

# July 2017 Newsletter

## Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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### To the people of God at Our Redeemer,

I am very excited to announce that Rev. Peter Kolb will be visiting Our Redeemer on **Sunday, October 15**. We have been supporting the work of Pastor Kolb since he left his church in Vandalia, IL in April of 2015 to serve in Asia. Pastor Kolb lives in Hong Kong where he serves a Lutheran parish. However, he is also the regional chaplain for all of Southeast Asia. This is the largest region covering 12 countries as far away as Papua New Guinea and Sri Lanka.

Pastor Kolb's primary concern is the spiritual wellbeing of the other missionaries and teachers in the region. The LCMS established schools for the Chinese population in Hong Kong in 1949 and Lutheran schools currently enroll thousands of students. The Hong Kong International School alone has 2600 students.

As a regional chaplain, it is important for the missionaries to be connected with pastors who can feed them with God's Word and Sacraments. This is especially important for those who are working in remote areas. I know how much I appreciate my brother pastors and the counsel of my father throughout the years. I can't imagine feeling alone in Sri Lanka. That would make for a very hard ministry.

On **October 15**, Pastor Kolb will be joining us for worship. I am not yet sure if they will be here for Saturday evening worship. I pray his wife and eight children can come also. We haven't discussed who will be preaching wither, but I will be asking him. Following worship on Sunday, Pastor Kolb will share information with us about what he does and what is happening with the spread of the Gospel in Asia.

After his presentation, we will have a meal. Our Redeemer has a long history of supporting mission work around the world. Please make time to join us. There will be future updates as the date draws nearer. In the meantime, keep Pastor Kolb and his family in your prayers, and pray that God continues to bless the spread of the Gospel throughout the world.

**In Christ,**  
*Pastor Eden*

## Who's Who at Our Redeemer

President	Chet Vahle (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017
Vice-President	Jeff Wolfmeyer (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017
Secretary	Wanda Spohr (3 <sup>rd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017
Treasurer	Donna Haire (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017
Financial Secretary	Evelyn McDowell (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2017
Education Board	Melissa Knapp, S.S. Supt., ex officio	Appointed
	Gretchen Wolfmeyer (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
	Randy Wolfmeyer (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
	Ryan Vaughn (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
Board of Elders		
434-8708	Larry Foster (1 <sup>st</sup> term) Communion Assistant	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
617-7312	Darrell Drescher (1 <sup>st</sup> term) Special Services	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
223-7949	Bill Haire (1 <sup>st</sup> term) Saturday Ushers	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
223-1119	Howard Snowden (1 <sup>st</sup> term) Altar Care	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
242-5651	Terry Lannerd (1 <sup>st</sup> term) Sunday Ushers	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
	<b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>	
Evangelism Board	Michele Clevenger (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
	Ruth Ann Snowden (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
Property Board	Jeff Smith (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
	Steve Kaiser (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
Stewardship Board	Larry Ehmen (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2015 – Sept. 2017
	David Pellman (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Oct. 2016 – Sept. 2018
Youth Ministry Board	Jamie Louderback	



***The Widow's Mite---***

And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." **Mark 12:42-44 ESV**

**July 2017**

**June meeting highlights –**

We had a wonderful time at our annual picnic get-together at Wavering Park hosted by Malinda Eden with a little help from Pastor and the girls!

So glad that some of our rummage sale helpers could enjoy the evening with us!

Mary Morse reported on the success of the rummage sale, several thank you notes were shared and Malinda followed up with a short program.

**June event highlights –**

No events were held in June to report on.

**Think you might like to be a part of the mission of LWML???**

Please...attend one of our upcoming meetings or events! We welcome you to join us in "Serving the Lord with Gladness"!



New logo unveiled at Convention!



**UPCOMING...**

**July 13<sup>th</sup>** – 6pm, Birthday party, Tony's Too

**July 29<sup>th</sup>** – Meal served for the Blind Center ministry at St. James

**Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Monthly mtg., 6:30pm

**Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>** – Carry-in mtg., 6pm @ Reva's

**Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>** – LWML Fall Rally at St. James

*Lutheran Women  
in Mission*

Please contact any LWML member or Colleen Westberg at 217-223-5702 to learn more or go to [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org) to read about the mission and great history of the LWML!

**National Mission Grant Bulletin Bytes**

*LWML has donated over \$100 million since 1942!!!*

**\$2,000,000 National Goal Met...God is Great!**

With all thanks and praise to God, our 2015-2017 LWML Mission Grants have been paid in full. What a true blessing that is! The Lord has blessed the LWML mightily over the last 75 years, which in turn has allowed the LWML to bless many in need of physical, monetary, or emotional support. Let us continue to be generous in our mite offerings and prayers to help in the spread of God's Holy Word and His love.

