

The Parishioner

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From the Pastor's Desk: The week between Christmas and New Year's Day is usually much quieter and less hectic than the previous weeks, even though we are still in the Christmas Season. So much took place and so much hard work and planning went into everything that happened. Christmas celebrations may not even be over for some of you: you have extended family "get-togethers" even into January. Many businesses and organizations hold their "Holiday Parties" in January (partly because venues are easier to book and cheaper after "the Holidays").

We have very little "down time"; we continue to celebrate and proclaim the birth of our Lord. And before we realize it, Lent will begin: Ash

Wednesday will be on February 14. The structure of the Christian Year calls us to vigilance and faithfulness in living out and proclaiming the Gospel. With the beginning of the Christian Year each First Sunday of Advent, we renew our commitment to grow in the knowledge of Christ and of his will for us. St. Paul continually challenges the communities of believer to which he writes to grow. As Christians we know that we are always in need: in need of forgiveness and grace; in need of strength and encouragement. We desire and hunger to know Christ more fully and more clearly. We desire to know and to do his will.

As we begin and new calendar year (even though we have been in the new Liturgical/Christian Year for a month), what are we expecting? As we "look forward", what do we see or hope to see? What do we desire for ourselves and for our family? What are we praying for most fervently? Life is not static and unchanging; it is filled with many different surprises and challenges. We know that we are not in control of everything. Some of us are facing uncertainties in our lives and in our families. And even though we say we want to do God's will and that we want God to accomplish his will in and through us, we are not always comfortable with what that might mean for us.

Far too many people believe that the reason Jesus was born among us, suffered, died, and rose again for us, was so that he would make our lives easier. Unfortunately, that message is spewed out across television, radio, print media, and the internet, as prosperity preachers distort the Gospel of Jesus and turn it into a "self-help" program. Notice sometimes how frequently the words *you*, *me*, *or I* are at the center of these messages. Very seldom do we hear the call to utter and complete sacrifice of ourselves to Christ, without regard for ourselves or the acquisition of things. The Christian life is about God's glory, not ours!

As we move forward in our lives together as the body of Christ, gathered under the name St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, let us commit ourselves to greater and greater understanding of our Lord Jesus and of his will for us. Let us daily surrender ourselves — as individuals and as a congregation — to Christ, so that he may more effectively use us to proclaim the Good News in our words and actions.

Thank you all so much for the many expressions of love during Advent and Christmas. We are so grateful to be here among you and to serve Christ with you. The many cards and gifts brought great joy to us. You continually warm us with your love and kindness. – **Pastor and Jessie**

3T-Wednesday, January 3 @ 9:00 am

Time of talk, task & tea lite lunch @ 11:30am, bring a dish to share



Join us in this time of fellowship as we cut, stitch, tie, sort, weave. All abilities and hands are encouraged and welcome.

Our plastic collection for recycling and making mats has really been busy and we can use more hands to help prepare the bags for mat making and weigh the plastic for bench collections. We have begun collecting for our 2nd bench. The updated rules require 1000 lbs. of plastic donated in a 1-year period. Any questions about plastic donations can be directed to Carol Scott; all plastic used for this project diverts it from ending up in our landfills and waterways.

*Our collection bins are located at the bottom of the steps coming in from the parking lot.

*Find the list of acceptable plastic items that qualify on the table near the elevator and start recycling today!

Prayer Shawl Group

meets Wednesday, January 10@1:00 pm.



If you are unable to join the group at the church, but would still like to add your talents, please reach out to Elaine Walker.

Old Testament Bible Study begins again, Thursday, January 11 @ 6:00 pm.



Eve Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, January 23 @ 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. The study that day will be "Brought Near to Christ" from the study book, By the Will of God.

"TAKE THE FIRST STEP IN FAITH. YOU DON'T HAVE TO SEE THE WHOLE STAIRCASE, JUST TAKE THE FIRST STEP."

~ MARTIN LUTHER KING

Congregational Council

>Next meeting<

Tuesday, January 9 @ 6:00

Please have your reports into the office by Thursday, January 4. Envelopes will be available for pick-up in your mailboxes, Saturday, January 6.

St. Mark's Financial Overview November 2023

Receipts \$ 24,794.08 <u>Expenses</u> \$ 32,564.78 (Deficit) (\$ 7,770.70)

Afternoon @ the Movies

returns in February.

Mark you calendars for
Thursday, February 1 and
Thursday, February 15!



Don't forget to check out the church library! We have a lot of great selections to curl up with on these long winter days!

There are flower dates available. Contact the church office to inquire about adding your dedications.

