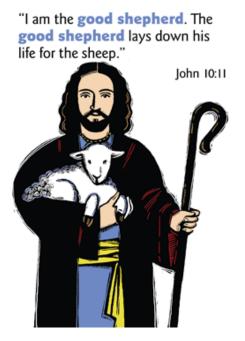
Zion Lutheran Church



April 25th, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- **zlcb.org** – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. Visitors desiring to commune are asked to please announce their intentions to an elder or pastor. Everyone is welcome to sing the hymns during communion as we contemplate Christ's mercy to us.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office.

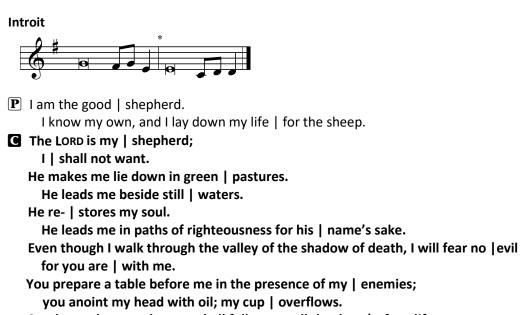
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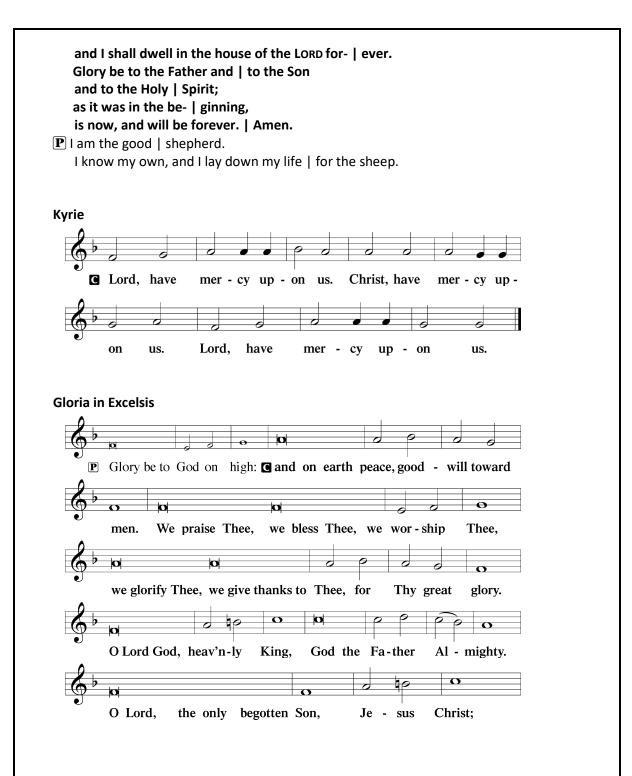
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word



Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,



O Ο 0 Ο O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, Θ O Ο that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us. ο O Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer. Θ O O Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -0 Ø ο O on For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord. us. ο O O Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho ly Ghost, O art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men. Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading – Acts 4:1–12

As they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be

P This is the Word of the Lord.C Thanks be to God.

Grace Bell Choir – Crown Him with Many Crowns (10:30)

Epistle Reading – 1 John 3:16–24

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.



[Jesus said:] "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

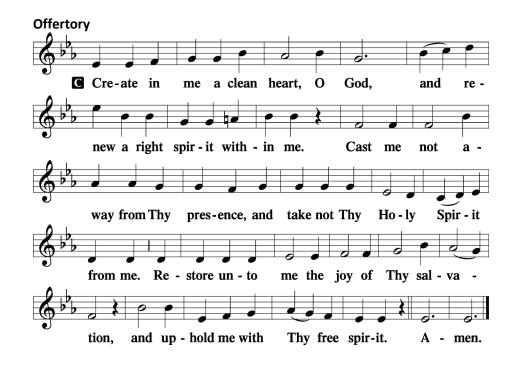
P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise be to Thee, 0 Christ. Nicene Creed **C** I believe in one God. the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day – The King of Love My Shepherd Is

- The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
 I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.
- Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.
- Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me
 And on His shoulder gently laid
 And home rejoicing brought me.

