



*A Spiritual Community of Hope, Courage, and Compassion*

Dec 9, 2025 - Weekly News and Events

(All times are Central Standard Time)

## Events

Fri Dec 12

5:00 pm - Friday Fellowship

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9510683516>

Sun Dec 14

10:30 am - Second Sunday Zoom Service

We are happy to welcome back Rebecca Mattis who will be speaking on “The Beholder's Share: Art and the Mind.” Art historians consider the beholder's share to be all the necessary sensing, thought, experience, and interpretation that a viewer brings to a work of art. It's an idea that's at least a century old. Viewers are not passive, but actively bring their experience to bear upon the art, and this is necessary in order for the art to have meaning. More recently, neuroscientists have used the term to describe how the brain works. The conscious being is not a passive receiver of input; rather, the subconscious brings its previous experience to bear upon all of the senses. This is called Predictive

Processing, and it forms - one might say creates - all of conscious experience. In this sermon, Rebecca ponders The Beholder's Share in literature, art, emotion, and memory.

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**December 14, 2025  
10:30 a.m.**

**Rebecca Mattis  
The Beholder's Share**



Mon Dec 15

4:15 pm - Book Club

Our December read is "The Secret Life of Sunflowers" by Marta Molnar, based on the true story of Johanna Bonger, Vincent Van Gogh's sister-in-law.

Zoom link: to come

Mon Dec 15

6:30 pm - Rescheduled Board Meeting

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Thur Dec 18

5:00 pm - Independent Women with Joan

Google Chat Link: to be emailed

Fri Dec 19

5:00 pm - Friday Fellowship

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