Dates open in January:

Altar	Pulpit/Lectern
1/7	1/14
1/21	1/21
-	1/28

Stay Connected

We are working hard to continue reaching out, serving and "being witnesses" through a variety of old and new ways. Find us, "Like us" and Share us!

- Website stmarksbutler.org / <u>Facebook</u> St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church (Butler, PA)
- YouTube St. Marks Butler PA / Radio Broadcast WBUT 1050 AM, Sunday mornings @ 10:30 am
- Newsletter "The Parishioner" sent monthly to your mailbox and found on the website
- <u>Email</u> Parish Administrator, <u>wendy.holt@stmarksbutler.org/</u>Phone (724)-287-6741
- Mail 201 West Jefferson Street, Butler, PA 16001

Help us stay connected to you. Share and/or update your contact information so that we can keep you informed.

2023 Pictures Directories are finally finished! Stop by the Church to grab yours today!

"What fire could ever equal the sunshine of a winter's day?" ~ Henry David Thoreau





<u>From Mary Bates:</u> Please collect Walmart Gift Cards for Maui, Hawaii. Because of the fire that devastated the island, the original peoples lost their homes. Under

_Hawaii law, the original people don't have to pay taxes to live there. Now, the government wants to "buy out" the land, forcing the people to purchase elsewhere, and then pay taxes on their property. They are forbidden to rebuild on their own land. Your support is greatly needed.

Send to NALC Disaster Response Warehouse, 16500 Noble Ave., Caldwell, OH 43724. Please indicate "NALC Disaster Response Maui."

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December 13, 2023

The Dec 9 outbreak of tornadoes caused damage from Rutherford TN through Clarksville TN, impacting hundreds of homes and killing six people.

Mary Bates is on the ground in Clarksville and has been assessing four counties at this time. The first load of emergency relief supplies was delivered Tuesday by Mary and her husband. The second load will be delivered Friday/Saturday.

The **most needed items** are gift cards from Walmart and other stores to purchase new toys for Christmas for children who have lost everything.

The **second most needed item** are rakes, shovels, mops and brooms— or gift cards to purchase these items. The business district of the communities that NALC Disaster Response is working is not as impacted as the residential area.

Thank you for your prayers and support, please send all gift cards to NALC Disaster Response, 16500 Noble Avenue, Caldwell, Ohio 43724. Email Mary Bates for more information on how to help.

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For more Disaster Relief information visit: https://thenalc.org/projects/disaster-response-updates/



"Be willing to be a beginner, every single morning." ~ Meister Eckhart



Answers from page 10: (1) You light the Match, (2) All of them, (3) S, 0, N. The sequence is first letter of the months of the year, (4) Stop imagining!

Katie's Kitchen Newsletter for JANUARY 2024!!!.....

Ican't believe that I just typed "JANUARY 2024"!! Seems like yesterday we were almost in the midst of a 2020 pandemic....and here it is, almost 4 years later!! Where does time go!! So often we get caught up in getting things done for the here & now that we forget the big picture!! Every day we have is so very precious!

Notes from the kitchen....

- ❖ Some sad news.....one our beloved volunteers has passed away. Bob Hoehn who grew up in St Mark's Church, but was currently attending All Saints Parish, passed away in late November from cancer. He always had a smile & was ready to help anywhere he was needed. We will miss his smiling face & corny jokes. Rest in Peace, Bob. Enjoy your well-deserved rest in the hands of God □
- As I write this we are still waiting for the pot filler faucet to be installed near the stove. It will be such a help when we have to boil large pots of water for pasta or rice. Those big pots are incredibly heavy when filled with water. Hopefully this will be functional soon!
- Although we get a fair amount of press, many people have no idea that there are 5 churches who serve free meals to the hungry in Butler, so the community meal churches have been working to develop a consistent identity & logo that we can use to give us a recognizable presence in the community. We have settled on *Community Meal Ministries* as our name to reflect that we are all faith-based. You will soon see the logo that we have developed to use on all publications. Katie's Kitchen will use the same logo but have our name & a tag line on the bottom. Hopefully, it will appear at the top of this page.
- ❖ Speaking of the CMM, plans for Gala & Art Show are well underway. Mark your calendar for the weekend of April 13 & 14, 2024. We are excited to have 2 additional local artists displaying their work at our show. Jennifer Spryn & Martie Easter will be sharing their talent & will have their pieces available for sale. If you or your place of employment are interested in becoming a sponsor for this important event, please let me know & I will get information to you. Last year we were able to raise over \$37,000 to support the 5 churches who do this essential work in our community. As we continue to feed a greater number of folks, this becomes a major fundraiser for ALL of our churches.
- ❖ Thanks to your generosity, we were able to give away wonderful Christmas bags filled with toiletries & hats to our neighbors on Thursday, December 14. We had lots of help from our Butler Lions & several of Santa's elves who were anxious to help ♥. Thank you so much to all of those who donated!! We are so grateful for all of the community support for everything we do!

