

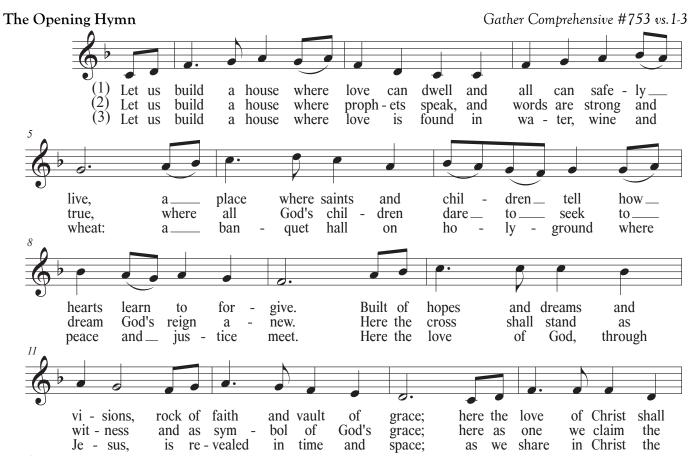
# The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 5, 2023 10:00 a.m. The Congregation Gathers

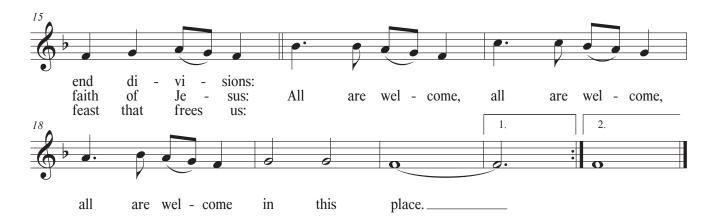
Prelude Meditation on Halifax

"We limit not the truth of God to our poor reach of mind, to notions of our day and place, crude, partial, and confined; no, let a new and better hope within our hearts be stirred; the Lord has yet more light and truth to break forth from his word."

The Tolling of the Bell

Please stand as you are able.





# The Opening Acclamation

CelebrantArise, shine, for your light has come,Peopleand the glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

# The Collect of the Day

CelebrantGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

Israel's jealous God, giver of love's law, in whom there is no blandness, no dullness of oppression; liberate us from all that numbs compassion to find in your commands light undimmed and flavor unrestrained; through Jesus Christ, fulfiller of the law. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

# The Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,

nor the human heart conceived,

what God has prepared for those who love him"-

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world,

but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

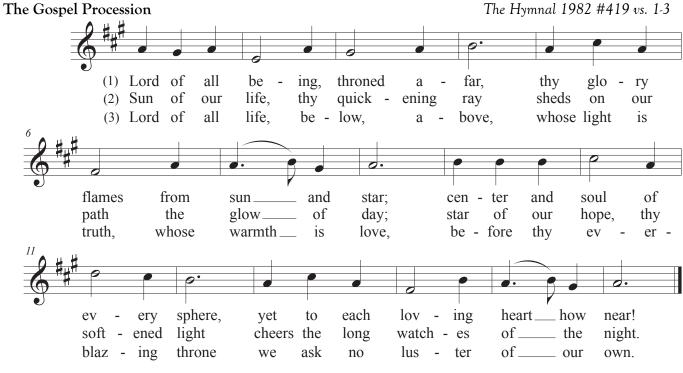
Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

"For who has known the mind of the Lord

so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.PeopleThanks be to God.



The Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

GospelerThe Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.The people respondGlory to you, O Christ.

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

GospelerThe Gospel of our Savior.The people respond**Praise to you, O Christ.** 



# Prayers of the People

During the pause after each bidding, the people offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Deacon / Celebrant Let us pray for the church and the world.

Leader

Shine in your Church, O God; embolden us in a dark world to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love. (*The intercessor pauses for the congregation to add prayers*).

This day and always, *Christ, be our Light.* 

Shine on your world, O God; hear the warring of nations and the wounding of the earth and give us peace at last. (*The intercessor pauses for the congregation to add prayers*).

This day and always, *Christ, be our Light.* 

Shine for your people, O God; make us one human family as we clothe each other with mercy and feed each other with justice. (*The intercessor pauses for the congregation to add prayers*).