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- In death's dark vale I fear no ill
 With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,
 Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
 Thy cross before to guide me.
- Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;
 And, oh, what transport of delight
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!



Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

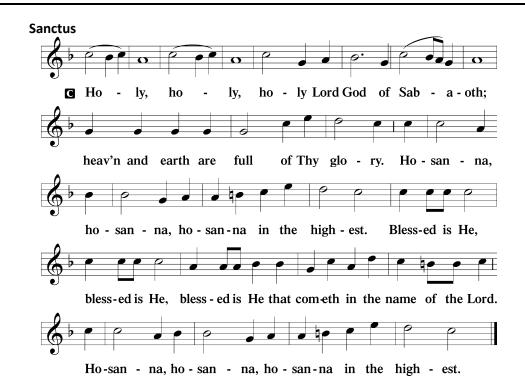
P ... Lord in your mercy.

C ... Hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

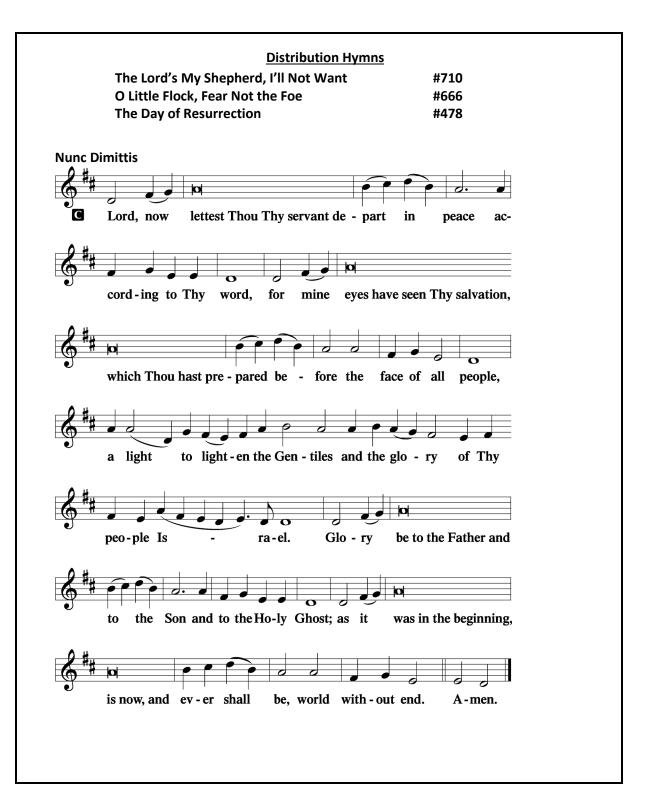
The Words of Our Lord

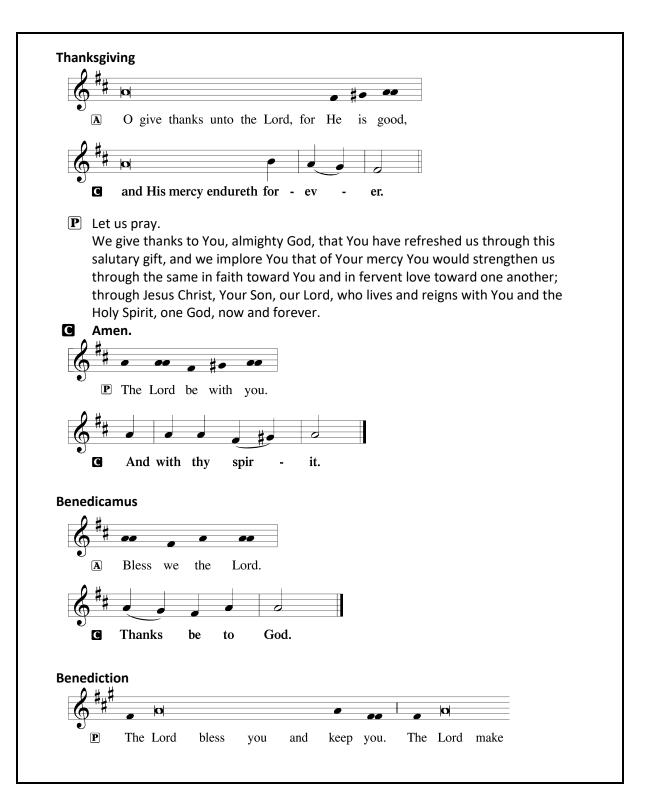
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