As we close the books on 2023, we couldn't be more grateful for all of the blessings that God has given KK. Your financial & emotional support allow us to do the best we possibly can help those in need in our community.

As we begin this new year of 2024, may we always remember that our loving & merciful God is always with us! Whatever will happen this year, our Heavenly Father is in charge and will carry us through all of the joys & sorrows to come.

From all of us at Katie's Kitchen,
we wish you a new year filled with good health & happiness,
and many blessings from our Heavenly Father. —justine

Pasta Fagiole- my idea of Italian Fast Food

During these cold winter months, nothing tastes better than a hot bowl of soup. This is an easy vegetarian recipe that is tasty & quick to make. You can add browned ground beef, sausage, or chicken, if you want to add more protein.

- Olive oil
- 1 onion, diced
- Several stalks of celery, diced
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- 2 cans of great northern or navy beans
- 1 15oz can diced or stewed tomatoes
- 32 oz Chicken or beef broth
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 Tbl Italian seasoning
- Salt & pepper to taste
- 2 tbl Parmesan or Romano cheese
- Datalini or elbow macaroni or any pasta of your choosing

Sauté the onion, celery, & garlic in several Tablespoons of olive oil. When onions are clear, add beans, tomatoes, broth, & seasoning, except the cheese. Simmer for ½ hour or so. Add the cheese and cooked pasta.

Serve with a tossed salad & rustic Italian bread.



Special thanks to Jon Palmiero from Honda North for his generous check from the Joe Palmiero Honda North Founder's Grant in memory of his father who passed away 2 years ago. Katie's Kitchen is so grateful for the community support that we receive throughout the year!





12 Christian New Year's Resolutions for 2024

Read the whole article at: https://www.pureflix.com/insider/christian-new-year-resolutions

... The old is gone and the new is come! After the rollercoaster ride of 2023, you may be more than ready to move into a new year. New opportunities, a fresh start - the new year shines before us like freshly fallen snow with no tracks on it. Here are some Christian New Year's resolutions to help you set goals and establish a spiritual tone of the new year for yourself and your family.

"You crown the year with your bounty and your carts overflow with abundance." – Psalm 65:11 (NIV)

- 1. Gain God's Vision Set Goals For The New Year
- 2. Find A Bible Reading Plan
- 3. Do Healthy Things
- 4. Manage Your Finances Better
- 5. Listen More
- 6. Build Meaningful Relationships
- 7. Expand Your Horizons
- 8. Memorize Scripture
- 9. Become A Praying Person
- 10. Make A Difference
- 11.Be Open To New Ideas
- 12. Develop A Heart Of Worship



"Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity." ~1 Timothy 4:12

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Children's Hour Fun in December

Meet a State Trooper Day

2023 Christmas Walk to Bethlehem















"My heroes are those who risk their lives every day to protect our world and make it a better place – police, firefighters and members of our armed forces."

– Sidney Sheldon



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THANK YOU FOR SPONSORING ME!

Collins Kiprono Langat

Male | Born: 2003 | Kenya Education: Trade School

From the Music Department

This past year marks the end of a 10 year commitment that the Sanctuary Choir made "adopting" a student from Kenya through Childcare Worldwide providing monthly contributions toward his living expenses. Collins Kiprono Langat is now a young growth man of 20 and is most appreciative of having our financial support and prayers for his through the years. We are thankful for being able to touch his life in a significant way and hope to maintain contact with him as he begins his adult life.

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**Thanks** to all who assisted with the special music for Advent and Christmas and for your ongoing commitment to the music ministry. You helped to make the services more meaningful during this holy season!



### Baptisms and New Members in December



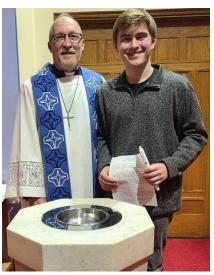
Congratulations to newly baptized:

- Finn Michael Emerick
- Hudson James Emerick
   Sons of Michael & Breann Emerick
   Grandparent Sharlynn Zeman
   Great-grandparent Earl Tirk
   Sponsors Todd & Mary Verner



Congratulations to newly baptized, Chase Franklin Runyan, son of Paul & Kim Runyan.

And, welcome, through affirmation of faith, to the St. Mark's church family, Paul & Kim Runyan.





