

The Holy Eucharist

July 5, 2026

6th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 9 / Year A, Rite II

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

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Welcome to St. Antony's. Our Eucharistic celebration is offered both in person and livestreamed on Facebook. You will find our livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/saintantony/> For those worshipping in person, the use of facemasks is optional and we encourage respect for each person's choice to remain as healthy as possible.

Our service includes both a prelude and a postlude offering. We ask that you use this time in quietness to prepare for our celebration of God's unconditional love for each of us and as an opportunity to give thanks as well as to show our respect for our musicians.

We have been entrusted to be care takers of this beautiful piece of God's creation. We acknowledge that the Suquamish and S'Kllalam people are the traditional stewards of the land on which our buildings stand and we pay our respect to their people and heritage.

Welcome

Prelude

The people stand as able.

Opening Hymn "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" Hymnal 616

Salutation

The Celebrant says to the people

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant:

From Veronese Sacramentary, EOW 1

God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives forever. **Amen.**

Gloria Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace _____ to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al -
might-y__ God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord
God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our
prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a -
lone are the Most_ High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God_____ the Fa - ther. A - men.

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Collect for the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Independence Day

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading – Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:8-15 *chanted, remaining seated*

Exaltabo te, Deus

Tone 415



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8 The Lord is gracious and full of com/ passion, *
slow to anger and of great/ kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to/ everyone *
and his compassion is over all his/ works.

10 All your works praise you, O/ Lord, *
and your faithful servants/ bless you.

11 They make known the glory of your/ kingdom *
and speak of your/ power;

12 That the peoples may know of your/ power *
and the glorious splendor of your/ kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting/ kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all/ ages.

14 The Lord is faithful in all his/ words *
and merciful in all his/ deeds.

15 The Lord upholds all those who/ fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed/ down.

The Second Reading – Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn **“O God of every nation”** **Hymnal 607**

(Verses 1-2 before the Gospel and verses 3-4 after.)

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the crowd, “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my

Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily – The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

The homilist invites the people to sit.

The Nicene Creed (*said together, standing as you are able.*)

**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:

**by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**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.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.**

Prayers of the People *(standing or kneeling, as able)*

Leader: I ask your prayers for those in the Armed Forces of our Country.

People: **O Almighty God, shelter the men and women of our armed forces under your mighty wings; steel their courage in times of peril; give them integrity and honor in all they do; grant perseverance and resilience to their families; and heal the wounded warriors. We remember those who are deployed, especially *Nicole Steller*, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People, *continued*

Adapted from "Hear our Prayer" by Jon White and Lisa Graves

Leader:

Wondrous and almighty God, you have always desired that we, your creation, might live into the potential you have crafted for us; hear now our prayers and fulfill our desires that we may be wholly and enthusiastically your people as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless your church, especially Phil our Bishop and Hillary our Vicar, and give us courage to overcome our divisions, and faith to fulfill our call to bring good news and healing to the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless the people and leaders of our nation, especially Donald our President and Bob our Governor; inspire our very best that we might live into the promise of our founding.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all the places that are home to us; grant us peace, health, and the true safety that only your grace can bring.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless those whose work supports the healing of our environment and the pursuit of a sustainable way of life.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless those in need of healing and care and bless those whose work supports their welfare.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless those who stand on the threshold of death, grant them a loving welcome and care tenderly with those who grieve their loss.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the World Anglican Communion, we give thanks and pray for The Anglican Church of South America. In Jerusalem and the Middle East, we give thanks and pray for Christ Church, Nazareth, Israel. In our own Diocese of Olympia, we give thanks and pray for Holy Family of Jesus, Tacoma; St. Mary's, Lakewood; St. Joseph-St. John, Lakewood.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The prayer list is read.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Let us pray for peace to come to our hurting world.

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as beloved children of one God. For yours is the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes

God of grace and glory, you have crafted us lovingly in your own image that we might be sustained through relationship with you and one another; make us continually aware of your presence and grant us confidence to reflect your radiant love into the world. All this we ask through our Lord and advocate, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, now and always. **Amen.**

The Confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord, then return to their seats.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday Prayer - Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Remain seated for ease in the passing of the offering plates.



You can donate to the church by scanning the QR code with your phone, or by placing your gift in a collection plate.

OFFERTORY INSTRUCTIONS

The offering plates are passed throughout the congregation by the ushers. Please accept the plate and pass it all the way down your row. When it comes to you, we invite you to use those few seconds to thank God for the blessings in your life and reflect on how you are giving back. Giving is never an obligation; it's always an invitation! We know that everyone gives as the Spirit leads, and that gifts of time and talent don't fit in the offering plate! We also know that many people give online or by the QR code above. (If so, feel free to place the "I Gave Online" card in the plate as it passes you.) So whether you have something to put in the plate today or not, this moment is just between you and God. If you simply pray "Thank you, God" each time you touch the offering plate, that is a powerful spiritual practice.

Offertory Hymn "Lift every voice and sing" ELW 841



1. Lift ev-'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring, ring with the har - mo -
 2. Ston-y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas-t'ning rod, felt in the days when
 3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, thou who hast brought us



nies of lib - er - ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning
 hope un - born had died; yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry
 thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the



skies, let it re-sound loud as the roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the
 feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed? We have come o - ver a
 light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the



faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the
 way that with tears has been wa - tered; we have come, tread - ing our
 plac - es, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the



hope that the pres - ent has brought us; fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new
 path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we
 wine of the world, we for - get thee; shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for -



day be - gun, let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 -ev - er stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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The Doxology (sung, standing as you are able)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures, here below;
 praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.


