


A decorative header featuring various tools and a cup. From left to right: a teal mug, a wooden dowel with four holes, a teal bow tie, a teal nut, and a wooden tie.

# 4th Sunday After PENTECOST

A light-colored wooden banner with the text "FATHER'S DAY" in a dark, serif font. The word "FATHER'S" is on the top line and "DAY" is on the bottom line, separated by horizontal lines.

## FATHER'S DAY

A decorative middle section featuring various tools. From left to right: a pickaxe, a teal grill with three wavy lines above it, a teal tie, a wrench, and a hammer.

*Welcome to our home!  
We would love for you  
to join our family!*

A decorative footer featuring various tools and a grill. From left to right: a teal wrench, a teal nut, a teal tie, a teal grill with three wavy lines above it, and a wooden grill with three wavy lines above it.

## June 16, 2024

## **We Gather**

**Processional Hymn: #421**

***All glory be to God on high***

*Please stand & sing.*

### **Opening Acclamation**

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Collect For Purity**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

### **Gloria in Excelsis: #S-277**

*Please remain standing.*

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray. Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **We Hear God's Word**

### **First Lesson: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13**

*Please be seated.*

*Reader:* A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we

will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

## Psalm 20



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- All:*
- 1 May the Lord answer you in the day of <sup>1</sup> trouble,\* |  
the Name of the God of Jacob defend | you; ||
  - 2 Send you help from his holy <sup>1</sup> place \* |  
and strengthen you out of | Zion; ||
  - 3 Remember all your <sup>1</sup> offerings \* |  
and accept your burnt | sacrifice; ||
  - 4 Grant you your heart's <sup>1</sup> desire \* |  
and prosper all your | plans. ||
  - 5 We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our <sup>1</sup> God; \* |  
may the Lord grant all your | requests. ||
  - 6 Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his <sup>1</sup> anointed; \* |  
he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his  
right | hand. ||
  - 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in <sup>1</sup> horses, |  
but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our | God. ||
  - 8 They collapse and fall <sup>1</sup> down, \* |  
but we will arise and stand | upright. ||
  - 9 O Lord, give victory to the <sup>1</sup> king \* |  
and answer us when we | call. ||

## Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10,14-17

*Reader:* A reading from Paul’s second letter to the Corinthians.

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

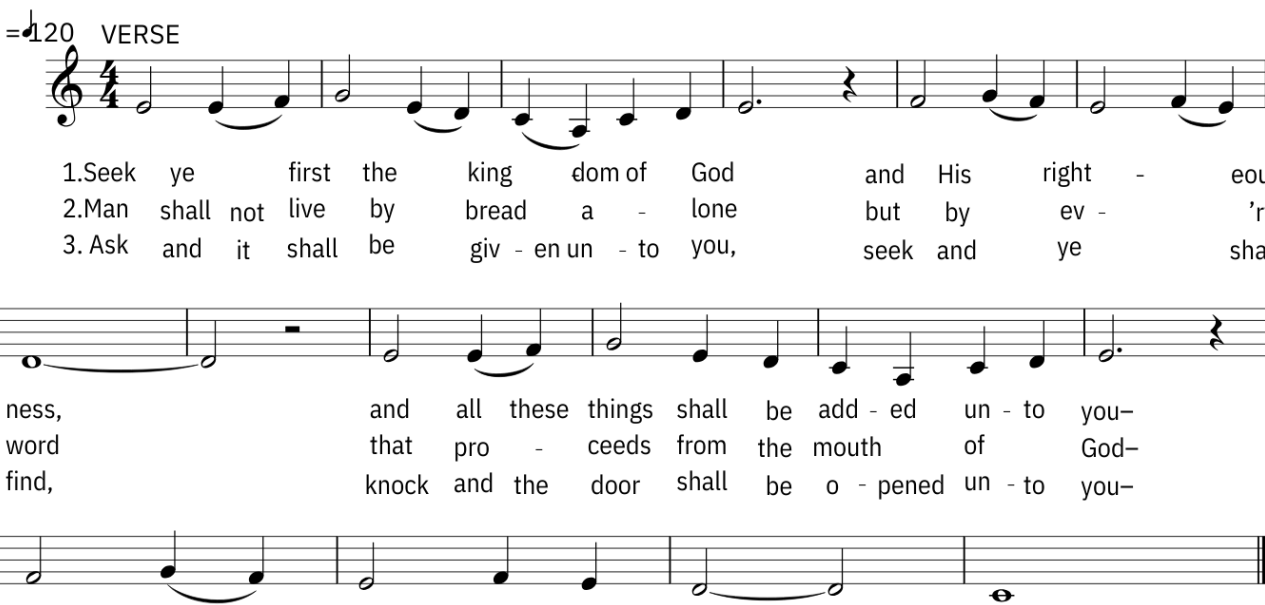
*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

