

THE PALM PROCESSION & HOLY EUCHARIST

on Palm Sunday

Sunday 13th April 2025 9.00am

Order of Service



We are delighted to welcome you to this service at your Cathedral, which has been a site of Christian worship for over 1,500 years. If you are joining us for the first time, please introduce yourself to a member of clergy, who will be happy to tell you more about worship in this place.

Everything you need to follow this service can be found in this booklet. Please join in with the singing of the hymns, as well as the text printed in **Bold**. The rubrics (indicated with the '§' symbol) indicating when to *stand* and *sit* are only suggestions. If you are more comfortable remaining seated throughout the service, please do so.

Please join us for refreshments in Prebendal House after the service.

Sunday School

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Toilets are located at the end of the Processional Way via the David Chapel, on the north side of the cathedral.



Please ensure that all electronic devices are set to silent mode.



We kindly request that you do not take photographs, or video or sound recording in the cathedral at any time during this service.

ORDER OF SERVICE

§ The Congregation gather on the Cathedral Green at 9.00am.

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

Hosanna to the Son of David.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All Hosanna in the highest.

Dear friends in Christ, with the Lord we have set our faces towards Jerusalem, the place of his suffering, death and resurrection.

And now, as we follow him into his holy city, we raise our voices to proclaim his regal splendour, laying before him our garments of worship and love. He leads us further still, to embrace his suffering on the cross and to share in his resurrection and new life. May we, who have followed him faithfully along the path of Lent, sing out with songs of praise, united in one voice with the holy church throughout the world. May our Hosannas fill this place and draw others into the wonders of his saving death and resurrection.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it." So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

'Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

Luke 19. 28-40

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ΑII

§ As the people hold up their palm crosses, the President prays:

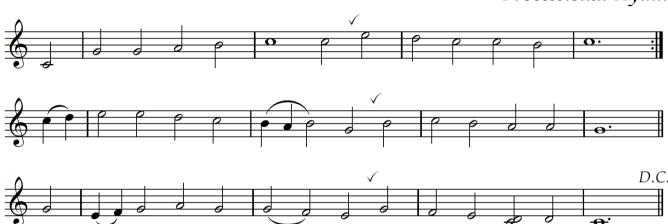
Almighty God, we lift our heads, fling wide the doors of our hearts and open our lives to welcome Christ our Messiah. By carrying these palm branches we acclaim him as King, and with songs of Hosanna on our lips we faithfully follow him through suffering to the new and eternal Jerusalem, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

All Amen.

Let us go forth in peace, praising Jesus our Messiah, as did the crowds who welcomed him to Jerusalem.

§ The following hymn is sung as we make our way to the Cathedral. Please follow the Clergy in Procession.

Processional Hymn



- All 1. All glory, laud, and honour to thee, Redeemer, King! to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
 - 2. Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son, Who in the Lord's Name comest, The King and Blessèd One.
 - 3. The company of angels Are praising thee on high; And mortal men and all things Created make reply.
 - 4. The people of the Hebrews With palms before thee went; Our praise and prayer and anthems Before thee we present.

Words: St Theodulph of Orleans (d.821) Tr. J.M. Neale (1818–66)

- 5. To thee before thy passion They sang their hymns of praise; To thee, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.
- 6. Thou didst accept their praises;Accept the prayers we bring,Who in all good delightest,Thou good and gracious King.
- 7. Do thou direct our footsteps Upon our earthly way, And bring us by thy mercy To heaven's eternal day.
- Within that blessèd City
 Thy praises may we sing,
 And ever raise hosannas
 To our most loving King.

Music: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN Melody by M. Teschner, Harm. J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

§ As the Procession reaches the West Door, the President says:

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

Amen.

§ The following hymn is sung as everyone makes their way to places in the Cathedral.



All Ride on, ride on in majesty!

Hark, all the tribes hosanna cry,

Thy humble beast pursues his road

With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on his sapphire throne
Awaits his own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

Words: Henry Milman (1791-1868)

Music: WINCHESTER NEW Adapted from a Chorale (1690)

THE LITURGY OF THE PASSION

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

§ Please sit.

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

A reading from St Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2. 5-11

Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO ST LUKE

(Please join in the words in **bold italic type**)

N. = Narrator, X. = Christus, speaking the words of Christ

S.= Synagoga, who reads various individual voices.