For more information regarding these missions, go to [lwml.org/mission-grants](http://lwml.org/mission-grants).

# Remembering In Our Prayers



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY SERVICES:

Mark and Kari Adams, Mark Borg, Paul Boriack, Steve Clark, Aaron DeWerff, Michael Goodwin, Robert Goodwin, John Haines, Zach Howerton, Ryan Keller, Jason Klauser, Levi Meyer, Jeremy Schwartz, Aaron Schmitt, Ryan Thruston, Andy Tipton, Marc Troxel, Brandon VanBastian, and Charles Wheeler.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WITH ONGOING HEALTH NEEDS:

Nick Austin, Carolyn Bruemmer, Sean Burner, Steve Dunker, Richard Grathwohl, Lynda Hinkamper, Elaine Hyer, Becki Jones, Kim Long, Meghan Meyer, Michael Morgan, Sutton Perry-Brockemeier, Michelle Reinberg-Page, David Rickey, Cole Schullian, Kory Tournear, Bee Wagner, Jacob Weimer, Vicki Wemhoener, Jackson Wepler.



## REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Carolyn Bruemmer, Ralph Genenbacher, Don Green, Mary Hurley, Elaine Hyer, Cleda Mason, Marilyn Newman, Anna Mae Parsons, Dolly Powers, Joyce Southward, Ida Utterback, Bee Wagner, Lucille Wiskirchen.

## Keep Our Missionaries in Your Prayers

Apple of His Eye Mission Society

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia

The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Harlow, Essex, U.K.

The Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church in Germany

Mrs. Alvina Federwitz in Liberia, West Africa

Jonathan and Carrie Federwitz and their children in Papua New Guinea

Danny and Becca DeLoach and their children, 6915A Cinder Run, Waxhaw, North Carolina 28173

Mrs. Julie Lutz, home on furlough

Rev. Peter Kolb in Sri Lanka

## Our Seminary Students

Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN:

Tyler Arends, 926 East 1000 North Road, Melvin, IL 60952

Concordia Theological Seminary, Saint Louis, MO:

TBD



## Our Mission

To the glory of God we are SHARING Our Redeemer by ...

CARING for one another in Christian love and compassion

ENCOURAGING growth and outreach through worship and Bible study

## Sunday School Staff

Superintendent – Melissa Knapp

Pre-School – Gina Eickelschulte

Kindergarten – Suzanne Troxel

Grades 1 & 2 – Monica Foster

Grades 3 & 4 – **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

Grades 5 & 6 – Donna Haire

Grades 7 & 8 – Donna Haire

Teens – Gretchen Wolfmeyer

## July News

**Thanks to all who helped** with the church workday on Saturday, June 17. We still have **more repair projects**, so please sign up in the Narthex to help. We especially need someone to scrape and paint some exterior windows and concrete pillars.

Sign-up today for **Lutheran Church of St. John's VBS 2017** - Join us for FUN FACTORY scheduled for **July 10 thru July 14st, 9am – 12Noon**. Go to <https://vbspro.events/p/events/overflow> to register online. Imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God. You may also register by stopping the St. John's church office or calling 222-8579.

**Senior Singles will not meet in July. Please join us again on Tuesday, August 1.**

**Please prayerfully consider** becoming a member of the Sunday School staff. There is a **need for a 3rd/4th grade Sunday School teacher** starting in the fall. (Sunday School will resume **Sept. 10th**.) If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Melissa Knapp.

The Lutheran Church of St. John has an Organist position open for our Sunday morning worship service. The traditional service is held at 8:00am each Sunday morning. St. John's is located at 3340 State Street, Quincy, IL. All interested parties may contact Marilyn at the church office at 217-222-8579 or by mail at 3340 State Street, to the attention of Rev. Steve Hayden.

### **SAVE THE DATE! September 25th-29<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

The Tri-Lutheran Church, Quincy Group will depart for a five day, four night trip to the Ark Encounter & Creation Museum! See Pastor Kendall Meyer or call their church office (222-8579) if you have any questions.

**LWML** wants to thank everyone for another successful Rummage Sale. Thank you for your generous donations which made the sale possible and to all of you who came out to purchase. Another BIG Thank You for everyone who helped set up, mark, and clean up. We are especially grateful to those who don't belong to LWML who so generously gave hours of their time to help. We will again be able to fund many mission projects with over \$2,400. Many people passed thru our church with lots of positive comments and several showing interest and unaware of our location.