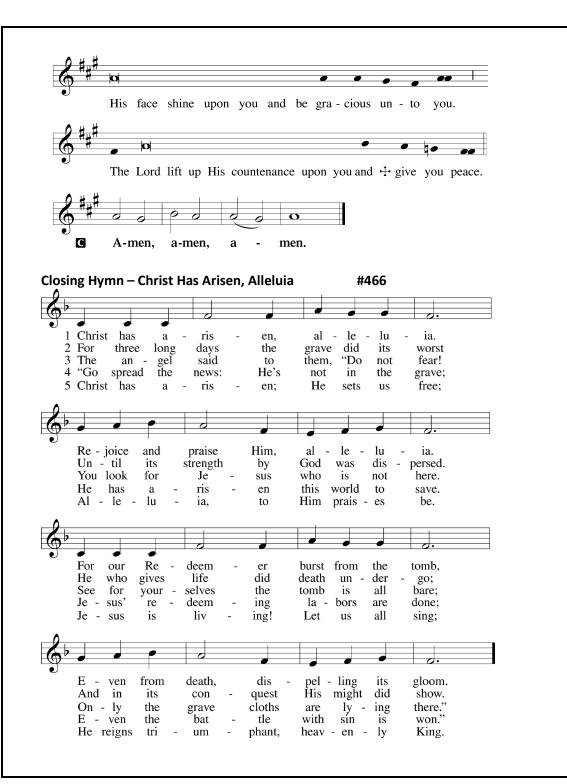
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

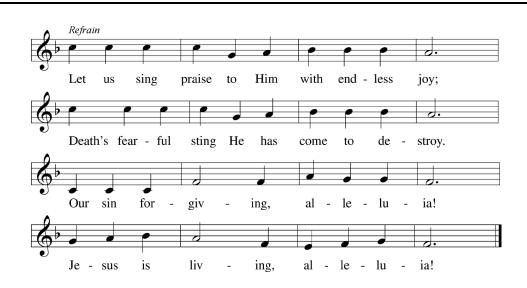


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Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

-For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, John & Bobbie Hoelle, and Vince Kimberland.

-Healing for: Dwayne Kaufman, Millie Thielet, Mamie Papeaka, Carol Wuerthele, Ruth Rostron, Patti Neill, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Elias Kazas, Janet Hickey, Marian Siek, Don and Deana Thielet, Dave Hutula, Ron Valentino, Norma Dyson, Mabel Granke, Mary Reihing, and Jennifer Meyer.

-For our missions/missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.

-For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

-For an end to the pandemic, and for the safety of all who are fighting it. -For an end to abortion and human trafficking. -For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

For our leaders and government officials.
For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.
For the disabled, unborn and aged.
For those whose work it is to protect us.
For godly care of the earth.



1	Service Participants 🕇
Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandy Quinlan
The Elders:	Roger Diederich & Mike Wallace
The Acolyte:	Decklan Pasquini (8:00) Christian Bonacci (10:30)
The Ushers:	Shane Bryant, Bill Schrag Ken Schrag, Tim Sheldon (8:00) Mike Kozak, Susie Bishop Anna Gresh, John Lemonovich (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Paula Jones in memory husband Harry Jones and by Tracey & Dan Harris in celebration of Ryan's birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Clara Hayes in memory of her husband, Paul Hayes.