This day and always, *Christ, be our Light.* 

Shine in our hearts, O God; help us to reach to the heavens and deep into our souls to seek you, to find you, and to know you. (*The intercessor pauses for the congregation to add prayers*).

This day and always, *Christ, be our Light.* 

Shine for the afflicted, O God; remind them of your deep compassion and how you tenderly bear all our sorrows. (*The intercessor pauses for the congregation to add prayers*).

This day and always, *Christ, be our Light.* 

Shine in the saints and the departed, O God; teach us to follow their lead to steadfast faith and eternal love. (*The intercessor pauses for the congregation to add prayers*).

This day and always, *Christ, be our Light.* 

Celebrant

O God, who sent your son Jesus to us as the light of the world, accept the prayers we offer in this joyful season and help us to follow Jesus as children of the light. Glory to you for ever. *Amen.* 

# The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

We greet each other in the name of Christ.

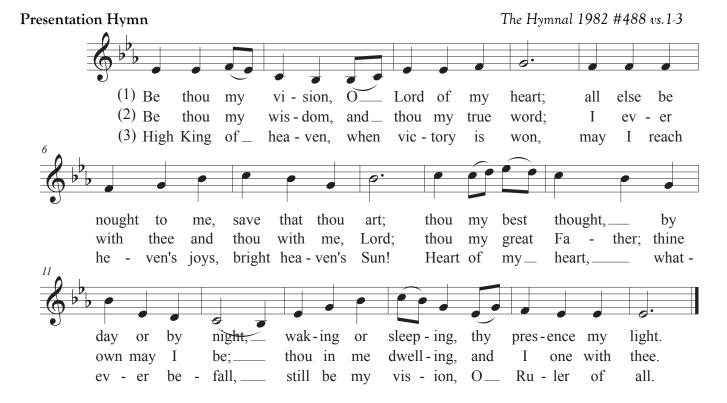
# Welcome and Announcements

# The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Anthem O God of mercy. Words: Godfrey Thring (1823-1903); Music: Simon Lole (b.1957) Jane Spencer Mills, *soprano* 

We invite everyone to form a circle around the altar while we sing the presentation hymn, leaving the front chairs for those who are unable to climb the steps or remain standing for the entire Eucharistic prayer.

Children are welcome to step up on the bench in front of the altar where they can experience the liturgy up close.



# The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant	God be with you
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to God.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to God.
People	It is right to give God thanks and praise.

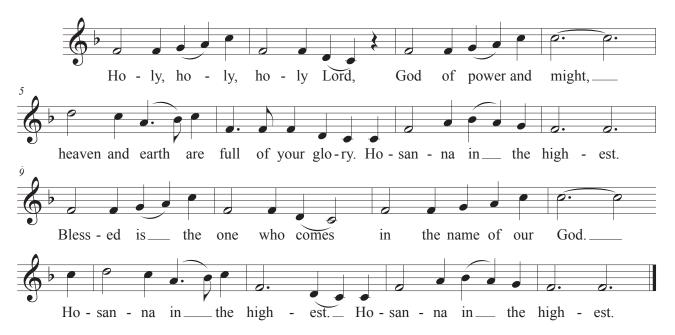
Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

We praise you, God of many names, whose Spirit runs free through all the earth, whose image lies deep in every mortal soul.

In your grace your Word is made known to every people, calling forth the best they have to offer; your Beloved is immersed in the waters of creation healing the chaos that floods our world; your Son is the guest who offers new wine changing hearts grown withered and cold.

Therefore we celebrate the rays of morning light that bathe the world in glory and kindle a new song:



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Loving God:

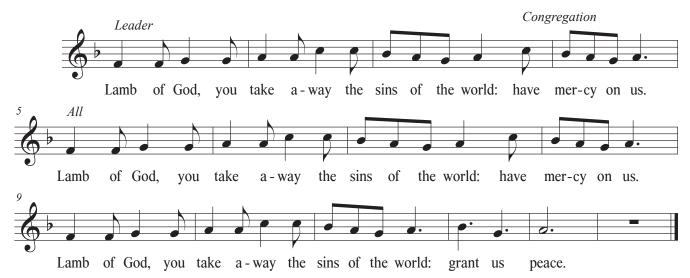
We remember your death, O Christ, We proclaim your resurrection, We await your coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O God of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary, the Blessed Holy Innocents, Blessed Francis, Blessed Clare, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.