Please keep us in mind and save anything you no longer need for the 2018 sale. Items we did not sell were given to other worthy causes – most clothes went to St. John's Clothing Closet along with some men's clothing to the Veterans Home. Books went to Quincy Public Library and The Crossing picked up the remaining miscellaneous items. Thanks again and God's Blessings!

### **ST. JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL, QUINCY, IL**

**217-222-8267**

**2017-2018 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT** continues at St. James with 140 students already enrolled. You can be next. If you or anyone you know would be interested in a quality Christian school, please contact Principal Landskroener. He would welcome the opportunity to speak with you about our school and how it would be possible for you to become a St. James Eagle!

**TEACHER OPENING** – St. James Lutheran School has an opening for a part-time music teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. If interested, or know of someone who might be, please contact Principal Landskroener.

**NEW ST. JAMES TEACHER** – Johnna Fuqua will be our new 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for the up-coming school year. She brings over 25 years of classroom experience and is highly regarded by her peers and administrators. We thank God that He led her to us and look forward to her joining our faculty!

**NEW iPADS HAVE ARRIVED** – St. James will implement new iPads in the upcoming school year. They are being processed over the summer and will be ready to go when school starts. These iPads include a secure charging cart that teachers will be able to move from classroom to classroom. We look forward to expanding our technology in order to meet the needs of our students.

**BOXTOPS AND UPC LABELS** – Please continue to save General Mills Box Tops, Hy-Vee UPCs and Tyson A+ labels throughout the summer. They help support our school library! Thank you!

## Miscellaneous Constant Information

### Newsletter & Calendar Deadline –

All newsletter & Calendar submissions must be sent in **no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month**. News-letters must be mailed out on or before the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month to ensure they are received in time for everyone to use. Please let the church office know about any changes or errors right away.

**PLEASE SAVE LABELS - Please continue to** save HyVee UPCs, General Mills Box Tops, and Tyson A+ labels. Place them in the white drawer by the Church Office at ORLC. Thank you!



**Rada Cutlery** is an on-going fundraiser. Rada as a variety of, products: cutlery, stone-ware soy wax candles, and quick mixes. We have started taking orders for our next RADA order. Once we

have \$60 in orders, we will place the order. So, if you don't see some-thing in our many "in stock" items, go ahead and fill out an order form with payment. Please **visit the Rada display in the old chapel. You may leave a completed Rada order form with payment at the scrip table.** Thank you for your support of PLS!

**Concordia Food Bank** If anyone is interested in mailing coupons to the Seminary Food Bank, the address is: Concordia Food Bank, 801 Seminary Place, St. Louis, MO 63105.

### Drawer Cart by the Office Steps

*Top Drawer:* For cancelled stamps for missions. They must be complete stamps.

*2<sup>nd</sup> Drawer:* General Mills box tops for education, HyVee UPCs, & Tyson A+ labels. They benefit the St. James school library. Thanks!

*3<sup>rd</sup> Drawer:* For any type used greeting card fronts. Good Samaritan home uses them to make things.

**Church Office Hours** are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM with time out for lunch between 12 and 1. Staff may be in the office before or after these hours, but please call before stopping in so that we can have items ready for you (keys, sermon copies, envelopes, etc.) and can do our best to help you when you arrive.

### Attention Parents of College Students:

If your child is away at college, please let the church know their new address and/or email as soon as you get it. We would like to nurture those relationships, pray for them, and help to keep them informed.

### Want to Go Paperless?

We would be happy to email you any church correspondence and newsletters if that is the option you prefer. Contact the church office, write your email on the bottom of your attendance card, or email [secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org](mailto:secretary@ourredeemerquincy.org).



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois' professional licensed counselors can help with any problem. They provide individual, couple, marital and family counseling to help address all types of situations. Insurance is accepted. Call 800-363-LCFS (5237) to schedule a FREE confidential initial consultation.

**GREETING CARDS** (sponsored by the PLS group) Be sure to check out the variety of assorted greeting cards. Cards are \$ .50.

**Considering adoption?** Lifelink International Adoption (a ministry of Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois, LCFS) is seeking families interested in adopting from Korea. We're receiving child referrals again after a temporary break and have a limited number of families on our waiting list. Our South Korean program is one of our most enduring (twenty-nine years) and reliable. Learn more about Lifelink's adoption programs at [www.lifelinkadoption.org](http://www.lifelinkadoption.org) or contact us at 630-521-8281 or [intadopt@lifelinkadoption.org](mailto:intadopt@lifelinkadoption.org). Lifelink International Adoption is a program of Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois.