N. The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

After supper, Jesus went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed him. When he reached the place, he said to them,

- X. Pray that you may not come into the time of trial.
- N. Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed,
- X. Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.
- N. Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground.
 - When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them,
- X. Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.
- N. While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him,
- X. Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?
- N. When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked,
- C. Lord, should we strike with the sword?
- N. Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said,
- X. No more of this!
- N. And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,
- X. Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!
- N. Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said,
- S. This man also was with him.
- N. But he denied it:
- S. Woman, I do not know him.
- N. A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,
- S. You also are one of them.
- N. Peter answered,
- S. Man, I am not!
- N. Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting,

- S. Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.
- N. Peter again answered,
- S. Man, I do not know what you are talking about!
- N. At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him,
- X. Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.
- N. And he went out and wept bitterly. Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,
- C. Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?
- N. They kept heaping many other insults on him. When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,
- C. If you are the Messiah, tell us.
- X. If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.
- C. Are you, then, the Son of God?
- X. You say that I am.
- C. What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!
- N. Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him.
- C. We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.
- N. Pilate asked him,
- S. Are you the king of the Jews?
- X. You say so.
- S. I find no basis for an accusation against this man.
- C. He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.
- N. When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,
- S. You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.
- N. Then they all shouted out together,
- C. Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!

N. This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

C. Crucify, crucify him!

- N. A third time he said to them,
- S. Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.
- N. But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.
- N. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,
- X. Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?
- N. Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,
- X. Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.
- N. And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him.
- C. He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!
- N. The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine.
- C. If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!
- N. There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him.
- S. Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!
- N. But the other rebuked him.
- S. Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
- X. Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.
- N. It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
- X. Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.
- N. Having said this, he breathed his last.

§ **Silence** is kept.

- When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,
- S. Certainly this man was innocent.
- N. And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.
- N. Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.
- N. This is the Passion of the Lord.
- § No response is made

The Baptismal Creed

§ We remain standing to declare what we believe as Christians:

All I believe and trust in God the Father, who created all that is.

I believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed humankind.

I believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God.

I believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Yr wyf yn credu ac yn ymddiried yn Nuw Dad, a greodd bopeth sydd.

Yr wyf yn credu ac yn ymddiried yn ei Fab Iesu Grist, a brynodd ddynolryw.

Yr wyf yn credu ac yn ymddiried yn ei Ysbryd Glân, sy'n rhoi bywyd i bobl Dduw.

Yr wyf yn credu ac yn ymddiried yn un Duw, Dad, Mab ac Ysbryd Glân. Amen.

The Peace

§ Please remain standing.

Once we were far off but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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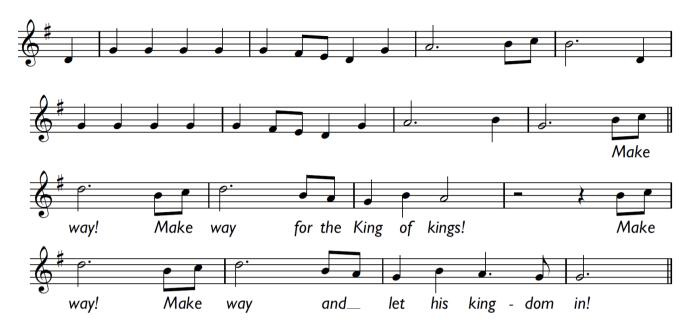
A hefyd gyda thi.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

§ The congregation share a sign of peace with one another.

§ During the **Offertory Hymn**, the altar is prepared for Holy Communion with bread and wine, and a collection is taken to aid the cathedral in its work.



Make way, make way, For Christ the King in splendour arrives. Fling wide the gates and welcome Him into your lives.

Make way! Make way for the King of kings. Make way! Make way and let his kingdom in.

He comes the broken hearts to heal, the prisoners to free. The deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance, The blind shall see.

Chorus

And those who mourn with heavy hearts who weep and sigh,
With laughter, joy and royal crown he'll beautify.

Chorus

We call you now to worship him as Lord of all, to have no gods before him: their thrones must fall!

Chorus

WE OFFER THANKSGIVING

§ At the Thanksgiving, we give thanks for all that God has done for us. We sing the Sanctus, a hymn of praise derived from the Prophecy of Isaiah and the Gospel of Matthew.

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels forever praising you and singing:





Father in heaven, listen to the prayer we make in Jesus' name; through the Holy Spirit's power, gentle as a dove, may this bread and this wine be for us Jesus' body and blood.

Father, we remember when Jesus had supper with his friends the night before he died, he took the bread; he thanked you, broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

'Take this and eat it – this is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine; he thanked you, gave it to his friends and said:

'All of you drink from this cup – because this is my blood – the new promise of God's love:

Do this every time you drink it to remember me.'

