



St. Paul's Messenger

A monthly newsletter for friends and family

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Attendance

December 3	86
December 10	110
December 17	131
December 24	
9:15 a.m.	66
2:00 p.m.	101
6:00 p.m.	89

Thank you to Marguerite Jochimsen for sponsoring the January newsletter.

A MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT VAL BACH

Blessings and Warm Wishes to you all.

What a wonderful time of year this is! The time when we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. And, it's not just a birthday...the gift of Jesus is the greatest gift of all. One that keeps on giving. God gave us this wonderful blessing so that we can have eternal life!

I was lucky enough to enjoy, in person, the children's Christmas program on December 17. The message was about the Twelve Symbols of Christmas and the narrative explained exactly what many of the typical things we see during the Christmas holiday season represent. All of the participation from the kids made me smile ear to ear. Such a meaningful message, very well done!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the program (from everyone involved in planning the program to all of those who participated in the program. Also, thank you to everyone who was able to attend and encourage this amazing group as they presented to the congregation).

To top off the day, we welcomed five new families to St. Paul's. Yes, five!! What a wonderful testament to St. Paul's members for making St. Paul's a church that generates a welcoming feeling along with excitement created by you, the members, and the leadership here! Welcome to all of you! And, thank you, for joining us as we continue to spread God's word and fulfill His mission.

In addition to the Christmas program and the welcoming of our newest members, we had a hugely successful bake sale. Thank you to all who brought items for the sale and to all who purchased items. What a great selection and great participation. Just another sign of the growth and exciting things happening at St. Paul's.

The Church Council does have one open position. If you are interested in joining the church council at St. Paul's, please reach out to myself or any of the other Council members. This is a great opportunity to lead the membership and continue the growth of St. Paul's.

Another reason for excitement at St. Paul's is the recent approval to transition Pastor Bob's role as the interim Pastor for St. Paul's and Our Saviour's over to Barb Krug. Barb has been and continues to be a huge asset to both our congregations. Barb taking over as interim pastor will allow Pastor Bob to actually more closely relate what to retirement truly means.

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Congratulations to both and thank you for all that you do for our congregations. You truly are one of the many blessings God has bestowed upon us!

Looking forward to our upcoming joint worship service being hosted by Our Saviour's on Sunday, December 31, at the hall of B.S. Bar & Catering. Worship begins at 9:00 with food and fellowship following the service at 10:00 a.m. What a wonderful way to bring in the new year. Please join us. No need to worry about bringing a dish to pass, everything is being provided by the Craig (Bear), Bruce and Barb Krug families. Thank you so much for your generosity and making this event possible.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. God's Work...Our Hands.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR BOB GIESE

Members and Friends of St. Paul's Lutheran:

It has been my honor and privilege to be the administrative interim pastor for Our Saviour's and St. Paul's this past year. Leading worship and attending meetings and visiting some people have been a good experience.

However, beginning January 1, 2024, Synodically Authorized Minister Barb Krug will be taking over the duties of administrative interim, adding those to her duties as SAM for our two congregations. First I discussed this possibility with Barb, who was enthusiastic about the idea. Then I got approval from Pastor Randy Olson, the Synod staff member in charge of such things. Finally, the Joint Council approved the plan at their December meeting.

Here were my main reasons for suggesting this change:

1. I believe Barb will be good at it - better than I am.
2. I wish to concentrate my retirement pastoral efforts on my work with SAMs - teaching, listening, mentoring. There are now over 30 SAMs in our Synod.
3. I need to return to being more retired than I have been for much of this year so I can spend more quality time with Jo, whose heart and mobility health issues continue to be challenging.

This does not mean you won't see me anymore. I will continue to lead worship at both congregations about once per month as needed and available. I will also be available to the councils to answer questions and give advice as requested. And I'll continue playing the piano for worship at Our Saviour's.

I've been excited to see what seems to be growing excitement about the future at both congregations since the two congregations started an official relationship last spring. It may be a bit frustrating that there's no sign of an ordained pastor in the near future, but I trust the Holy Spirit is guiding the congregations forward and has great things in store if we continue to work together to share the Good News of Jesus and God's Love with each other and our community. It's clear to me that current leadership is perfectly capable of guiding us forward in worship and ministry.

Blessings!

Pastor Bob Giese

Ojibwe Storytelling series in January—Tuesday evenings, January 9, 16, 23 and 30. In Ojibwe culture, winter is storytelling season. The Wisconsin Historical Society is celebrating by featuring Ojibwe storytellers in a four-part virtual series. You may register at the webpage below. They have organized these storytelling events for the past two years and the archived videos are available on that website as well.

www.wihist.org/OjibweStorytelling



Rehearsals will be held at 8:10 a.m.