### July Puzzle Page Answer *(puzzle on page 11)*

Be thou faithful until death and I will give thee  
a crown of life.

Rev. 2:10

## July Birthdays

1 Eric Deeter	11 Warren Vahle	21 Crista Fodor
1 Gabriel Vaughn	12 Ava Nickelson	22 Edwin Blumenkamp
2 Rebecca Murphy	12 Linda Waterkotte	22 LeRoy Goodwin
3 Kevin Knoernschild	13 Kelle Baird	22 William Haire
3 Isaac Ott	14 Justin Harvey	23 Alex Schlipman
5 Cameron Casanova	14 Kainalu Klauser	26 Madelynn Jones
5 Jayme Jefferson	14 Kristen Myers	27 Nicole Hines
7 Ethan Sass	15 Nathan Hoebing	27 Stacy Luker
8 Patrick Weppler	15 Kathryn Ripper	28 Stacy Kuhn
9 Palin Cleaves	15 Kristen Suggitt	28 Jacquelyn Weisenburger
9 Anthony Ebel	16 Denise Lucas	29 Lynda Baker
10 Carolyn Bruemmer	16 Alayna Schlipman	29 Zoey Klauser
10 Elizabeth Mix	16 Jessica Showman	30 Amanda Creely
11 William Bowles	18 Chet Vahle	30 Rachel Foster
11 Briana Essington	20 Emily Becker	30 Ray Johnson
11 Abigail Kemp	20 Miliss Ebel	31 Sharon Reinberg
11 Hannah Kemp	20 Julianna Eden	

## July Baptisms

1 Dennis Fleming	12 Carolyn Kaiser	22 Arianna Fischer
1 Melissa Knapp	13 Jamie Louderback	23 Evan Sass
1 Kayla Walker	14 Madeline Ehmen	24 Sandy Callahan
1 Michelle Wolfmeyer	14 Craig Wiesemann	24 Ev McDowell
3 Brenda Fleming	15 Taylor Frink	27 Emily Becker
3 Todd Shackelford	16 Marilyn Lehenbauer	27 Briana Essington
5 Simon Nickelson	16 Avery Schlipman	27 Brad Scharnhorst
6 Connie Louderback	18 Ciera Clevenger	29 Lynn Sharrow
8 Trent Douglas	18 Connor Clevenger	30 Brett Baird
10 Allan Murphy	20 Cailin Clevenger	30 Donna Goodwin
10 Amanda Spilker	21 Bradley Longcor II	
11 Betty Blumenkamp	21 Bradley Longcor III	

## July Anniversaries

1 Gary & Carolyn Cramlett	15 Michael & Emily Vahle
2 Bruce & Judith Burner	16 Justin & Hayley Harvey
3 Robert & Amy Edwards	16 William & Eleanor Schlegl
4 Kirk & Vicki Wemhoener	21 Charles & Virginia Hufendick
9 Martin & Malinda Eden	26 Jeffrey & Heather Wolfmeyer
10 Warren & Doris Vahle	27 Kent & Karen Knoernschild
12 Christopher & Melissa Knapp	28 Sheldon & Kari Foulk
12 Gary & Sandra Peters	31 William & Linda Waterkotte

## Pastoral Report (May 1 – 31, 2017)

### Official Acts

**Baptisms**  
**First Communion**  
**Adult Confirmation**  
**Youth Confirmation**  
**Marriages**  
**Funerals**

May 3, 2017 – Christine E. Clevenger  
 May 15, 2017 – Jean Perry

### Membership Changes

**Gains** [+0B, +0C]

**Baptisms** [+0B, +0C]

**Adult Confirmations** [+0B, +0C]

**Youth Confirmations** [+0B, +0C]

**Transfers In** [+0B, +0C]

**Affirmation of Faith (from other Lutheran)** [+0B, +0C]

**Losses** [-0B, -0C]

**Death** [-0B, -0C]

May 11, 2017 – Jean Perry

**Transfers Out** [-0B, -0C]

**Requested Removal** [-0B, -0C]

**Statistical Adjustment** [+/-0B, +/-0C]

Membership	January 1, 2017	Gains	Losses	May 31, 2017
Baptized	581	+4	-11	574
Confirmed	445	+5	-7	443



