

# St Matthew's Anglican Church, Cheltenham

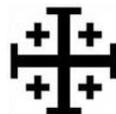
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## SERVICE DETAILS

**Sunday 8am:** Holy Communion

**Sunday 10am:** Sung Eucharist

**Wednesday 10am:** Said Eucharist

Baptisms, First Communions,  
Confirmations, Weddings and  
Funerals by arrangement

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 8am:** Book of  
Common Prayer (BCP)

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month 10am:** Family Service  
with Sunday School

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month:** Healing Service  
follows the 10am Mass

## PARISH EVENTS

**Morning Tea:** After the 10am service every Sunday

**Parish Luncheon:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every 2<sup>nd</sup> month (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct & Dec)

**Parish Breakfast:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month (Apr, Jul, Sept)

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## CANDLEMAS PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE SEXAGESIMA

Sunday  
4 February  
2018

Welcome to our Service today

10am – Family Service  
Sung Eucharist with Sunday School

**Celebrant & Preacher:** Fr Ron White

**Organist:** Mrs Marlene Davies

150 Years of Witness & Service in Cheltenham

## OTHER SERVICES DURING THE WEEK

### St Matthew's

**Wednesday 7 February:**  
10am Mass – Fr Ron White

### Friends of St Francis

**Sunday 4 February:**  
9.30am Mass at CHN Prayer Room – Fr Andre Hassing

## TODAY'S ROSTER – 4 FEBRUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Julie Johnston Rob Johnston	<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Sandra Cooper Kath Daly
<b>Reader:</b>	Fr Ron	<b>Reader:</b>	Reg Davies
<b>Chalice:</b>		<b>Chalice:</b>	Harold Daly
<b>Server:</b>		<b>Server:</b>	Mitch Porter
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Ron	<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Ron

## NEXT SUNDAY'S ROSTER – 11 FEBRUARY

8 AM		10 AM	
<b>Sidespeople:</b>	Cliff Simmons Marilyn Simmons	<b>Sidespeople:</b>	
<b>Reader:</b>	Marilyn Simmons	<b>Reader:</b>	Deborah Howard
<b>Chalice:</b>		<b>Chalice:</b>	Reg Davies
<b>Server:</b>		<b>Server:</b>	Phil Whelan
<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Ron	<b>Intercessions:</b>	Fr Ron

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

2 Kings	Psalm	1 Corinthians	Mark
5.1-14	30	9.24-27	1.40-45

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Introit Hymn: 101 A&M*

- In our darkness light has shone,  
Alleluia,  
Still today the light shines on,  
Alleluia;  
Word made flesh in human birth,  
Alleluia,  
Light and Life of all the earth,  
Alleluia!
- Christ the Son incarnate see,  
Alleluia,  
By whom all things came to be,  
Alleluia;  
Through the world his splendours shine,  
Alleluia,  
Full of grace and truth divine,  
Alleluia!
- Christ a child on earth appears,  
Alleluia,  
Crown of all creation's years,  
Alleluia;  
God's eternal Word has come,  
Alleluia,  
He shall lead his people home,  
Alleluia!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith b. 1926  
Ancient & Modern  
Hymns & Songs for Refreshing Worship

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

*The priest greets the people*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Sentence of Scripture*

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.

Luke 2.30-32

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,**

and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Christ the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts.  
In his light let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

*Silence may be kept*

In a dark and disfigured world  
we have not held out the light of life:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

In a hungry and despairing world  
we have failed to share our bread:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

In a cold and loveless world  
we have kept the love of God to ourselves:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*The Absolution. The priest says*

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners,  
bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The Hymn of Praise, Gloria in excelsis*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*The Collect of the Day*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we humbly pray that, as your only Son was presented in the temple in  
accordance with the law,  
so we may be dedicated to you with pure and clean hearts;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*A Reading from the Book of Malachi*

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord  
whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the  
covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.  
But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?  
For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and  
purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like  
gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then  
the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of  
old and as in former years.

Malachi 3.1-4

Hear the Word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn: 319 AH*

1. Jesus bids us shine with a clear pure light,  
Like a little candle burning in the night;  
In this world of darkness we must shine—  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.
2. Jesus bids us shine first of all for Him;  
Well He sees and knows it, if our light is dim;  
He looks down from Heav'n to see us shine—  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.
3. Jesus bids us shine then; for all around  
Many kinds of darkness in this world abound:  
Sin and want and sorrow therefore we must shine—  
You in your small corner, and I in mine.