Sunday, January 14

Sunday, January 28

We will be singing a song at the service those days as well.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Christmas program was on December 17. We decided to have the children teach the congregation about the 12 symbols of Christmas by performing a skit. These symbols included: the evergreen tree, ornaments, candles and lights, stars, the angel, candy canes, holly, presents, bows and wrapping, and cookies. Each child was able to participate by volunteering to be a part of the skit, choosing to be a narrator and reading Bible verses about each of the 12 symbols. The entire group sang 3 Christmas songs in the program.

We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends and we hope to see the children back after the New Year on January 7.

Sincerely,
The Sunday School Coordinators
Heidi Haynes and Kathy Hackbarth



CONFIRMATION

A big thank you to the support staff and parents that assisted in the completion of the first half of confirmation classes. We now need to proceed with the same intensity and at the same time complete all the tasks needed to ready our 8th graders for their confirmation. This will be completed with assistance from the eighth grade parents. Watch for correspondence for a parent meeting to initiate planning for confirmation. Again, thanks to all who assisted in getting us to where we are at, at this time. Confirmation will begin again on January 10, 2024.

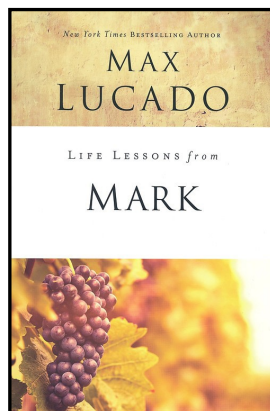
Submitted by Leon Gasek

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

First of all, a big thank you to Sue King for initiating this Bible study group. During the course of our lessons, we had as many as 9 people in attendance. Meetings were and will be on **Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m.** We are studying *Life Lessons from Mark* and will continue the study starting on **January 11, 2024** through **February 8, 2024**.

Lessons may go longer into the year if we run into bad weather days. At the end of this time period, we will as a group decide what we want to study next. We plan on taking six weeks off before starting a new study.

Submitted by Leon Gasek



Bible Study: *Human Trafficking, the Bible, and the Church*

6 week study

When: Monday, January 8, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Welcome Hall

Cost: \$20.00 for book

This study presents an examination of key biblical material on slavery and prostitution. It suggests that the Bible does have much to say that can inform Christian responses to modern-day slavery in all its forms, including the sex industry into which so many victims of trafficking are sold. Contact the office if interested.

Check the Welcome Hall information board for opportunities to sponsor different ministries in the church, such as the Mobile Food Pantry, and the Newsletter.

NEEDLES FOR NEEDS COMMUNITY QUILT GROUP

Needles for Needs:

We are still hard at work making quilts for both Lutheran World Relief and Homeless Veterans. We have made 36 LWR quilts so far, and I don't have the exact numbers for our Vet quilts (or the apartment quilts) - but I'm pretty sure there have been more than 10 each.

We are grateful for your unyielding support of our ministry - and appreciate every single pair of jeans, fabric piece, sheet, and skein of floss that we have received this year. It helps immensely! And thanks to our anonymous donor and the Retzer family memorial donation; we have been able to purchase enough batting to last us the next few months.

We welcome all helpers - whether it's for an hour or for the whole day! We meet every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. We also have fabric bundles available for anyone that would like to sew quilt tops at home.

God's Work, Our Hands.

Respectfully submitted by Tonya Albers

A Meditation Moment

Courtesy of the Kuse Farm Museum and Nature Preserve webpage

<http://www.kusemuseum-naturepreserve.org>

Birch Family
Paper Birch "Canoe Birch" "White Birch"
(Betula papyrifera)



Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

Revelation 22:14 (NRSV)

In Autumn, White Birch leaves turn yellow and then brown.

During the summer, the larva of the Luna Moth may have been eating the green leaves. Look for cocoons wrapped in leaves. Pick them up and place them in a closed container where they can be kept cold and safe from predators during the winter. In May or June, a new, green moth will emerge, mate, and continue the cycle.

In autumn, the catkins of the White Birch Tree get ripe. Look to see if birds are coming to eat the seeds.

Look at the white, papery bark. Young trees have dark trunks. As they mature, the dark bark peels off and the tree begins to look very white. A cluster of "white-robed" trees looks beautiful among other hardwoods and conifers.

Think of the "white robe" that covers us because of Jesus' death on a tree for us.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for covering us with your white robe of righteousness. Thank you for forgiving us.

In your name we pray, Amen.

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LADIES LUNCH BUNCH

WHEN: Wednesday, January 17

TIME: 11:15 a.m.