# Sequence Hymn:

## **Seek Ye First** (v. 1 & 2 before, v. 1 & 3 after Gospel)

*Please stand as you are able.*

**VERSE**



1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His right - eous  
 2. Man shall not live by bread a - lone but by ev - 'ry  
 3. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, seek and ye shall

ness, and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you-  
 word that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God-  
 find, knock and the door shall be o - pened un - to you-

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - - - ia!  
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - - - ia!  
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - - - ia!

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# Gospel Reading: Mark 4:26-34

*Please remain standing.*

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon:** The Rev. Chris Cole

*Please be seated.*

## **We Pray**

### **Nicene Creed**

*Please stand 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**

*Please kneel, sit, or stand.*

*Reader:* Bound together in Christ in the communion of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with one heart and mind to God our Father.

*Reader:* For peace from things that separate us from one another and for our salvation.

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Reader:* For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, especially...

*People:* **St. James, Wagoner; Trinity, Eufaula; Diocese of Northern Indiana; Diocese of Northern Michigan; Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.**

*Reader:* For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Reader:* We pray for...

*People:* **Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Chris & Tom, our clergy; Katherine & B.J., our wardens; vestry, delegates, all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. Lord, have mercy.**

*Reader:* For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people. We pray for our leaders, especially...

*People:* **Joe, our President; Kamala, our Vice-president; Josh, our Congressman; James & Markwayne, our Senators; Kevin, our Governor; and Patrick, our Mayor. Lord, have mercy.**

*Reader:* For prisoners, the oppressed, all those in need or suffering, especially...

*People:* **Johnson family, Ronnie, Mike, John, Rose, Karen, Adriana, Fred, Stuart, Nancy, Thomas, Catheryne, Jennifer, Patricia, Paula, Marlene, Alissa, Cathey, Frank, Charlie, Junior, Wesley, Ronna, Rob, Jeanne, Geneva, Glen, Jackie, Ched, Frankie, Coy, Troy, those impacted by war and violence, all emergency responders, United States Military, and those whose suffering is known only to God.**

*Reader:* We pray for those who have died, (*especially...*)

*People:* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Reader:* For ourselves, our families, and those we love. We pray for those in our parish, especially ...

*People:* **Janie, Don, Joan, Rebecca, Laura, Bob, Dotty, and Edwyna.**

*Reader:* Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*Silence is observed.*

*Celebrant & People:* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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

## Peace

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Greet one another in the name of Christ.*

## Announcements, Birthdays & Anniversary Blessings

*Please be seated.*

*Welcome to our guests today. If you are new to Grace for the first time or even if you have been here once or twice before, please fill out a visitor card and put it in the plate. We promise not to harass you, but we would like to include you on our weekly email broadcasts and other event notifications. Thank you for the blessing of your presence today.*

## Offertory

*Celebrant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

*During this time we make an offering to the church to help maintain its mission in creation. It is also a time in which we fully offer ourselves to be Christ in the world around us.*

## Offertory Music:

***Hymns of Praise***  
***Kaia Holder, Cello***

*Please remain seated.*

## Great Thanksgiving

EOW1 Eucharistic Prayer 2

## Sursum Corda: #S-120

Please remain standing.

*Celebrant* *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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

*Celebrant*  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

**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: #S-129

Please sit or kneel after the Sanctus.

**Celebrant:** † 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." †††

**Celebrant:** 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 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, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

### Lord's Prayer

**Celebrant:** And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Celebrant & People:** **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.**

### Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy, grant, us grant us your peace. Have peace.

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**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*At Grace Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the usher if you need communion brought to you at your seat. IF you wish to receive the bread only, hold your palms upward, consume the bread, and cross your arms over your chest when the chalice bearer approaches. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come to the altar rail to receive a Blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest when the priest approaches.*

### Communion Hymn: #302

**Father, we thank thee who has planted**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*Celebrant & People:*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## Blessing