# Invitation to the Table

The Celebrant invites all who wish to come to the Table by saying:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

During Communion all are invited to receive either the Sacrament or a blessing; gluten-free wafers are available. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are always welcome at Holy Innocents.

# **Healing** Prayer

During this time people are also invited to participate in Healing Prayer in the Mary Chapel, at the back of the nave. All are invited to participate in the laying on of hands and anointing for yourself or for someone else. **Communion Hymn** Wonder, Love, and Praise #791 vs. 1-3 Peace be - fore us, peace be - hind feet. us, peace un-der our (1)be - hind be - hind be - fore us, love love un-der our Love us, feet. (2)Light be - fore us, light us, light un-der our feet. (3)17 1. Peace with - in us, peace o-ver us, let all a - round us be peace. Love with - in us, love o-ver us, let all a - round us be love. Light with - in us, light o-ver us, let all a - round us be 25 3. light. rit. a tempo -Let all a - round us be light.

Postcommunion Prayer

Thank you, Creator,Thank you God,By your love for us, by your love,ByBy your love for us we are yours.By

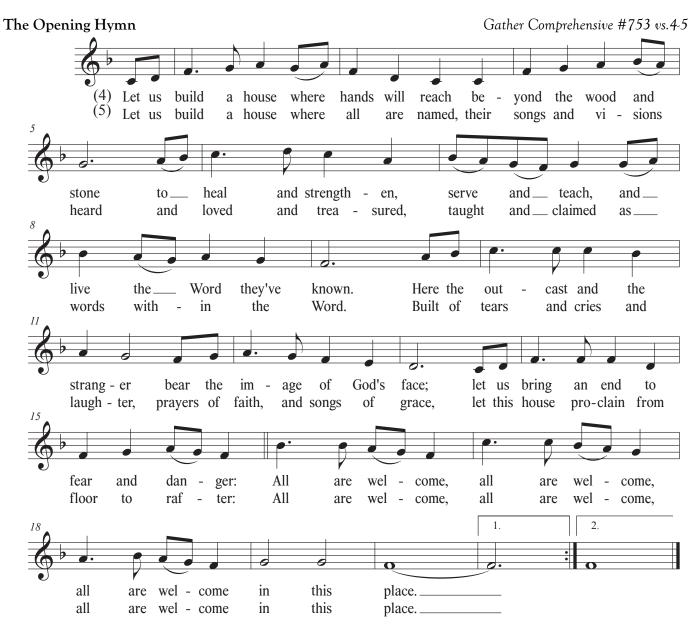
Thank you, Jesus, Thank you God. By your love for us, by your love, By your love for us we are yours.

Thank you Spirit, Thank you God, By your love for us, by your love, By your love for us we are yours.

# **Community Blessings**

# **Epiphany Blessing**

May Christ, who draws the nations to himself, teach us to love our enemies; may Christ, who enters the water of baptism, lead us to die to all but love; may Christ, who gives new wine for the world, turn our bitterness into joy; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Word Incarnate, and the Sustainer, be among you, and remain with you and those you love always. *Amen.* 



# The Dismissal

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

Postlude Mosso moderato in A minor

by Heinrich Götze (1836-1906)

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# SERVING HOLY INNOCENTS TODAY

The Rev. Scot Sherman, Celebrant & Preacher Bill Keck, Director of Music Davey Gerhard, M.C./Crucifer Fabienne Blanc, Acolyte Richard Mills, Reader John Quarterman, Prayers of the People Stephen Walker, Godly Play Storyteller Malcolm Gaines, Godly Play Doorkeeper John Katz, Tech Team Merritt-Mullen Family, Flowers Campion Family, Hospitality Dano Cammarota, Altar Guild

#### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Holy Innocents Annual Meeting will take place on Sunday, February 5, 2023 after a combined 10 am service (family style).
- Holy Innocents Retreat at Bishop's Ranch April 14-16, 2023. As mentioned the last few Sundays, we ARE doing our annual Church Retreat at Bishop's Ranch this year from April 14th thru April 16th. The retreat is a chance of our congregation to gather at a place where all ages can be refreshed spiritually, intellectually and physically. We are hoping to have a list of those who want to go by Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. One can fill out the form using the link in the congregational email, or fill out the printed copy at the back of the church and place it into the plate by that date. There will be a limited number of financial scholarships.
- Holy Innocents Stewardship Campaign Thank you for all you do for the Holy Innocents Community! Your gifts help us live out our mission and ministry in our neighborhood and throughout the world. You are invited to make your pledge of time, talent, and treasure for the 2023 fiscal year during our pledge campaign season - October 9 - October 30. Don't worry if you have not yet sent in your pledge card. You may still do so!

To participate in this year's campaign, please visit our Stewardship web page at https://holyinsf.org/giving You may also complete a pledge card located at the back of the church and place it in the plate. However you make your gift this year, please know that your work is appreciated and needed."

#### **Healing Service**

We have resumed having a service of healing at the Mary Chapel during communion on Sundays. All are invited to participate (in whatever manner is comfortable for you) in the laying on of hands and anointing for yourself or for someone else in.

# Save the date: Feast Day of Absalom Jones - February 11, 2023 11:00 a.m. PST

Theme: Repairing Dignity: Seeking Wholeness

St. Paul Episcopal Church 114 Montecito Oakland, CA

The Right Rev. Deon Kevin Johnson, 11th Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri, Preacher

# Open Cathedral - potluck and sandwich making date: February 15, 6:00 pm.

Thanks to everyone who has been part of this ministry. Reach out to Rita Lin or Fabienne Blanc if you are interested in taking part in this ministry. We would like to commit to providing meals once a month, and do have some funds if you would like to help but want reimbursement for the cost of the meals.

# Help Habitat Greater San Francisco spread the news about a new program for our neighbors

Since we are loyal volunteers at the Amber Drive Site, our Habitat friends have asked for our help in spreading the word about a valuable service now available to low-income homeowners residing in the Visitacion Valley neighborhood of San Francisco. A recent grant allows residents with fixed incomes to receive help with low-cost critical repairs so they can keep their homes and age in place. The "ask" is for us to walk with Habitat staff while performing the important outreach task of hanging information on doors in the neighborhood. We'll have the chance to get to know our Habitat friends better and also to discover the vibrancy of this family-oriented, working class neighborhood.

# Date and time: Saturday, February 25, 2023, noon - 4 pm, volunteers must be 14 years of age

There will be snacks! And we can arrange carpooling also.

Please contact Deacon Margaret if you are interested in joining, mdyerc@stanford.edu.

# Interfaith Winter Shelter Volunteering in March 2023

Are you interested in volunteering for the Interfaith Winter Shelter this season? Holy Innocents is signed up to prepare and serve meals **Sunday**, **March 5th** at Canon Kip Senior Center (705 Natoma Street). We need to prepare meals offsite for 30 guests plus 3 staff, and then be there at 5 pm to serve them.

If you are interested in participating, please let Sarah Klapec know at <u>sklapec@yahoo.com</u> or via text at 415-672-4298. We can then discuss what we want to prepare and who will do what. If you are just able to cook but not serve, or just able to serve but not cook, just let Sarah know, and she will coordinate accordingly!

If this date doesn't work for you or if you want to volunteer for more days, there are weekdays we can sign up! Just let her know your interest and your weekday availability. There are different locations depending on the date but we do need to be ready to serve at 5 pm.