LOCATION: New China

344 S. 8th Street, Medford



Please call Chris Finkler at 715-748-6848 or Michelle Danen at 715-748-4397 for reservations.

Thank you to the following families for sponsoring the beautiful poinsettias that adorned the sanctuary this Christmas season.

<i>Jeff and Dawn Harder</i>	<i>In honor of James Kasper and Eugene & Virginia Harder</i>
<i>Sally Lemke</i>	<i>In memory of family</i>
<i>Lynette Pernsteiner</i>	<i>In memory of family</i>
<i>Becky Petersen</i>	<i>In memory of my Lovey, my mom & dad, and brother Danny</i>
<i>Julie Scott</i>	<i>In memory of family</i>
<i>Jason & Joan Steliga</i>	<i>In memory of family</i>
<i>Janille Zirngible</i>	<i>In memory of family</i>



We would like to welcome the following new families to our congregation:

Sean, Nicole, and Brock Anderson

Brad and Sada Carstensen

Harley, Sam, Dylan, and Jaxon Cook

Brandon, Ashley, Emmett, Myles and Mason Mueller

Bonnie Van de Weghe

We welcome you with open arms and pray that you may find fulfillment and purpose in your new church home.



Summer camp registration for Luther Park opened December 1. Check out their program overview to see what is new for Summer 2024. New programs have been added and adjustments have been made to the grade level on some of the classic camps. Camps are available for grades K-12.

Summer camp schedule link: <https://lutherpark.wenginepowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/SUMMER-CAMP-SCHEDULE-2024.pdf>

Luther Park is also hiring summer staff. They are looking for individuals aged 18+ who enjoy working with children and youth.

Staff application link: <https://lutherpark.org/summer-staff>

Blessing for the New Year

O God, you have been our help in ages past, our hope for years to come. As we welcome this new year, bless us with peace. Fill our days with the light of Christ and lead us on the path of life until we see you in our heavenly home. You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.



JANUARY 2024 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

DATE	MESSAGE	GREETERS	COMMUNION SETUP	ACOLYTE	LITURGIST	USHERS	COMMUNION	AV
01/07/24	Bob Giese		Jo Cypher		Gail Heurung		Jo Cypher Marguerite Jochimsen Tina Machon	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer
01/14/24	Sara Bishop		Dan & Kathy Higgins		Tony Schumacher	Brock Anderson	Chris Finkler Tina Machon Jeremy Sperl	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer
01/21/24	Barb Krug		Dan & Kathy Higgins		Sally Lemke		Dawn Harder Tina Machon Sally Lemke	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer
01/28/24	Nancy Amacher		Jo Cypher		Cathy Retzer		Jo Cypher Tina Machon ?	Ross Hackbarth Cathy Retzer

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2024

January 1 Chris Carter
Gavin Lybert
January 2 Tim Lemke
Susan Miller
January 4 Dave Konieczny
January 5 Dawn Doberstein
Dawson Rappe
January 7 Tonya Albers
Emma Halopka
Gary Jensen
January 9 Lily Emmerich
Jeremiah Lubahn
Brett Schafer
Makenna Tlusty
January 10 Lindsay Kahn
Reilly Nutting
January 13 Laureen Peterson
January 14 Tim Emmerich
Richelle Woller
January 15 Ronda Emmerich
Jena Faber
Jennifer Steen

January 16 Jean Brockhaus
Clint Doriot
Darrell Higgins
Marguerite Jochimsen
Kelly Weiler
January 17 Betty Block
Lynn Glamann
Richard Halopka
Emmett Machon
Quinn Nicks
January 18 Randy Sackmann
Mark Willner
January 19 Pat Hovi
Clem Johnson
January 20 Mitch Brehm
January 21 Richard Frahmann
Jennifer Hoefs
Jaxson Sackmann
January 22 Emma Dombroski
Gale Raasch
January 23 Nialla Hebda
Sydney Peterson

January 25 Matthew Gebert
Jacob Knippel
January 26 Jason Cederholm
Kathleen Harris
January 27 Larry Johnson
January 29 Samuel Lubahn
January 30 Tana Rappe
Cash Thums
January 31 Jannell Carlson
Cassandra Nicks

Anniversaries

January 1 Tina & Dan Cederholm
January 4 Michelle & Steve Danen
January 11 Sue & Ken Rodman
January 21 Stephanie & Wyatt Born
January 30 Kathleen & Robert Harris

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Our Saviour's Lutheran **8:00 a.m.**
St. Paul's Lutheran **9:15 a.m.**

Every 5th Sunday – 9:00 a.m. joint worship: to be hosted on a rotating basis between Our Saviour's and St. Paul's. Our next joint service is scheduled for Sunday, June 30, 2024.



