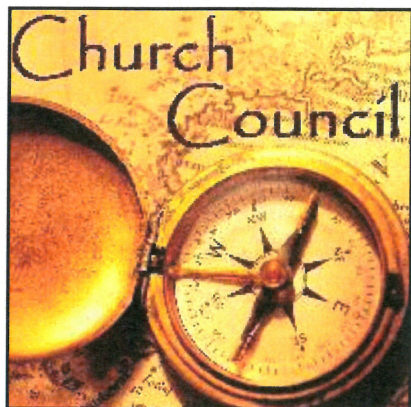
### Greenford Lutheran Church

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*Our mission is to "Know Christ and Make Christ Known"*



#### A MESSAGE FROM GLC'S COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Well, it is that "Time of the Year" when we come together at GLC to restart, rethink, and possibly even "change gears." If you heard Pastor's sermon on Sunday Sept. 26 you may, like me, have been inspired with the message that there is no "us or them" in the church. **WE** are the church!!

We are the church, together with many different gifts and challenges. You and I are GLC. Coming together (hopefully regularly), to share in the community of God's gifts to us. Nurturing our relationship and encouraging others to seek a relationship with Christ.

Hopefully, you all know the truth about the leadership at GLC.

Those who you see as leaders have gifts they are sharing but absolutely do not have all the answers. They have some tasks, but absolutely do not do it all! If you were to imagine being on council or even being the council President, you may (like I did) encounter thoughts of doubt, fear, hopelessness, even disbelief at the challenges that arise: budget issues, building issues, program issues, and now COVID issues! How would you react?

I may have said this before but what has strengthened my faith time and time again is our church. You would offer help without ever being asked and that was a *HUGE* reminder that we (GLC) don't walk alone. God, working through God's people, makes a positive difference. Whether it's a smile, a thoughtful card, a generous donation, leading a lesson, cooking a meal, accepting a leadership role or just simply asking "What can I do to help?" Its exciting and reassuring to see so many members, being the body of Christ at GLC.

So together this fall we are asking you to pray about "What role do you have in the work and financial support of the missions of GLC?" As you may have noticed we're looking to add a second more modern worship service. Is God nudging you to help with that? You may have noticed our Sunday School for youth needs regular participants as well as leaders, do you have a role in that? If you're a "numbers person" you've probably noticed that unlike our 2020 COVID year where members courageously stepped up their financial support- this year with COVID waning so have our finances- might you be a positive contributor there?

Personally, I find in my human nature to want things to just "stay the same as last year!?" But, occasionally we are led (*or forced*) out of our comfort zone for God's work which is very rewarding. I pray you continue to find God's blessings in your life and will continue to pass it on to those around you. After all "WE are the church" and that's what "church" does— find and share God's blessings.

I'm looking forward to shifting gears this fall and working with you to "not get in God's way!!" *Again that's a reference to Pastor's message Sept 26 which pointed out an important part of "being church" is not getting in God's way.* "God's gonna do, what God's gonna do" and instead of getting in the way we should be asking, "What can I do to help? As your Council President I thank so many of you for asking that question.