### Historical Trivia for January

**January 24, 1895** - Hawaii's monarchy ended as Queen Liliuokalani was forced to abdicate. Hawaii was then annexed by the U.S. And remained a territory until statehood was granted in 1959.

Lydia Lili'u Loloku Walania Wewehi Kamaka'eha was born on September 2, 1838, in Honolulu to high-ranking Ali'i Analea Keohokālole and Caesar Kapa'akea. When she was four years old, the princess began attending the boarding school run by missionary Amos Starr Cooke for the Royal Chiefs' children. When she was 10, the school closed as a result of the measles epidemic that took the lives of about 10,000 people, most of whom were Native Hawaiian. Her three-year-old sister Ka'imina'auao, who was the hānai daughter of Kamehameha III and Queen Kalama, also died in the outbreak.

Her brother, King Kalākaua, was appointed to the throne in February 1874, at which time he named his brother William Pitt Leleiohoku as heir to the throne. On April 10, 1877, the day after Leleiohoku died, Princess Lydia Kamaka'eha was named heir apparent and received the title Lili'uokalani. During Kalākaua's final years of reign, wealthy plantation owners and businessmen imposed the "Bayonet Constitution" on the Hawaiian monarchy. The new constitution limited the power of the monarchy and effectively disenfranchised the Hawaiian people. Her beloved brother passed away in 1891, and Lili'uokalani assumed the throne.

One of Queen Lili'uokalani's first orders of business was to amend the constitution and restore power to the monarchy and to the Hawaiian people. The local sugar planters and businessmen instigated an overthrow, fearing a loss of revenue and the influence of the Queen. With the help of U.S. Marines, they forced Queen Lili'uokalani to surrender the Hawaiian Kingdom to the United States in 1893. A provisional government was established and named the Republic of Hawai'i, proclaiming Sanford B. Dole as president.

In 1895, Lili'uokalani was imprisoned for eight months at <u>'Iolani Palace</u> for her alleged knowledge of a counterrevolutionary attempt by her supporters, although it was never proven. Fearing she would never leave the palace alive, Lili'uokalani translated Kalākaua's text of the cosmogenic Hawaiian creation chant "Kumulipo" into English, with the hope that the rest of the world would know Hawaiian heritage. She was later released on parole and when she received a full pardon, traveled to Washington D.C. to seek help from President Grover Cleveland. Despite all of Lili'uokalani's efforts, in 1898 President William McKinley signed into law <u>a joint resolution of Congress</u> that purported to annex Hawai'i to the United States, although the legality of that act is still in dispute today.

"...Above everything else she displayed a disposition of the most Christian forgiveness." -Julius A. Palmer, Jr., when asked to describe the Queen

Read the whole article at: https://onipaa.org/her-story

## Wild flowers of Pennsylvania

### Myosotis scorpioides Forget-me-not

Also known as Water Forget-menot, True Forget-menot, Love-me, Mouse-ear, Mouse-ear Scorpion Grass, Scorpion Weed, and Snake Grass.

### **Growing Information**

- USDA Hardiness Zone: 5-9
- Life Cycle: Perennial
- Approximate mature size: 6-12" (15-30 cm)
- **Bloom Time:** Spring, Summer, Fall
- Sun Exposure: Full Sun, Partial Sun

The Forget-me-not is also known as the Scorpion Weed. The reason for this is because it has a coiled flower stalk like a tail of a scorpion. Some have also said the common name Forget-me-not comes from this plant's unpleasant taste or odor, which is hard to forget!

The seeds of Forget-me-nots spread rapidly, and you may find them sprouting up in places you didn't plan for. Don't worry; you can dig up the flower and replant it anywhere you want since they are not bothered by being moved. I would suggest not destroying the plant because this perennial attracts butterflies, bees, and moths.

Source: https://birdwatchinghq.com/wildflowers-in-pennsylvania/





### **JOKE OF THE MONTH**

Dear Jessie & Everyone,

Thank you so much for prayers & support! It is so helpful to many families we are serving.



God Bless Mary Bates

WNALC Disaster Response

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of everyone at Glade Run Lutheran Services, we are truly grateful for your generous gift for the 2023 Christmas Angel Tree Drive.

Glade Run continues to provide therapeutic riding, camps, independent living experiences, acute partial hospitalization and other offerings to meet the growing needs of individuals and their families.

Please follow our progress on our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/gladerun">www.facebook.com/gladerun</a> and learn more about our existing and new programs and services at <a href="https://www.gladerun.org">www.gladerun.org</a>

Thank you again for investing in the lives of the children, adults and families we serve.