Daily Devotionals

St. Paul's offers free devotional books to assist you with your daily meditations.



January 24, 2024

Church Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 13, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Members attending: Marie Koerner, Val Bach, Carrie Zirngible, Leon Gasek, Dan Higgins, Heidi Haynes, Dave Hraby, Sally Lemke, Kathy Hackbarth and Gail Heurung.

Guests: Tina Dassow, Barb Krug, Pastor Bob Giese and Nancy Jones.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Val Bach. Pastor Giese led the Council in a prayer. Prayers and concerns were presented and a request for both families involved in the tragic accident recently were requested.

Motion to accept the meeting agenda by Gail, seconded by Marie – motion carried.

Motion to accept the previous month's minutes by Marie, seconded by Heidi – motion carried.

Business:

Discussed updating the ministry site profile to reflect our current financial status. Val has reached out to Gary Jensen to see if he is able to assist in the annual audit. Council knows there are monthly checks and balances but will continue to try and get the audit done, both for the church and the people who maintain our books. Motion (later) by Marie to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Carrie, Motion carried
Financial Secretary had no new updates.

Pastor Bob informed the group that the pulpit supply is set to Easter.

Sally Lemke was thanked for all her efforts on the Bountiful Giving. A lot of tags were left over and as discussed there may be various reasons for this. Sally has, however, completed the shopping; the gifts will be wrapped on Friday and the school will get them on Monday.

Sunday School Christmas Program is set for Sunday, December 17. Will have 26 kids participating.

Thank you to Kathy and Heidi for all their efforts with the group. Leon mentioned the date that the Bishop may come to visit with the confirmation classes. Pastor Bob will look into that. The 12 week adult bible study has 6 weeks to go. There is a new adult Bible study set for Monday mornings at 9:00.

Nothing new from Fresh Expressions – FIN is not any longer.

No updates from the Call Committee.

We have 3 council members who have expiring terms: Sally Lemke, Carrie Zirngible and Kathy Hackbarth. Carrie and Kathy expressed interest in remaining on the council. Sally has already completed two terms, therefore will not be eligible to continue. Notice to go out seeking new candidates.

The annual meeting is set for February 4. Annual reports are due to Nancy by January 10, 2024 so that she can prepare for the meeting.

Budget discussions were held. Leon and Carrie will look at the budget for next year.

Bertrang will be ordering our materials for the roof. They did not require any payment at this time. We also have a quote coming from Comstock for the rain gutters, so that this can be addressed at the annual meeting.

Joint Parish will meeting on Thursday, December 14. They will vote on Barb serving in the Interim Pastor role as Pastor Bob is looking to spend more time in retirement. Reminder that the Joint Worship for December 31st is scheduled at BS Bar. 9:00 worship with a meal to follow – meal provided this is not a pot luck. March 31, 2024, Easter Sunday, will not be a joint service. Each congregation will have their own services that day. Our next joint service will be June 30th, 2024. Logistics to be determined.

The council asked that Nancy Jones make sure that she is properly compensated for all her hours and expressed appreciation for ALL that she does. Also discussed that Our Saviour's is going to be needing to replace their secretary (Carol is retiring). Some discussion and how Nancy may be able to help cover, but this is being looked at.

Emergency Pastoral Contacts:

Bob Giese 847-899-7211

Nancy Amacher 715-223-5316

Elizabeth Biers 715-255-0013

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Pastor Bob reported his hip is doing well. Mentioned the traveling he and Jo have planned coming up.

Reminder to the council about taking prayer requests from the Prayer Wall.

Discussion on the replacement of the altar and candelabra candles. They are leaking quite a bit and can no longer be tightened. Council asked Dan to see to their replacement. Looking at approximately \$600 plus wicks.

Our next meeting is set for January 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Leon, seconded by Sally to adjourn – motion carried.

The council closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Heurung

Council Secretary

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

The Mobile Food Pantry served 81 households on December 21, 2023.



- 57 individuals ages 0-17**
- 93 individuals ages 18-59**
- 69 individuals ages 60+**

219 total number of individuals

41 individuals visited the pantry for the 1st time.

Thank you to Weather Shield for providing cereal, peanut butter and numerous other items. In addition, recipients were provided apples, raspberries, potatoes, onions, cauliflower, frozen entrees and sandwiches, chicken, soup broth, oatmeal, cottage cheese, ice cream, pasta, bakery and bread. Feed My People delivered 3,254 pounds of food, in addition to Weather Shield’s contribution of several hundred pounds.