VOTER'S MEETING TODAY AFTER SECOND SERVICE

in the Fellowship Hall. Light lunch will be served and social distancing guidelines will be followed. The progress of our Forward in Faith Kitchen Campaign, the upcoming church budgeting process, and other important items will be discussed.



Last Week in Worship

Saturday Worship Attendance (4/17) -- 13 Sunday Worship Attendance (4/18) – 39 (8 am); 60 (10:30 am) Wednesday Worship Attendance (4/21) -- 13 Sunday Offering (4/18) – \$2597 Online Offering – \$2410

This Week at Zion	
SUN 4/25	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15/9:20 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday Sch. 10:30 AM – Worship All-Church Voter's Meeting Following Second Service
MON 4/26	6:00 PM – 1 st year Confirmation Class 6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:00 PM – 2 nd year Confirmation Class 7:15 PM – Choir 8:15 PM – Faith Bell Choir
TUE 4/27	7:00 PM – Sunday School/VBS Meeting
WED 4/28	7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching
THU 4/29	
FRI 4/30	
SAT 5/1	3:30 PM – Coyle/Blayney Wedding
SUN 5/2	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15/9:20 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday Sch. 10:30 AM – Worship

Concordia Lutheran Ministries 2021 CLM Golf Classic

Treesdale Golf & Country Club Monday, July 12, 2021

8:30 a.m. - Registration, Breakfast, Gifts & Skill Contests (Putting Green and Driving Range open) 10 a.m. - Shot Gun Start (Scramble) 3 p.m. - Reception 4 p.m. - Banquet & Program

Several Zion Members have already registered for this event which benefits CLM's benevolent care fund!

If you'd like to play and are interested in joining a group of other Zion golfers, contact Bill Bishop at wrbishopiii@gmail.com or 412-398-1796. The event fee of \$225 per golfer includes breakfast, lunch, refreshments, dinner and a silent auction.

We Need You!

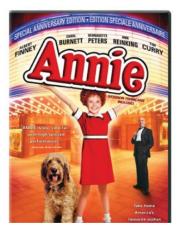
At Vacation Bible School



We are planning in-person VBS the week of June 21 – 25 from 9am – noon. The VBS team is developing a safe environment for both students and volunteers. <u>At this point,</u> <u>our current and most important need is</u> <u>volunteers to help in areas such as the</u>

nursery and guiding children to VBS stations. More details to come, but if you would like to help or have any questions, you can contact Katie Gielarowski at sundayschool@zlcb.org, or in person. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you can share Christ's love with his children!





Redeemer Lutheran School (K-12) in Oakmont

is pleased to present the musical Annie through OnDemand streaming! After months of preparation, students are excited to perform for a virtual audience. Those interested in viewing the performance may do so online between <u>Friday 4/30 @</u> <u>noon and Sunday 5/1 @ noon</u>. Links may be purchased for only \$15 each at the website Showtix4U (search under "Events" for "Redeemer Lutheran School") or go to <u>https://</u> <u>www.showtix4u.com/event-details/50328</u>.

Please consider using the DONATE button on the Showtix4U site to support Redeemer and it Arts Education program!

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

What is the "liturgy"?

Maybe you have heard this word before. The word "liturgy" (pronounced LI-tur-jee) comes from the Greek word "leitourgia," which means "public service" or "divine service." The liturgy is God's service to us through Word and Sacrament.

Why do we use it?

Just as the word "liturgy" means "divine service," God is the one serving us in our Lutheran worship. We are simply responding to Him with thanksgiving and praise. Isn't it wonderful to be involved in worship that has God doing all of the work through His Word and Sacraments? As a matter of fact, almost all of the words in the liturgy come straight out of the Bible! What a great way to worship on Sunday morning!



Parents: Before or after the Divine Service, direct your children to the various services in the hymnal. Encourage use of the liturgy with your family at home. Matins (*LSB*, 219) and Vespers (*LSB*, 229) make for great family devotions.

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