*Celebrant:* May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

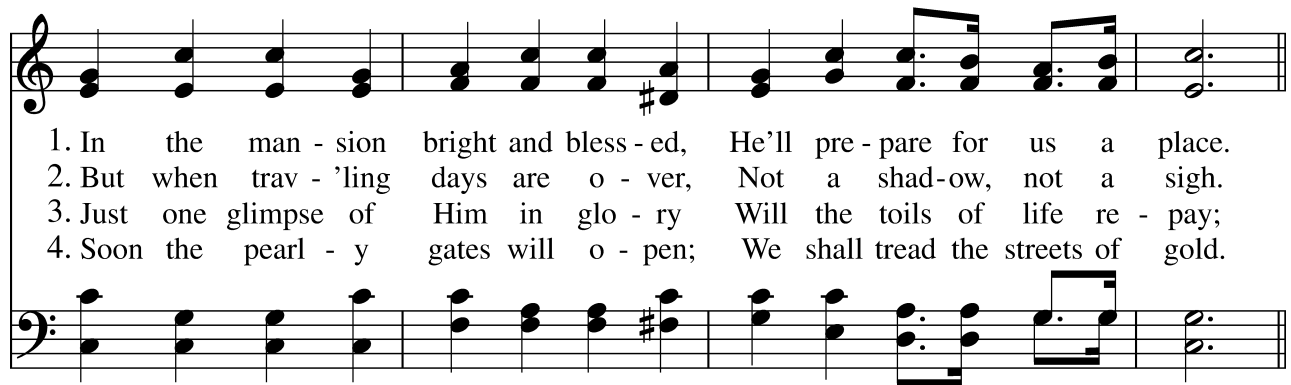
## Recessional Hymn: LEVAS #20

### *Sing the wondrous love of Jesus*

*Please stand & sing.*



1. Sing the won-drous love of Je-sus, Sing His mer-cy and His grace;  
2. While we walk the pil-grim path-way, Clouds will o-ver-spread the sky;  
3. Let us then be true and faith-ful, Trust-ing, serv-ing ev-'ry day;  
4. On-ward to the prize be-fore us! Soon His beau-ty we'll be-hold;



1. In the man-sion bright and bless-ed, He'll pre-pare for us a place.  
2. But when trav-'ling days are o-ver, Not a shad-ow, not a sigh.  
3. Just one glimpse of Him in glo-ry Will the toils of life re-pay;  
4. Soon the pearl-y gates will o-pen; We shall tread the streets of gold.



When we all \_\_\_\_\_ get to heav-en, What a day of re-  
When we all get to heav-en, What a

joic - ing that will be! \_\_\_\_\_ When we all \_\_\_\_\_ see

day of re - joic - ing that will be! When we all see

Je - sus, We'll sing and shout the vic - to - ry. \_\_\_\_\_

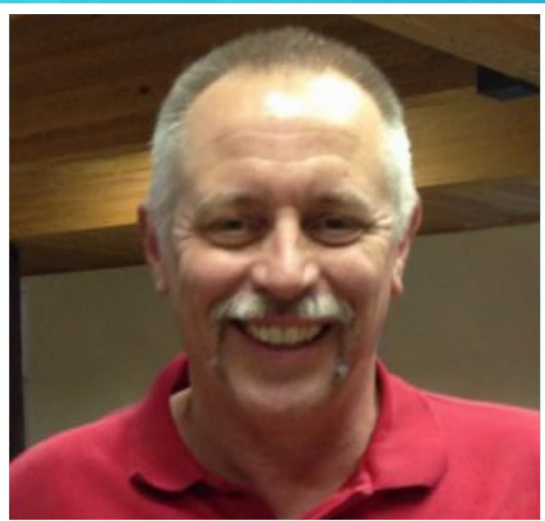
Je - sus, We'll sing and shout, and shout the vic - to - ry.

Words: Eliza Edmunds Hewitt (1852-1920). Music: Emily Divine Wilson (1865-1942).

## Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

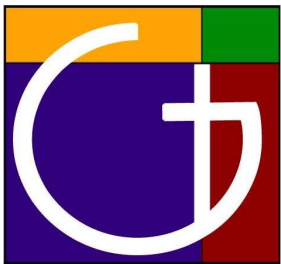


**JUNE  
VESTRY PERSON  
OF THE MONTH:**

**David  
Wilcox**

**THANKS TO THOSE  
SERVING THIS WEEK:**

**Celebrant..... The Rev. Chris Cole**  
**1st Reader/Chalice..... Alex Wilson**  
**2nd Reader/Chalice..... Joel Cousins**  
**Head Usher/Greeter.... Alex Wilson**  
**Altar Guild..... Katherine Coburn**  
**Media..... Tim Holder**  
**1st Cross..... Thomas Bentley**  
**Torch..... Nora Pevehouse**  
**Torch/Plates..... Skye Jardin**  
**2nd Cross..... Andrew Jardin**



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