The next Mobile Food Pantry will be on Thursday, January 18.
Volunteers meet at 1:00 p.m.
Distribution begins at 4:00 p.m.

If you would like to help sponsor the food pantry, simply make out your check to **St. Paul’s Lutheran Church** and include “food pantry” in the memo line. Business and individual sponsors are welcome.

Thank you to St. Paul’s for sponsoring the December Mobile Food Pantry and to the many volunteers that came to help distribute the food.

Bountiful ThanksGIVING

The school social worker and several helpers picked up and delivered donations to the families on December 18. All requested needs were provided thanks to cash donations and items purchased by selecting a tag. A big thank you to Lynette Pernsteiner and Nancy Jones for all their help, as well as everyone else who purchased items for families and the schools, and donated money, quilts and gift cards. Another successful year and I’m sure we made a difference for these needy families. God is good!

Submitted by,
Sally Lemke

Christmas Bake Sale

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Christmas bake sale a huge success. It truly was a church effort, with our youngest members making invitations, our youth helping with sales and the many individuals who baked, bought, and ate the many varieties of Christmas goodies.



Approximately \$440.00 was raised for global ministries.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	2023		2022		YTD % of Change
	November	YTD	November	YTD	
General Giving	8,734	109,379	10,643	111,546	-1.9%
Mortgage Giving	1,740	21,160	2,034	23,856	-11.3%
Total Giving	10,474	130,539	12,676	135,402	-3.6%
General Expenses	6,379	66,047	8,113	83,376	-20.8%
Mortgage Expense	2,782	30,602	2,782	29,630	3.3%
Total Expenses	\$9,161	96,649	10,895.39	113,006	-14.5%
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$1,313	\$33,889	1,780.64	\$22,395	
Designated Giving	6,213	139,204	18,119	58,567	137.7%
Designated Expenses	5,870	121,467	14,972	47,868	153.8%
Net Designated Income	344	17,737	3,147	10,699	
Net Combined Income (Deficit)	\$1,656	\$51,626	\$4,928	\$33,094	

Bank Accounts - As of:	11/30/23	YTD Change	Comments
<u>General Checking</u>	\$145,607	\$34,434	\$106,329
<u>Designated Funds in Checking</u>			
Building Maintenance	31,340	\$26,267	5,073
Comfort Quilts	726	(\$19)	745
Designated Memorials	4,903	\$2,025	2,878
Fair Trade Sales	287	(\$235)	523
Mortgage Fund	0	\$0	0
Thrivent Choice	332	(\$10,947)	11,279
Mobile Food Pantry	6,842	\$189	4,489
Sunday School	1,102	(\$355)	1,552
Youth Group	11,448	\$408	11,013
Total Funds in Checking	\$202,588	\$51,766	\$143,882
<u>Other Accounts</u>			
Events/Fund Raiser Acct	3,335	15	3,319
Needles for Needs Acct	3,301	192	3,766
Scrip Acct	4,491	(1,473)	6,968
Total Other Accounts	\$11,126	-\$1,266	\$14,052
Total - All Accounts	\$213,714	\$50,500	\$157,934
PPP Loan Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mortgage Balance	\$68,237	-\$82,441	\$156,461

Loan forgiven 3/15/21

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321 N. Park Ave., Medford, WI 54451

Simply Giving contributions are deducted from your checking or savings account.

Giving via St. Paul's Website

E-Giving Download the app "GivePlus Church"



SCRIP cards make great gifts for weddings, graduations, or other special occasions. A portion of each gift card purchase enables St. Paul's to do ministry. Check at the SCRIP counter on Sunday morning or call the office and someone will help you.

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Mission Statement:

Saved and strengthened by Christ, we proclaim God's love through worship, education,
 and service to our congregation, community, and the world.

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Additional Information

Sunday Service: 9:15 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m. (during school year)
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Facebook: [StPaulsMedford](https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsMedford)
Website: www.stpaulsmedford.org



Please read the prayer list in the weekly service. If there is someone that needs to be added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at **715-748-4909** or send an email to: [**stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com**](mailto:stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com)

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January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day (Office Closed)	2 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day	3 11:45 a.m. Worship Committee	4	5 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	6
7 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion Baptism of our Lord 9:15 a.m. Sunday School	8 9:00 a.m. Book Study: <i>Human Trafficking, the Bible, and the Church</i> 7:00 p.m. Ojibwe Storytelling	9 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs Work Day 6:00 p.m. Community Mission With Jesus	10 4:00 p.m. Confirmation 6:00 p.m. Church Council	11 6:30 p.m. Bible Study: <i>Life Lessons from Mark</i>	12 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	13
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