Appreciatively

*Ed Schaefer, Jr.*, GLC Council President





## Church Council

### COUNCIL OFFICERS

#### President

Ed Schaefer, Jr

#### Vice President

Dave Chizmar

#### Council Secretary

Joanie Brooks

#### Christian Education

Chris Kondas

#### Evangelism

Carrie Toy

#### Finance

Evan Schaefer

#### Fellowship

Delaine DeChellis

#### Member Care

Joanie Brooks

#### Property

Brad Scheetz

#### Stewardship

Dave Chizmar

#### Worship & Music

Charlotte Fishback

#### Youth

Ed Schaefer, Jr

### CHURCH STAFF

#### Pastor

Rev. Michael Knauff

#### Church Secretary

*needed*

#### Youth Director

Matthew Crutchfield

#### Custodian

Fran Hall

#### Music Director

Martha Rogowsky

#### Accompanist

Alyssa Titi

#### Church Treasurer

Shirley Martz

#### Financial Secretary

Dorothy Conkle

### TREASURER REPORT AUGUST 2021

#### CURRENT FUND

<u>Beginning Balance</u>	-\$12,465.48
Receipts:	
<u>Church/e-offering</u>	\$12,894.80
(see below)	
<u>Total Receipts:</u>	\$429.32
(after covering overdrawn)	
Expenses:	
Donation	\$100.00
Electric Church	\$414.32
Electric Parsonage	\$171.07
Gas Church	\$48.92
Gas Parsonage	\$0.00
Telephone Church	\$155.69
Evangelism	\$0.00
Fellowship	\$282.50
Flowers	\$80.00
Federal Tax	\$1,425.66
State Tax	\$96.42
Pastor Salary	\$4,615.58
Pens/House Eq'ty	\$459.48
Secretary Salary	\$341.06
Music Director	\$459.10
Sexton Salary	\$507.74
Treasurer Salary	\$254.34
Organist	\$294.12
Youth Lead Sal:	\$440.82
Supply Pastor	\$0.00
Payroll Expenses	\$26.28
Office Equipment	\$0.00
Postage & Delivery	\$55.00
Equipment Lease	\$274.59
Office Supplies	\$72.69
Repairs Parsonage	\$0.00
Supplies Janitor	\$0.00
Lawn Mowing	\$0.00
Trash Hauling	\$126.95
Water System	\$69.90
Worship & Music	\$181.75
Property Taxes	\$2,088.67
Bldg Insurance	\$0.00
Van Ins	\$0.00
Workers Comp	\$25.15
<u>Total Expenses</u>	\$13,053.66

**BALANCE CURRENT FUND** -\$12,624.34

(from above)

Church receipts	\$12,277.20
e-offering receipts	\$617.60
Receipts	\$12,894.80

#### BENEVOLENCE

Balance	\$760.00
Receipts	\$865.00
Disbursements	\$790.00
Balance	\$835.00

#### BUILDING FUND / BUILDING MAINT.

Balance	\$20,738.60
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$1,188.31
Balance	\$19,550.29

#### RYAN LUTSCH EAGLE SCOUT FUND

Balance	\$581.98
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$581.98

#### DISCRETIONARY FUND

Balance	\$2,350.49
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$2,350.49

#### JR YOUTH

Balance	\$4,195.23
Receipts	\$100.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$4,295.23

#### LESLIE FUND

Balance	\$0.00
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$0.00

#### MEMORIAL FUND

Balance	\$27,907.00
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$200.00
Balance	\$27,707.00

#### MISSION TRIP

Balance	\$7,022.61
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$7,022.61

#### CEMETARY

Balance	\$7,484.58
Receipts	\$445.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$7,929.58

#### CAMPERSHIPS

Balance	\$732.00
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$732.00

#### VBS

Balance	\$2,692.56
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$0.00
Balance	\$2,692.56

#### MEN'S GROUP

Balance	\$7,399.63
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	\$5,048.19
Balance	\$2,351.44

#### CHECKBOOK SUMMARY

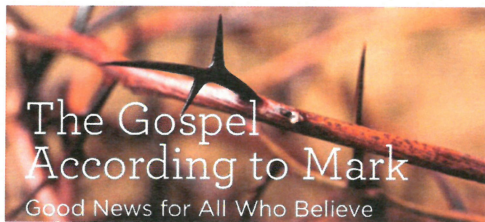
Current Fund	-\$12,624.34
Accrued State & Fed	\$383.41
Benevolence	\$835.00
Building Fund/Bldg Main	\$19,550.29
Eagle Scout Fund	\$581.88
Cemetery	\$7,929.58
Discretionary Fund	\$2,350.49
Jr Youth	\$4,295.23
Memorial Fund	\$27,707.00
Mission Trip	\$7,022.61
VBS	\$2,692.56
Men's Group	\$2,351.44
Leslie Fund	\$0.00
Camperships	\$732.00
Uncleared Checks	\$2,088.96
Uncleared Deposits	\$0.00
Balance	\$65,896.11





## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Chris Kondas, Chairman



### **ADULT FORUM:**

**Harold McCue** continues to lead our Adult Forum in the fellowship hall which is using the video series "The Gospel according to Mark" by Alistair Begg. Rev. Begg is the senior pastor of Cleveland's Parkside Church. He is the voice behind the **Truth For Life** Christian radio preaching and teaching ministry, which broadcasts his sermons daily to stations across the USA.

