

ST. ALBAN'S  
EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH  
THE FIRST  
SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

9:30 AM

HOLY  
EUCCHARIST

RITE II

THE REVEREND DR. DAVID L. MADSEN, RECTOR

THE REVEREND KATHERINE GORDON, DEACON

NAOMI MADSEN, MUSIC DIRECTOR

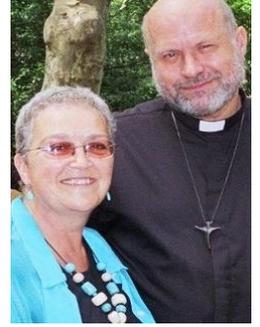
THE REVEREND DR. PAUL CARMONA, ORGANIST

## Welcome Newcomers!

We are blessed to have you with us today. Sorry about limited movement and no opportunities to shake hands, hug or sing and other safety regulations due to coronavirus pandemic. We would usually ask you to sign our newcomer's book but would prefer that you call the church office or send an email or note to us and let us know who you are and your contact information. Father Dave would like to talk to you via phone or email. So sorry, we are not offering coffee hour until we see this pandemic from our rear-view window.

Our hope is that you find a home among us, in a place where the love of God is shared, the mystery of grace is experienced, and the joy and laughter of the Christian life is taught.

To learn more about St. Alban's, you can schedule an appointment with Father Dave by calling the office at (619) 444-8212 or email us at: [generalbusiness@stalbanschurch.info](mailto:generalbusiness@stalbanschurch.info). Also, check out our website at [www.st-albans-church.org](http://www.st-albans-church.org).



Children are welcome in our worship! Sunday School is usually available in the building across the courtyard at 9:30am, but that is all on hold until a future time to be announced. Sunday School will be online. Please see the "Announcements" page at the end of this bulletin for information on how your child can join our Sunday School via the weekly Zoom meetings.



### Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

Have you ever wondered how we get such beautiful flowers at St. Alban's on Sundays? They are paid for by parishioners who dedicate flowers to commemorate a special occasion such as an anniversary, a baptism, a birthday, a graduation, or in memory of departed loved ones. If you would like to dedicate flowers for a special occasion or memorial, you can do so by sending a letter to the office, or email or phone call. Donation envelopes are not available at this time.

To maintain a peaceful worship environment, please silence your cell phone. Thank you!



ACCESSIBLE RESTROOMS ARE LOCATED IN THE PARISH HALL ACROSS THE COURTYARD

# HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II

\* = Please stand during the hymns as you are able.

**Prelude** – Hermann SCHROEDER, *Allegretto #4*; The Rev. Dr. Paul Carmona, organist

**Welcome:** The Reverend Dr David Madsen

**Opening Hymn** – *Hymn #65 Prepare the way, O Zion*

(We will light the candles on the wreath after the precessional, before the opening acclamation at the altar.) We will light a new candle each week.

**Deacon:** Today we light the first candle, the Candle of Hope, also called the Candle of Prophecy. Let us pray:

**Deacon:** All-powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

**Kyrie, LEV 239** – *all sing*

Leader  
Ky - ri - e

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri -

Chri - te

e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, e - le - i -

Ky - ri - e

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Celebrant:** Please be seated for the readings.

# THE WORD OF GOD

## The Old Testament – Jeremiah 33:14-16

**Lector:** A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

**Lector:** Here ends the reading.

**People:** Amen.

## The Psalm – Psalm 25:1-9

**BCP 614-615**

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.	6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.	7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
3 Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.	8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.
4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.	9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.	

## The New Testament – 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

**Lector:** A reading from the first book of Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Lector:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## Sequence Music

### The Gospel – Luke 21:25-36

**Deacon:** The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

**Deacon:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon – The Reverend Dr David Madsen**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Deacon:** Let us stand together and say the Nicene Creed

**The Nicene Creed – (All say together)**

**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 stand or kneel if you are able)**

**Intercessor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you

**Intercessor:** Let us pray.

**Intercessor:** We pray for those around us as they live their lives.

**People:** **For those close, for those far away, and for those who have no one else to pray for them.**

**Intercessor:** For our communities, especially El Cajon.

**People:** **For friends, strangers, and the ties that keep them together.**

**Intercessor:** For our nation – we pray for wisdom for its leaders, particularly our President, and for the health and safety for those serving in the military. Especially Kendall, Lindzy, Denny, Cris, Ben, Bryan, Matt, Clarence, David Nye, Kristyn, Eric, Stephanie, Donovan, Christopher and Joshua Ibanez, Brandon, Madison, and for our veterans.

**People:** **May it shine forth as a beacon of nobility and compassion.**

**Intercessor:** We pray for this earth, your creation;

**People:** **That we may be faithful stewards of its bounty.**

**Intercessor:** We lift up all those impacted by this pandemic, and their families.

**People:** **Jesus, Lord of life, hear our prayer.**

**Intercessor:** We pray for unity in the Church, and peace for all its members;

**People:** **For those who spread your Gospel by word or by action.**

**People:** **We pray for the leaders of our church; for Michael our presiding bishop, Susan our bishop, Dave our rector, Katherine our deacon, and for all bishops, priests and deacons.**

**Intercessor:** We pray for people in our world. Most especially for our Christian brothers and sisters in Myanmar (known as Burma), Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Egypt, Pakistan, Tunisia, Eritrea, Yemen, Nigeria, Somalia, Israel and Palestine, and all places on the earth where people are in danger and treated unfairly.