Together we remember that Jesus is always with us and say:

All Lord by your cross
and resurrection
You have set your people free.
You are the Saviour of the world.

Father, as we remember your Son, Jesus Christ, who died on the cross and rose again, we offer you these and all the gifts you freely give to us.

Send your Holy Spirit to be with us and all who share this bread and drink from this cup. Help us to trust you, bring us closer together and welcome us, with all your people, into Jesus' glorious kingdom.

All honour and glory belong to you, Father, through Jesus, your Son, with the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

§ Please sit or kneel as we say together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples:

Let us pray to the Father for the forgiveness of our sins and that we may forgive those who sin against us:

All 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.

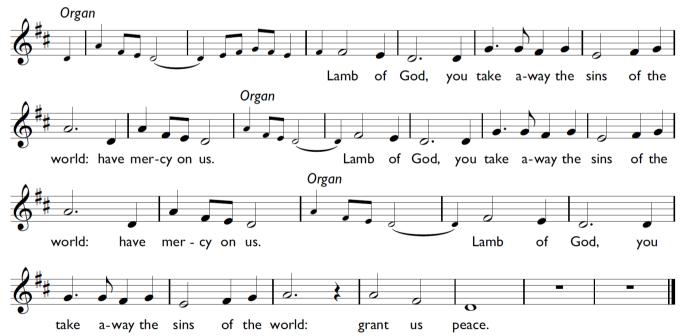
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

We Share The Gifts

§ The priest breaks the bread:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

- All Though we are many, we are one body for we all share in one bread.
- § We sing:



Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Come near and receive the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, broken and given for you. Feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

§ Everyone is invited to come forward and receive communion or a blessing. Please follow the direction of the stewards. You can indicate to the priest that you would like a blessing by keeping your arms lowered. For hygiene reasons, it is our custom at the cathedral not to dip the Host (bread) in the Chalice. The following words are used at the distribution:

The body of Christ. **Amen.** The blood of Christ. **Amen.**

The Post-Communion Hymn

§ Please stand to sing:



All.
 1. From heav'n You came, helpless Babe,
 Entered our world, Your glory veiled;
 Not to be served but to serve,
 And give Your life that we might live.

This is our God, the Servant King, He calls us now to follow Him, to bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King.

- 2. There in the garden of tears,My heavy load He chose to bear;His heart with sorrow was torn,'Yet not my will but Yours,' He said.Refrain
- 3. Come see His hands and His feet, The scars that speak of sacrifice; Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails surrendered.

 Refrain
- 4. So let us learn how to serve, And in our lives enthrone Him; Each other's needs to prefer, For it is Christ we're serving. Refrain

Words: Graham Kendrick (b.1950)

Music: THE SERVANT KING Graham Kendrick Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:

- All his love is everlasting.
- Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Christ crucified draw you to himself, the sure ground of faith, the firm support for hope and the assurance of sins forgiven;

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

y Tad, y Mab, a'r Ysbryd Glân a fo yn eich plith ac a drigo gyda chwi yn wastad.

A bendith Duw hollalluog,

Amen.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

- All In the name of Christ. Amen.
- § Please stand as the Procession leaves the Cathedral.

SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

MONDAY of HOLY WEEK	8.00am 11.00am 5.30pm	Holy Eucharist <i>Quire</i> Diocesan Chrism Eucharist <i>Nave</i> Choral Evensong <i>Quire</i>
TUESDAY of HOLY WEEK	8.00am 9.30am 5.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Eucharist Quire Holy Eucharist Nave Evening Prayer Prebendal House Devotional Concert: Bob Chilcott's St John Passion and other works Tickets £10 (Concessions £5)
WENDESDAY of HOLY WEEK	8.00am 5.30pm	Holy Eucharist <i>Quire</i> Choral Evensong <i>Quire</i>
MAUNDY THURSDAY	8.00am 9.30am 7.30pm 10.15pm	Holy Eucharist Quire Cymun Bendigaid Lady Chapel Celebration of the Last Supper Nave followed by The Watch and Compline Lady Chapel
GOOD FRIDAY	10.00am 12.00pm 1.30pm	Messy Easter Service The Preaching of the Cross Nave The Very Reverend Dr Jason Bray Dean of Llandaff The Liturgy of the Cross Nave
HOLY SATURDAY	8.30pm	Easter Vigil with Baptisms and Confirmations Nave
EASTER DAY	8.00am 9.00am 11.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm	Holy Eucharist [1984] Nave Holy Eucharist Nave Solemn Eucharist Nave Solemn Evensong Nave Taizé Worship Nave



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