The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2

from Enriching Our Worship


Remain standing through the Sanctus

Celebrant *All*



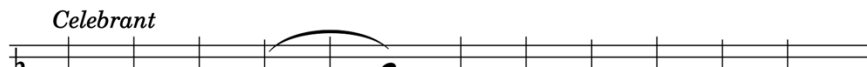
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Celebrant *All*



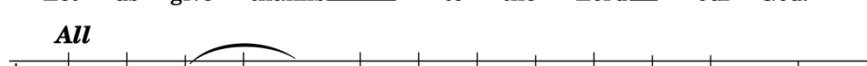
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All



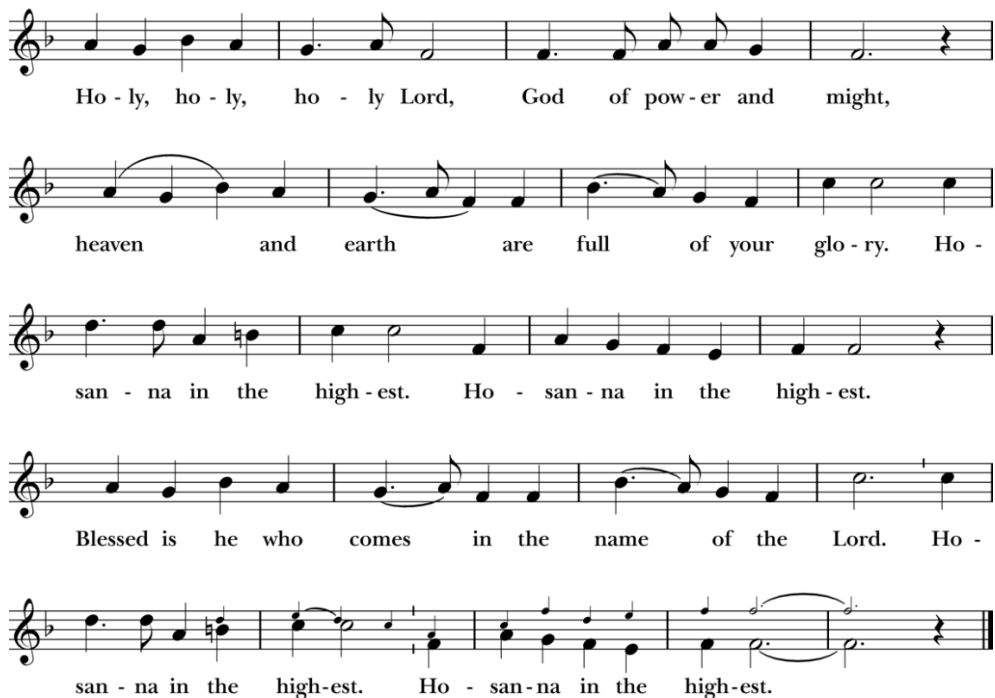
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels: in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus - Hymnal S-125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The people may remain standing as able or kneel if preferred.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is

poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Mary, Antony, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, forever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

The Celebrant continues:

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray in the language of our hearts:

**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.**

**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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Fraction Anthem S-154

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

We invite all present to participate in this feast, regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey. Our table is open to all, as this is God's gift to all.

To receive the bread, please make a semi-circle around the altar; the ushers will guide you. You may kneel or stand. Cup your hands in front of you to receive the bread. For the wine, you may choose either to get a single-use cup on your way to the altar, which are behind the privacy kneelers, or to receive from the common cup. To do so, simply guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer not to receive wine at all, communion in one kind is just as valid; simply cross your arms over your chest when the wine is offered to you, and the minister will say the words over you and move on. To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest when each element is offered to you.

We have gluten-free wafers available; you can request one from the priest at your turn.

Hand sanitizer can be found next to the hymnal and prayer books on the chair in front of you.

Communion Hymn *“Softly and Tenderly Jesus is calling”* LEVAS 101



1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,
 2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,
 3. Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing,
 4. Oh! for the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised,



call - ing for you and for me; _____ see, on the por - tals He's
 plead - ing for you and for me? _____ Why should we lin - ger and
 pass - ing for you and for me; _____ Shad - ows are gath - er - ing,
 prom - ised for you and for me; _____ though we have sinned, He has



wait - ing and watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me. _____
 heed not His mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me? _____
 death beds are com - ing, com - ing for you and for me. _____
 mer - cy and par - don, par - doon for you and for me. _____



Come home, _____ come home, _____ ye who are wea - ry, come home! _____



Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly, Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, O sin - ner, come home! _____

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Postcommunion Prayer *Please rise as you are able.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *“God of our Fathers”* Hymnal 718

Written in 1876 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, God of our Fathers is the national hymn of the US.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude



Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Kathy Gero is our hostess today.

Happy Birthday!

07-06 Ellery van As

07-07 Eleanor Bovet

07-08 Penny Whitney

07-08 Zoe James

07-09 Donna Smith

07-10 David Sorrell

Happy Anniversary!

07-07 - Jackie Vincent and Heather Carnocki

The Altar Flowers are given today by Kristen Fabry & Tim van As in celebration of their daughter, Ellery's birthday.

Flowers arranged by Heather Carnocki

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by Linda Robuck in celebration of her sister, Mary Anne's birthday.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, July 5 ***8am - Holy Eucharist Rite 1***
 9:00am – Episcopal 101
 10:15am - Holy Eucharist Rite 2
 Teen Bible Study

Wednesday, July 8 ***11:00am – Outreach Meeting***

Thursday, July 9 ***12:30pm – Bible Study***
 5:30pm – Summer Evening Prayer

Sunday, July 12 ***8am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1***
Rev. Linda Logan ***9am – Episcopal 101***
 10:15am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2

***The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming community who worship God,
grow in Christ, and serve others: Gather, Grow, and Go!***

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