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

**Intercessor:** We lift up to you our concerns, praying especially for: all who are refugees, Hilda Ro & family, Christine Peters, Judith Taylor, Victoria, Penny, Ralph McMillen, Lillian, Bill Bishop, Jean K, Arlene F and family, Georgina L, Mark A, Farisayi K, the family of Klara, Vira, and Mariska R, Sabeeha Bahnam, Eileen P, Jill & Ken, Dale, Alexander, Judy B, and Callee H.  
From our Facebook friends: the Galbo family.

*(Please take a few moments to express thanks to God either vocally or silently.)*

**Intercessor:** We pray for those who have died.

**People:** **Grant rest to their souls and comfort to those they have left behind.**

**Celebrant:** Lord hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People:** **Amen.**

## **THE CONFESSION**

**Celebrant:** We also pray for forgiveness:

**Celebrant and People:** **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown, things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Celebrant:** Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you for 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.**

## THE PEACE

**Celebrant:** The Peace of the Lord be always with you!

**All:** **And also with you.**

*Because of the coronavirus, please do not touch hug or leave your area of worship. Please remember that Passing the Peace is part of our liturgy. It is a time to welcome each other and to share a phrase like: "The peace of the Lord be with you", and to hear a response in kind like "And also with you". It is not intended to be a time for discussion.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – *Please remember to give announcements to someone before the service or after the service or to leave them at the office. Until further notice we ask that no-one comes forward at announcement time except for the one appointed to give announcements.*

## SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND TRAVELERS

(If you had a birthday, anniversary last week or this week, or if you are going to travel soon, please stand and we will pray for you. Please do not come forward at this time. Thank you.)

**Birthday:** O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) \_\_\_\_\_ as *he/she/they* begin another year. Grant that *he/she/they* may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen *his/her/their* trust in your goodness all the days of *his/her/their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Many happy returns on the day of your birth. May seasons of joy be given. May God in his mercy prepare you on earth for a beautiful birthday in heaven. Amen.

**Anniversaries:** Lord, we thank you for this couple \_\_\_\_\_ and for all of the years that they have had together.

Today, as we celebrate their anniversary, our prayer is that you will continue to bless them. Lord, we pray that you will honor their commitment to each other and to You by granting them many more years of happiness together. Amen.

**Travelers:** O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel \_\_\_\_\_; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## OFFERING PRAYER

*We will not be passing the offering plate until a future time. If you have an offering with you please put it in the collection box as you come forward for communion, or on your way out, there is another collection box near the door in the back of the nave by the door to the narthex.*

**Celebrant:** Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

**Celebrant:** All things come from you O Lord.

**People:** **And of your own we have given you.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**Sursum Corda** *(Please stand, as you are able)*

**Celebrant:** **The Lord be with you.**

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

**Celebrant:** **Lift up your hearts.**

**People:** **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.**

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

## The Sanctus – LEV 256, (all sing)

*Leader* (piano) Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow'r\_ and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### *Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

### *Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

**Officiant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Officiant:** As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing:

A  
B m C#m B m D  
Our Fa-ther who art in heav - en, hal-low-ed be thy Name,

9 A B m C#m  
thy king - dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it

16 B m D A D E A  
is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly

24 B m C#m B m C#m B m C#m  
bread. And for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give those who tres - pass a -

31 D A B m C#m B m C#m  
gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de -

39 B m C#m B m C#m D E A  
liv - er us from all that is e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the

46 D A B m C#m B m C#m  
glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men. A - men.

54 D A  
A - - - - - men.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem – LEV 270

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
have mercy on us (repeat)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
grant us peace.

**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.

**Communion Hymn – Hymnal #304 “I come with joy to meet my Lord”**

**Post Communion Prayer**  
*Celebrant and People:*

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.

**Blessing**

**Recessional** – *LEV # 14 “Soon and very soon we are going to see the King”*

**Dismissal**

**Deacon:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

*Hymnal TBD*



## PRAYERS

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**Please remember in your prayers**, praying especially for: all who are refugees, Hilda Ro & family, Christine Peters, Judith Taylor, Victoria, Penny, Ralph McMillen, Lillian, Bill Bishop, Jean K, Arlene F and family, Georgina L, Mark A, Farisayi K, the family of Klara, Vira, and Mariska R, Sabeeha Bahnam, Eileen P, Jill & Ken, Dale, Alexander, Judy B, and Callee H. From our Facebook friends: the Galbo family.

**Pray for those serving in the military especially**, Kendall, Lindzy, Denny, Cris, Ben, Bryan, Matt, Clarence, David Nye, Kristyn, Eric, Stephanie, Donovan, Christopher and Joshua Ibanez, Brandon, Madison, and for our veterans.