This course is at the "halfway" point having reached chapter 8 of Mark's 16 chapter Gospel. Mark's Gospel emphasizes the certainty that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and the fulfillment of God's purpose. As Rev. Begg takes us through this gospel, we discover that Jesus deals with a common theme – sin. Whether we are indifferent towards sin or think that our goodness neutralizes our sin, every person must realize that we are lost apart from the forgiveness available in Christ. We are reminded that Christ's arrival onto the stage of human history was a redemptive event that was ordained by God.

In a time of stress and strain, such as the current global Coronavirus pandemic, its helpful to gather (with appropriate space) to be fed by God's reassuring word of hope and peace as found in Mark's gospel.

### **ADULT FORUM:**

**Chuck McCabe** continues to led the "Charlie's Angels" Bible Study class which meets in our Chapel room off of the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday morning 9:15 am to 10:15 am Sunday School hour. Each week Chuck dives deep into interesting topics of Bible Study. Most recently has been an in depth look at John 3:16. It might be the "gospel in miniature" but this little verse's impact is Gigantic!

### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

Rally Day attendance was the lowest in years but thankfully we bounced back on the following Sundays of Sept. with anywhere from 4 to 8 in the elementary

ages.

Our Junior High and High School class is having a steady attendance of 3-5 youth out of our possible enrollment of 18 so that's a pretty high percentage of attenders. Our Youth Director, Matthew Crutchfield is having a good time introducing the kids to the book of Psalms and schooling them at foosball. ;-)

We're still in need of Sunday School teachers and looking for ways to increase our regular attendance. If you can help or have helpful ideas please contact our Christian Education Chairperson, **Chris Kondas**.

### YOUTH:

Ed Schaefer, Jr., Chairman

Matthew Crutchfield, Youth Director

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES, EVERY OTHER SUNDAY NIGHT 5:00 PM—7:00 PM.** The Confirmation program at GLC is a three year program designed for Junior High Youth (6th-8th grade) to learn the basics of Christianity (The Old & New Testaments, Catechism). It is designed to encourage them in a personal relationship with Christ and making a public affirmation of their faith. This format of Sunday nights will be a return to what has been done in the past. The every other Sun. evening format allows for a lesson time along with time for a meal and group building activities. Questions, please contact our Youth Director, Matthew Crutchfield. October confirmation class schedule: Sun. Oct. 10, Sun. Oct 24.

### **LET'S GO ON A HAYRIDE**



youth group "twists."

### **YOUTH GROUP HAYRIDE:**

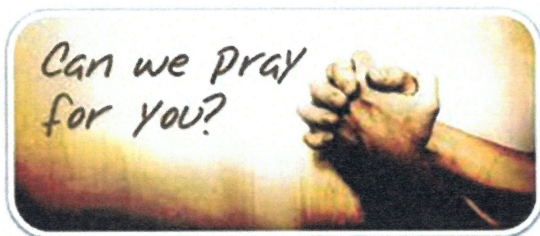
Junior & Senior High Youth are invited to a Hayride event to coincide with the congregational hayride Sun. Oct 17 from 5—7 pm but with a few





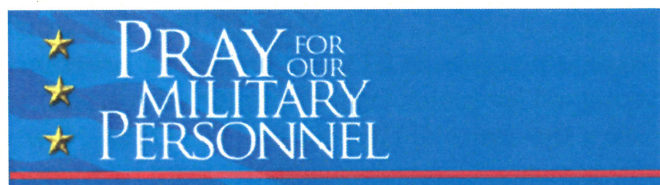
## Member Care:

Joanie Brooks, Chairperson



### PRAYERS FOR HEALTH & WHOLENESS:

Laura, Marti, Brian Bair, Carolyn Bartell, **Jeff Burns**, **Tom Butts**, **Marge Cope**, **Barb Feicht**, **Stan Fishback**, Marge Garland, Wayne Greir, Larry Hive-ly, Gloria Hum, Vickie Keene, **Sue Lotti**, **Cindy McCue**, **Raquel Scheetz**, Randy Schmidt, Jason Schultz, **Ed & Suzanne Smith**, **John Taylor**, Kala-  
ni Tejedor, and **Carrie Toy**.



### PRAYERS FOR LOVED ONES SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

**Lane Bowman**, Kasey Shidel, **Travis Toy**, and Matt Yarab.

### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING:

For the family of Jim and Andrea Welch upon the birth of their son, Benjamin Bryce Welch this past Sept. Proud grandparents are **George and Carol Landis**

For **Dave & Kathy Chizmar**, who are recovering from their bout with the COVID 19 virus.

For Marian Fisher, **Delaine DeChellis'** mom re-  
covering well from surgery.

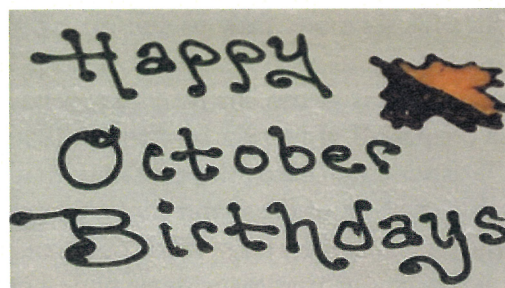
### MEMBER CARE UPDATE:

This month the committee provided mums for Pastor to deliver on his visits. **Pam Hiner** delivered fresh garden veggies and small meals to several members and **Donna Harbin** reports so far this year she has sent 62 care cards! Plans are being made to make more freezer meals or soups that can be kept on hand to provide to fam-  
ilies in need. If interested in helping with this project please contact **Joanie Brooks**,



# Happy October Anniversaries!!!

3..... **Scott & Stephanie Yungen**  
12..... **George & Carrie Toy**  
14..... **Eric & Cindy Ericson**  
19..... **Dan & Vicky Elwood**  
21..... **Cory & Tara Bower**



1 ..... **Anna Brooks**  
2 ..... **Curt Kaiser**  
6 ..... **Lee Drexler**  
..... **Dani Ward**  
7 ..... **Kathy Miller**  
11 ..... **Judy Everson**  
14 ..... **Evan Schaefer**  
16 ..... **Suzanne Smith**  
..... **Stanley Fishback**  
..... **Vicky Jacobson**  
..... **Bethany McGehee**  
18 ..... **Caleb Knauff**  
25 ..... **Samantha Scheetz**







## OCTOBER 2021 WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

ACOLYTE/CROSS BEARER*	FELLOWSHIP HOST	Altar Flowers/Candle
OCT 3, <i>needed*</i>	OCT 3 Les & Janice Seidner	F: Les & Janice Sidener C: Stevie Coleman
OCT 10, <i>needed</i>	OCT 10 Jen Schaefer	F: Toys
OCT 17, <i>needed*</i>	OCT 17 <i>needed</i>	F: Toys
OCT 24, <i>needed</i>	OCT 24 <i>needed</i>	F: Suzanne Smith
OCT. 31, <i>needed*</i>	OCT 31 Delaine DeChellis	F: Suzanne Smith
ALTAR CARE	A/V CREW	USHERS
Jackie Lipp, Nicole Rothbauer	<i>needed</i>	Clyde Martz, Jeff Taylor
COMMUNION ASSISTANT	OFFERING STEWARDS	LECTOR
Delaine DeChellis	Ed Schaefer Jr., <i>needed</i>	<i>needed</i>
COMMUNION STEWARDS	<i>Needed</i>	