# **Emergency Flood Relief for Haji Muhammad Sharif Village in Pakistan** Claire Quarterman's best friend is trying to raise money for the victims of a flood in Pakistan. Her friend's father lives in the town. Here is the link where one can

donate: <u>https://www.launchgood.com/campaign/emergency\_flood\_relief\_for\_haji\_muhammad\_shari</u> <u>f\_village\_in\_pakistan#!/</u>

# San Francisco Deanery

Holy Innocents has an opportunity for a parishioner to serve as a lay delegate to the San Francisco Deanery for the Diocese of California. There is also one alternate delegate position open. The Diocese is organized into six deaneries, or jurisdictions, and the SF Deanery is one of them. It has lay and clergy representatives from each of the 16 Episcopal churches in San Francisco and holds four meetings a year in February, May, September, and November-on Saturday mornings from 9 to 12 (meetings next year will likely be hybrid Zoom/in-person meetings). The purpose of the Deanery is to allow for better communication across congregations and with Diocesan leadership; typical meetings include presentations and discussions of key issues in the Diocese, and provide the opportunity to learn a lot more about how our Diocese works. Lay delegates also attend the Annual Convention in October and vote on resolutions and nominees for various Diocesan positions. In 2023, there will also be a special December convention to elect the new Bishop, so next year is a big year for the Deanery delegates! If you're interested, talk to Miriam Keil, Senior Warden. If you want more information about what's involved, talk to Richard Mills, who has been a delegate for the last 4 years.

Due to privacy concerns, we have removed personal email addresses from our newsletters and bulletins. When we list a person as a contact, please use our membership directory. This directory requires that a person be in the directory in order to retrieve contact information. If you need to be added to the directory, please send your request to <u>support@holyinsf.org</u>.

# Wednesday Potluck

Come join us for a shared meal and good conversation in the parish hall every Wednesday at 6:30 pm, Bring a dish and/or beverage to share. A reminder that when there is an Open Cathedral volunteer event happening, we will gather at 6:00 pm for sandwich making and food assembling . Contact Stephen or Cynthia Walker for questions or more information.

- **Hospitality:** We have begun having a small **coffee hour** after the service, you can sign up to contribute on the <u>rota sign up link</u>.
- Audio/Visual Volunteers Needed: No specific skills required, just a willingness to learn and a general comfort with technology. We will provide all the training you need.
- Morning Prayer (via Zoom) continues on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Please reach out to Sue Fandel if you'd like the link.

To add an announcement to the weekly newsletter and/or Sunday bulletin, please send your text (ready to paste) no later than 11:00 am Wednesday to office@holyinsf.org.

# Staying Connected!

You can follow us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/HolyInSF. If you would like to receive our congregational emails, email office@holyinsf.org

# HOLY INNOCENTS PRAYER LIST

\* to add or remove someone from our prayer list, please contact the church office at office@holyinsf.org

# For healing of body, mind, and spirit:

Alyssa (Sarah B's friend); Ange; Betty (Camilla's sister); Bill & Sergio; Bill D.; Bill (Cynthia's brother); ; Carol & Katie (Joyce's nieces); Christopher (Beth's friend); Darlene (Judith's friend); Diana (Anne's niece); Diane B. (Sarah B's friend); Elyse (Judith's friend); Eric (Liz K's nephew); Giovanni and Rosanna (Fabienne's cousins); Hotie Gilpin (Sarah's aunt); Jane Davies; Rev. Jeffrey Reed; Jeremy (Thomas' husband); Joan (Alison's sister); Joel & Sam; John (Davey's father); John M. (Sam's friend); Judith; Julia; Julie (Ange's aunt); Kathryn (Judith's friend); Kristen, Ben, and Haven (Sarah B's friends); Leigh (Sarah B's friend); Lina (Fabienne's friend); Linda (Cary's friend); Lorene and Danny (Joyce's friends); Mallory, Eric and (baby) Anthony (Judith's friends); Marge (Ellen's mother); Marius et Michelle (Fabienne's parents); Mary (Allison's mother); Rob M.; Robin (Anne's friend); Sarah (Kevin's aunt); Seth and his family; Stephen W.; Steve and Teresa (Elizabeth's brother and sister in-law); Susan D.; Thomas F.; Virginia Gassner; Will (Cynthia's son).

# For the departed:

Ann Bogatinoff (congregation member); Bucky Mills (Richard's dad); Eleni Kasapi (Steven's mother); Helen Brenzel (Seth's mom) Joan Blair (Anne R's mother); Laura Pettibone (Anne Jenkins' wife); Thomas Jenkins (Anne's dad).

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