Sincerely, and with gratitude, Cheryl Martin Development & Marketing Coordinator

Why Poinsettias? The reason we associate poinsettias with the holidays comes from an old Mexican legend. A young girl named Pepita was sad that she didn't have a gift to leave for the baby Jesus at Christmas Eve services. Her cousin tried to comfort her and said that Jesus would love any present from her, even the smallest one. With no money to buy a real gift, Pepita picked a bouquet of weeds that she walked past on the way to church. (Other versions of the story say an angel came to her and instructed her to pick the plants.) When she got there, she left the weeds at the bottom of the nativity scene. All of a sudden, the weeds transformed into beautiful red flowers.

Source <a href="https://www.westonnurseries.com/">https://www.westonnurseries.com/</a>



HEAPS of THANKS to all the hands that worked to "hang the greens" this Christmas Season. Your gift of time is greatly appreciated, living the Advent message of anticipation and preparation.

Also, Thanks to everyone for sharing your flower dedications with our church family; your expressions of love brought beauty to our sanctuary. ~







### January Scriptures and Prayers

### January 7, 2024 - Genesis 1:1-5, Psalm 29, Romans 6:1-11, Mark 1:4-11

\* Almighty God, You wonderfully created and yet more wonderfully restored the dignity of human nature. In Your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

<u>January 14, 2024</u> – 1 Samuel 3:1-20, Psalm 139:1-10, 1 Corinthians 6:12-20, John 1:43-51

\* Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful in their calling to be Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

<u>January 21, 2024</u> – Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Psalm 62, 1 Corinthians 7:29-35, Mark 1:14-20

\* Almighty God, You sent Your Son to proclaim Your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of Your Spirit, that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>January 28, 2023</u> - Deuteronomy 18:15-20, Psalm 111, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Mark 1:21-28

\* O God, You know that we cannot withstand the dangers which surround us. Strengthen us in body and spirit so that, with Your help, we may be able to overcome the weakness that our sin has brought upon us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord. Amen.

### Address Updates for your directory.

Please notify the church office with any address/phone number changes, or directory corrections, so that we can keep all contact information up to date. Thank You.

Robert & Janice

James Bahorich

Carol Fibick, c/c
 We are hoping

Call the church office for updates.

### <u>Fun Riddles to exercise your brain</u>

- 1. You are in a cabin and it is pitch black. You have one match on you. Which do you light first, the newspaper, the lamp, the candle, or the fire?
- 2. In a year, there are 12 months. Seven months have 31 days. How many months have 28 days?
- 3. What are the next three letters in the following sequence? J, F, M, A, M, J, J, A, \_\_, \_\_,
- 4. Imagine that you are in a boat, in the middle of the sea. Suddenly, you are surrounded by hungry sharks, just waiting to feed on you. How can you put an end to this?

Answers on page: 3

| SUNDAY                                                      |    | MONDAY                 | MONDAY |                                                                      | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                                     |                                                       | WEDNESDAY |                                                      | THURSDAY |  | FRIDAY |                 | SATURDAY |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|----------|--|--------|-----------------|----------|--|
|                                                             |    | Happy<br>Vlew<br>Year* | 1      | 5:00 pm Bell<br>Choir<br>6:00 pm Choir                               | 2                                                                                                                                                           | 9:00 am 3T<br>9:30 am<br>Children's Hour              | 3         | 5:00 pm Katie's<br>Kitchen                           | 4        |  | 5      | 5:00 pm Worship | 6        |  |
| Removing the<br>Greens!<br>9:00 am Worship<br>10:15 am S.S. | 7  |                        | 8      | 5:00 pm Bell<br>Choir<br>6:00 pm Choir<br>6:00 Council Mtg.          | 9                                                                                                                                                           | 9:30 am<br>Children's Hour<br>1:00 pm Prayer<br>Shawl | 10        | 5:00 pm Katie's<br>Kitchen<br>6:00 pm Bible<br>Study | 11       |  | 12     | 5:00 pm Worship | 13       |  |
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| 9:00 am Worship<br>10:15 am S.S.                            | 28 |                        | 29     | 5:00 pm Bell<br>Choir<br>6:00 pm Choir                               | 30                                                                                                                                                          | 9:30 am<br>Children's Hour                            | 31        |                                                      |          |  |        |                 |          |  |
|                                                             |    |                        |        |                                                                      | Fun Dates to Celebrate in January: 1/9 – Static Electricity Day  1/11 – Learn your name in Morris Code Day, 1/21 – Soup Swap Day  1/27 – Chocolate Cake Day |                                                       |           |                                                      |          |  |        |                 |          |  |

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DECEMBER 2023

FEBRUARY 2024

### **SCRIPTURE:**

<sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; <sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. ~ Isaiah 40:30-31

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