### WORSHIP AND MUSIC:

Charlotte Fishback, Chairman  
 Martha Rogowsky, Music Director Alyssa Titti,  
 Accompanist



Grace Alone  
 Faith Alone  
 Scripture Alone

### REFORMATION SUNDAY

- - **October 31st.** A little over 500 years ago on October 31, 1517 Martin Luther began the Protestant Reformation by posting the 95 Thesis {*Things he believed needed to be reformed in the Catholic Church*} on the church doors at Wittenberg, Germany. We ask the congregation to please try to wear red in honor of this "red letter day."

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME:

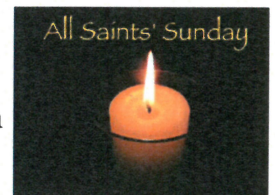
Daylight savings time comes to an end on Sun. Nov. 7 at 2:00 AM. We suggest you set your clocks **back** an hour before you head to bed on Sat., Nov. 6. Remember the Daylight Savings motto "Fall Back, Spring Forward"



### ALL SAINTS

#### SUNDAY - - Nov. 7th

We will be observing All Saints day during worship on Nov. 7th by inviting the congregation to help us remember in prayer those faithful Christian loved ones who have died in the past year. If you have a loved one who died this past year that you'd like included in our prayers for All Saints please fill out an All Saints bulletin insert and place in the offering plate or turn in to the church office.



## Just So Ya' Know

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** is scheduled for **Sunday, November 21** immediately following the worship service. We will be voting on the 2022 church budget and electing council members. We currently need four members to step forward and serve a two year term (2022-2023). Is God asking you to serve in this special way? Is God moving your heart to keep a wonderful traditional small town congregation alive and vital? IF NOT YOU ...THAN WHO? Contact any council member if interested or if you have questions.





## Fellowship:

Delaine DeChellis, Chairperson



**Camp Frederick**  
scenic center for spiritual renewal



### **FALL FESTIVAL AT CAMP FREDERICK**

Join Camp Frederick for a day of free and fun activities at their annual Fall Festival. It includes a Rock climbing wall, petting zoo, games, hayrides, photo opportunities, s'mores, donuts, and hiking. Fair food will be available for purchase from C&M Concessions. Come See the new shower house and cabins up on the hill!!! Sunday, OCTOBER 17, 2-5 pm . For more info call (330) 227-9005.

### **Men's Group News:**



The congregation is invited to the **Men's Outdoor Breakfast** (Ala "Breakfast in the Woods" without the woods) **Saturday, Oct. 16 starting at 8 am.** The

menu includes pancakes, sausage, bacon, eggs, toast and milk, juice, and strong Lutheran coffee!

### **GREENFORD RURITAN BREAKFAST**

The Greenford Ruritan will be hosting a fund-raising breakfast at South Range High School Sat. Oct 23 from 7 am to 11:30 am. The congregation is invited to support the local community.

### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTS:**

Members and visitors alike always seem to mention what a friendly family atmosphere our church has. One ministry that certainly keeps that family friendly atmosphere healthy is our after church coffee hour, where folks have a chance to sit and visit over a goodie or two. We're hoping to keep that happy ministry going this fall by having folks sign up to host a fellowship hour. There are Sundays available in Oct and Nov. Sign up sheets are located on the kitchen serving windows and if you need more details or ideas contact our fellowship chair, **Delaine DeChellis**.



**Coffee Fellowship**

## **LADIES GROUP NEWS**

### **Reorganization Meeting –**

The GLC Ladies Group met September 26<sup>th</sup> for the main purpose of electing officers. A huge thank you to our out-going president, **Jackie Lipp** who served in this role for the last 18 years!! Also, a big thank you to **Fran Hall** as vice president for many years. Our new officers for 2021-2023 (2-year commitment) are: **Sarah Schaefer** -president, **DeErla Schaefer** – co-chairperson, **Delaine DeChellis** – Vice President, **Lynn McGehee** – continuing her role as recording secretary. Thank you to **Carrie Toy** who has served as treasurer for many years.