## Assignments for July 2017

### Communion Assistants:

Saturday, July 1 at 5:00 p.m.	Dennis Go	
Sunday, July 2 at 9:00 a.m.	Jeff Wolfmeyer	Gary Hyer
Saturday, July 8 at 5:00 p.m.	Dennis Go	
Sunday, July 9 at 9:00 a.m.	Larry Foster	Jerry Lunt
Saturday, July 15 at 5:00 p.m.	Dennis Go	
Sunday, July 16 at 9:00 a.m.	Gary Hyer	Larry Ehmen
Saturday, July 22 at 5:00 p.m.	Dennis Go	
Sunday, July 23 at 9:00 a.m.	Alex Schlipman	Brad Ehmen
Saturday, July 29 at 5:00 p.m.	Dennis Go	
Sunday, July 30 at 9:00 a.m.	Craig Gooding	Steve Schoch

### Ushers:

Saturdays at 5:00 PM	Bill Haire
Sundays at 9:00 AM	Steve Kaiser, Joe Cleaves, Chris Knapp, Chet Vahle, Barb Vahle

**Registration Slips:** Gary & Shelia McElfresh

**Altar Care:** Marilyn Lehenbauer, Mary Lazzeri, Barb Ellerbrock

**Counters:** Wanda Spohr and Becky Lunt

**Drivers:** Steve Hyer, Jerry Manton, Wanda Spohr, Ryan Vaughn



When we go to the doctor for a checkup or to have them help us with something that is wrong we trust that he/she will be able to alleviate the pain and fix the problem. Most people believe that this trust is just freely given; however, trust is built from many components. In order to build a strong family, trust is an essential part, especially in terms of primary caregivers. When children lose faith in those watching over them, they may turn to others who don't have their best interests at heart.

The first and most influential relationship for a child is with his/her primary caregiver(s). This relationship helps him/her formulate how other relationships will look in the future. Enabling a child to realize that family has his or her best interest at heart helps him/her feel secure in facing struggles and confidence in his/her ability to succeed despite future challenges.

### ESSENTIAL KIT ITEM #2 – TRUST

**WHAT IT IS** – Trust is confident expectation of something, which is formed through the understanding of the other person's knowledge, integrity, ability and actions. We trust doctors because they obtained knowledge in their schooling; through their actions and performance we trust that they will be able to help, and if not that they will be honest about it and send us to someone who can.

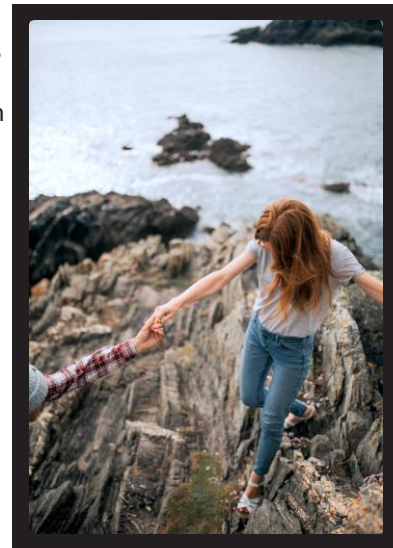
**HOW IT WORKS** – Trust works through the use of unconditional love and intentional, consistent and genuine behaviors. It has to be worked at and if you break someone's trust it is a long process to earn it back. Yet, when you have formed trust in a relationship you are able to reach a deeper level of understanding.

**WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE** – When trust is formed, you see safety amongst one another. Children are not left wondering when or if their parents will be there for them, and the family in general has less anxiousness or worries about each other.

Trust is built with consistent acts. Consistency is needed in a routine, so when you are more intentional in your routine, trust can be further developed and optimized. Trust is a necessity in order for unconditional love to be openly received.

*Watch for next month's Item #3, Family Routine, as we show you the importance of how beneficial a routine is to families.*

**You and your family do not have to struggle alone. LCFS counselors help families generate hope and cope with life's challenges. Most insurance plans accepted; sliding-scale fees are available on a case-by-case basis. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact us at [lcfs\\_info@lcfs.org](mailto:lcfs_info@lcfs.org) or 800-363-LCFS (5237). Discover LCFS and the services we offer at [www.lcfs.org](http://www.lcfs.org) and [www.facebook.com/LCFSIL](http://www.facebook.com/LCFSIL).**



### LCFS offers counseling at the following locations:

#### Northern Illinois

Grace Lutheran School, River Forest

#### Central Illinois

Trinity Lutheran School, Bloomington

LCFS office, Decatur

LCFS office, Springfield

#### Southern Illinois

LCFS office, Belleville

LCFS office, Mt. Vernon

**To schedule a first-time appointment, call 800-363-LCFS (5237) or visit [www.lcfs.org](http://www.lcfs.org) for additional information.**

# PUZZLE PAGE

## WAITING FOR JESUS

by

Bill Schlegl

What is the best way to wait for Jesus? Write the letter that comes 5 letters after the letter given to learn this wonderful way.

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