Words: Emily H Miller alt  
Alexander's Hymns No. 3

*A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews*

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Hebrews 2.14-18

Hear the Word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God.**

*Gradual Hymn: 44 NEH*

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| 1. Faithful vigil ended,<br>Watching, waiting cease;<br>Master, grant thy servant<br>His discharge in peace. | 3. This thy great deliverance<br>Sets thy people free;<br>Christ, their light, uplifted<br>All the nations see.     |
| 2. All thy Spirit promised,<br>All the Father willed;<br>Now these eyes behold it<br>Perfectly fulfilled.    | 4. Christ, thy people's glory!<br>Watching, doubting, cease:<br>Grant to us thy servants<br>Our discharge in peace. |

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith b 1926  
The New English Hymnal

*Remain standing for the Gospel Reading*

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke  
chapter 2 beginning at verse 22  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## THE BLESSING OF THE CANDLES



The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Forty days ago we celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now we recall the day on which he was presented in the Temple, when he was offered to the Father and shown to his people. As a sign of his coming among us, Simeon and Anna in their old age recognised him as their Lord, as we today sing of his glory as 'a light to lighten the Gentiles'.

Accordingly this day was made into Candlemas, a feast of candles.

The candlelight is a tangible reminder of that greater light which, for and beyond all time, radiates from the figure of Jesus. We are reminded of the need to be prepared to burn brightly ourselves in the midst of this dark world.

### *Responsorial*

Simeon takes in his arms the Lord of glory.

**Now am I set free, for I have beheld my Saviour.**

The heavenly God in mortal flesh.

**Now am I set free, for I have beheld my Saviour.**

He who speaks through the prophets.

**Now am I set free, for I have beheld my Saviour.**

Offering himself for us, in his own dwelling place.

**Now am I set free, for I have beheld my Saviour.**

He is fearful to all, yet his mercy knows no bounds.

**Now am I set free, for I have beheld my Saviour.**

### *Collect*

God our Father,  
whose Son was revealed to Simeon and Anna  
as the light of the nations, and the glory of Israel:  
grant that, guided by your Holy Spirit,  
we may live by the light of faith  
until we come to the light of glory;  
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### *Responsorial*

Search the Scriptures, as Christ told us in the gospels.

**We find him born in our midst.**

Born as a child and bound in swaddling clothes.

**We find him born in our midst.**

Laid in a manger and fed upon a mother's milk.

**We find him born in our midst.**

Presented in the temple and carried by Simeon.

**We find him born in our midst.**

In truth he has appeared in the world.

**We find him born in our midst.**

### *Processional Hymn: Nunc Dimittis (733 TIS)*

*(Whilst congregation turns to face the font)*

Lord God, you now have set your servant free  
to go in peace as promised in your word;  
my eyes have seen the Saviour, Christ the Lord,  
prepared by you for all the world to see,  
to shine on nations trapped in darkest night,  
the glory of your people, and their light.

### *The Acclamation*

Today the Lord is presented in the Temple  
in substance of our mortal nature.

**Alleluia!**

Today the blessed Virgin comes  
to be purified in accordance with the law.

**Alleluia!**

Today old Simeon proclaims Christ  
as the light of the nations and the glory of Israel.

**Alleluia! Praise to Christ, the Light of the world!**

### *The Candles are blessed*

*We repeat the Acclamation (above)*

### *Collect*

Lord God Almighty, you have given us the vision of your holiness,  
and thereby of our own unworthiness to be your witnesses.  
Touch, we pray, our lips with your cleansing fire;  
that so cleansed and hallowed,  
we may go out into the world with the authority of your commission;  
for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

Father, here we bring to an end our celebration of the Saviour's birth.

**Help us, in whom he has been born,  
to live his life that has no end.**

Here we have offered the Church's sacrifice of praise.

**Help us, who receive the bread of life,  
to be thankful for your gift.**

Here we have rejoiced with faithful Simeon and Anna.

**Help us, who have found the Lord in his temple,  
to trust in your eternal promises.**

Here we have greeted the Light of the world.

**Help us never to forsake the light of Christ.**

*The Processional Hymn 'Nunc Dimittis' (page 9) is repeated as the priest  
returns to the Sanctuary*

### *The Nicene Creed*

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge  
the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. **Amen.****

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The priest says*

Let us pray to the Father through Christ who is our Light and Life.

*The response to Lord, have mercy*

**Christ, have mercy.**

## THE GREETING OF PEACE

*All stand. The Greeting of Peace is introduced*

In the city of God, night shall be no more:  
**the people of God need no light of lamp or sun.**

For the Lord God will be their light  
**and they will reign with his peace for ever and ever.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*All may exchange a sign of peace*

*Offertory Hymn: 150 CS*

1. I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord,  
I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord,  
I will sing, I will sing a song unto the Lord,  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.
2. We will come, we will come as one before the Lord,  
We will come, we will come as one before the Lord,  
We will come, we will come as one before the Lord,  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.

*Chorus:*

*Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord,  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.*

3. Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess,  
Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess,  
Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess,  
That Jesus Christ is Lord.
4. In His light, in His light we have the victory,  
In His light, in His light we have the victory,  
In His light, in His light we have the victory,  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.