We pray for peace in the Holy Land most especially for our Christian brothers and sisters in Myanmar (known as Burma), Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Egypt, Pakistan, Tunisia, Eritrea, Yemen, Nigeria, Somalia, Israel and Palestine, and all places on the earth where people are in danger and treated unfairly, who are suffering deprivation, torture, and death for confessing Christ as their Lord.

We pray for all people in our country who are suffering from poverty, injustices, brutality, racial and sexual discrimination; for those that are sexually, physically and verbally abused or bullied; for the unemployed and the underemployed; for the uninsured and the under insured.

**In our Diocesan cycle of prayer**, we pray and give thanks today for the Clergy and people of Christ the King in Alpine.

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer**, we pray and give thanks today for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

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### Participants in Today's In-Person and Online Worship

**Celebrant:** The Reverend Dr David Madsen

**Deacon:** The Reverend Katherine Gordon

**Reader(s):** TBD

**Prayers:** Judy Brown

**Music Director:** Naomi Madsen

**Organist:** The Reverend Dr Paul Carmona

**Streaming Tech:** Hsa Blu Moo, Hser Tha Law, Sa Nay Kyaw

**Altar Assistant:** Sa Nay Kyaw

**Vergers:** Judy Brown

**Gospel Readers – Arabic / Karin:** Nawal Yousif, Mary Zori, Ibtisam Bashee, Angelynn Than

**Worship on the campus of St. Alban's has begun reconvening in person under the guidelines as set by San Diego County, the State of CA, and the Episcopal Diocese. Please read through them. Please call the St Alban's office at 619-444-8212 with any questions. Thank you for your help in continuing to keep our campus safe!**



Thank You for Your Support  
During these challenging times, we  
encourage you to support your home church.  
If you have no home church and like what you see here  
you may support St Alban's Ministries by going to:  
<https://st-albans-church.org/giving>

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## Announcements for the week of 11/28/2021

### **In Person Coffee Hour is Back!**

St. Albans is starting coffee hour again! If you would like to help by doing coffee hour the same Sunday every month, please contact Kathi Mills at 619-277-0683, or Sharon Hathaway at 619-562-7598. When we start coffee hour depends on when St. Albans has someone volunteering for each Sunday. It will be a simpler coffee hour, with coffee, water, and wrapped cookies, wrapped brownies, etc. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Sunday School Lessons via ZOOM**

The Sunday School is using Zoom as an innovative way to have Sunday School lessons for those families not able to have their children meet in person. This is the hybrid format so that there is a choice offered of meeting in person OR on Zoom. Our Sunday School director, Caroline Hurd, has created a group named "St Alban's Sunday School". **Please send a text to 619-820-0674 if your children would like to join in the ZOOM lesson** and Caroline will add your cell phone number to the Sunday School families who have access to join this weekly group. Lessons will run about 20 min and begin at **9:30am** (New Time!), so families can enjoy the St Alban's live stream of the Holy Eucharist worship services also at 9:30am. **Also please note:** St. Alban's Sunday School has an email address: **stalbansundayschool@gmail.com** please use this as well with any questions about Sunday School or attending the Zoom Sunday School meetings.

Sunday School Zoom info: **https://zoom.us/j/93662640101**

**Meeting code: 71927243001 Password: Di38xF**

One tap mobile: +16699009128,,93662640101# US (San Jose)

### **Where to Find Other St Alban's Weekly Meetings on ZOOM**

#### ***The Monthly Vestry meeting -***

Vestry meeting is 2nd Saturday of each month at 10 AM

**Meeting ID - 235 055 010 Password – 688794**

#### ***Coffee Hour - Sundays at 11 AM***

**Meeting ID - 850 7170 9773 Password – 329523**

***Sunday Worship Service*** at 9:30am, We are now meeting in the sanctuary, and also this service can be found on the St Alban's Facebook page each Sunday morning if you prefer to attend from your home.

**Please note that this info remains the same each week. The Meeting ID's and the Passwords do not change.**

### **Regular Notices**

**Prayer Requests:** To make a request for the prayer chain or bulletin or to update requests, please call the St Alban's office: 619-444-8212, or email: [generalbusiness@stalbanschurh.info](mailto:generalbusiness@stalbanschurh.info). You are also invited to add a prayer request to be read in our Sunday public prayers. Names added will be listed for three weeks only, unless otherwise requested. We can also now receive prayer requests through our website: [www.st-albans-church.org](http://www.st-albans-church.org)

**Parking:** If you are able-bodied, please park in the lot on Camden or the side streets, saving the prime spots for those who require a closer parking space. Thank you!

**Report Misconduct:** As part of our ongoing commitment to creating a safe haven for everyone, our diocese trains people in the prevention of misconduct and encourages all to report misconduct. All reported incidences are taken seriously and investigated thoroughly and confidentially. If you believe you have experienced misconduct of any kind, please contact Mr. John Seitman, [jseitman@pacbell.net](mailto:jseitman@pacbell.net), 858-793-4555 or the Rev. Janet Wheelock, [jwheelock@edsd.org](mailto:jwheelock@edsd.org), 952-240-8067.

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