It was voted to resume the Madrigal Dinner. New light fixtures for the back entry of the church are being explored using Memorial Funds of Sparky Hendricks.

**Willingness to Serve the Lord** forms were mailed to the women of GLC. The Ladies Group ask that each woman please fill out and place in offering plate or give to Sarah Schaefer so she can plan committees/contacts.

**FROGS (Fully Relying on God)** – all are welcome, young, and old! Every Monday from 1 -3 p.m. to work on any project you want to start or finish—sewing, crochet, crafts. Lots of fun and social time.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> –**

Churchwide **Hayride** from 5-7 p.m. Meet at the church and join in the hayride provided by the Schaefer Family. Lots of fresh air, music, and enjoyment. Haas apple cider and donuts are provided by Fellowship Committee.



**Monday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> – Madrigal Dinner is back!!** Held here at GLC starting at 6:00 p.m. by reservation only. Look for details in upcoming bulletins. We're also looking for ladies to make hors d'oeuvres or to help on the Madrigal committee. Contact **Sara Schaefer** or **DeErla Schaefer** if you can help.





	AUG 29	SEPT 5	SEPT 12	SEPT 19	SEPT 26
ATTENDANCE	40	34	66	73	71
OFFERING <small>BUDGET GOAL FOR EACH WEEK \$3,351</small>	\$3,100	\$1,545	\$3,635	\$2,010	\$3,190

## Benevolence/Stewardship: Dave Chizmar, Chairman

### OCTOBER BENEVOLENCE

This month we will be supporting The SOUTH RANGE COUNCIL OF CHURCH AND COMMUNITY. This organization commonly known as South Range Three C's or just "3C's" for short is supported by 12 local churches in the community and has provided the residents of Beaver and Green Townships an Emergency Food Pantry since 1981. South Range Council also offers emergency assistance to clients with utility shut-offs, eviction notices and other financial hardships. All services are provided by volunteers in our community and church. If you want to know more, you can ask our own members who volunteer with 3 C's- **Jeff Hum, Clyde Martz, or DeEr-la Schaefer.**

Dear Greenford Lutheran,

Thank you for your generous \$790.00 donation to Mezu International Foundation towards our Medical Mission to Nigeria. Your valuable gift will help us provide long-term support and in Bringing Hope Where There is Need in Africa and America. We will keep you informed about the progress of our work and in particular the outcomes of the medical mission.... If you have any questions about our work, we would love to hear from you. Please email us at [info@mezufoundation.org](mailto:info@mezufoundation.org)

Sincerely,  
Dr. Ngozi Patel, Mission Coordinator.  
*\*MIF was GLC's July 2021 Benevolence outreach*



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## SOME UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

### OCTOBER:

10..... Confirmation Class 5:00– 7:00 pm  
12..... Council 7 pm  
16..... Men's Group Outdoor Breakfast 8 am  
17..... Hay Ride 5– 7 pm  
24..... Confirmation Class 5:00-7:00 pm  
31..... Reformation Sunday

### NOVEMBER:

7..... Daylight Savings time ends  
7..... All Saints Sunday  
9..... Council 7 pm  
21..... Christ the King Sunday  
21..... Congregational Meeting  
25..... Thanksgiving  
28..... First Sunday in Advent

### DECEMBER:

5..... Hanging of the Greens  
13..... Madrigal Dinner

### BULLETIN & NEWSLETTER DEADLINES:

Please send all **bulletin announcements** to the church office by **9:00AM each Wednesday** for inclusion in that week's Sunday bulletin

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Should be turned in by the **15th of each month.**  
**NO EXCEPTIONS PLEASE!** Thank You



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*May God's blessing be poured out on:*

**Sat. Oct 16**

**GLC Outdoor Breakfast**

**Sun. Oct. 17**

**Congregational Hay Ride**

**Sun. Oct 31**

**Reformation Sunday Celebration**

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SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:15 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 A.M.

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