*Chorus:*

*Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia, glory to the Lord,  
Alleluia, glory to the Lord.*



Words: Max Dyer  
Covenant Songs

*The gifts of the people having been brought to the Altar:*

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.  
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

[The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.]**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Loving God,

we thank you for this world of wonder and delight.

You have given it to us to care for,  
so that all your creatures may enjoy its bounty.

Lord our God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you that when we turned away from you,  
you sent Jesus to live and work as one of us,  
and bring us back to you.

He showed us how to love you

and set us free to love and serve one another.

Lord our God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you that on the cross

Jesus took away our sin,

all that keeps us from each other and from you.

He frees us from hate and fear,

from all that destroys love and trust.

Lord our God,

**we give you thanks and praise.**

We thank you, the God of love,

that you created us;

and continually preserve and sustain us.

You have loved us with an everlasting love,  
and given us the light of the knowledge of his glory  
in the face of Jesus Christ.

Lord our God,  
**we give you thanks and praise.**

And so with everyone who believes in you,  
with all the saints and angels,  
we rejoice and praise you, singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

And now we thank you  
for these gifts of bread and wine;  
may we who receive them,  
as Jesus said,  
share his body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread  
and gave you thanks.  
He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said,  
'Take and eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup  
and gave you thanks.  
He shared the cup with them and said,  
'This is my blood poured out  
so that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me.'

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

You have gathered us together  
to feed on Christ  
and to remember all he has done for us:  
Fill us with your Spirit  
that we may follow the Light of Christ

in all we do and say,  
working for justice and bringing your peace  
to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

We who are many are one body in Christ,  
**for we all share in the one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

*The invitation to receive Holy Communion.*

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in  
remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with  
thanksgiving.

*The sacrament is given with the following words, after which the  
communicant responds **Amen.***

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**  
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

# THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*The priest says*

God of the nations,  
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.  
Guide us by your presence,  
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,  
and establish your justice in the earth.

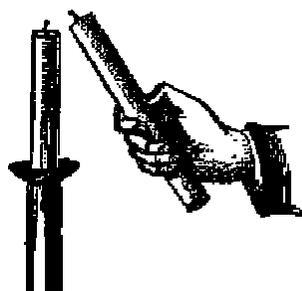
Father,  
**we offer ourselves to you  
as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.**

*Notices and invitations*

*Dismissal Hymn: 675 TIS*

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,  
In the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us —  
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Refrain:*  
*Shine, Jesus, shine,  
Fill this land with the Father's glory;  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow,  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;  
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.*



2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence,  
From the shadows into your radiance;  
By your blood I may enter your brightness:  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness —  
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Refrain*

3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness  
So our faces display your likeness,  
Ever changing from glory to glory:  
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story —  
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Refrain*

*The priest says*

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you,  
that your lives may be a light to the world;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The priest or deacon says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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You are welcome to stay and enjoy a cuppa  
and a chat in the Hall after the service!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD....

Sun 4 Feb	12pm	Parish BBQ, Hall
Wed 7 Feb	10am	Mass
Fri 9 Feb	11am	Aged Care Ministry, Sandfield
Sat 10 Feb	9am	Working Bee
Sun 11 Feb		<u>Sixth Sunday after Epiphany</u>
	8am	Holy Communion
	9am	Pancakes, Hall
	10am	Sung Eucharist
	11.15am	Healing Service

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES DURING THE WEEK



+ Year's Mind  
Jean Smith – 5 February

NOTICES & UPCOMING EVENTS

First Parish BBQ for the year!

Our first Parish BBQ for the year will be held TODAY in the Hall around 12 noon. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Gold coin donation. All welcome!



Ash Wednesday



Ash Wednesday is 14 February, please bring your palm crosses in time to be burnt.  
Services on Ash Wednesday will be held at 10am and 6pm  
Mass with Blessing and Imposition of Ashes.

Pancakes!!!



We will enjoy pancakes next Sunday, 11 February, at around 9am in the Hall in recognition of Shrove Tuesday.  
If you would like to make a donation towards our celebration please put the money in a envelope marked 'Pancakes' and place it in the Offertory Plate. We hope you can join us!

Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 14 February at 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

The Melbourne Anglican (TMA)



The February edition of TMA is now available in the Narthex.  
Don't forget to pick up your copy!

Working Bee on Saturday!

Our first working bee for the year will be held next Saturday, 10 February, at 9am (weather permitting).  
Please join us!  
Morning tea provided.

The Next Roster

If you will be away on any Sunday during the March – May period for roster duties please fill in the list in the Narthex. If you are not on the roster but would like to be, please write on the list.

Simeon Recognizes Jesus

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Luke 2:25-26 (NIV)

Based on Luke 2:22-40 (NIV)



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K I K R V J P B E C G Z O E C  
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A T S M I I S M M E K E R Z Y  
J E A P O E Q E O E O W D T V  
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