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**SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**First Parish in Concord**  
**Sunday, February 9, 2025**

*Please check our weekly e-newsletter, FP Weekly, for Zoom links  
for events you are interested in attending virtually.*

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**RJAG Meeting**

**Thursday, February 13, 7:00 p.m.**

**Brooks Room & Zoom**

With all the World and National news, it may be easy to overlook our essential local work –

- Reconciliation and Repair efforts at First Parish
- Focus on information from “Reckoning + Repair” a GBH initiative investigating the historical record and discussions now underway in Boston and the nation about reparations.
- Local Elections, LWVCC Reparations Study, UUUM

Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82241344619?pwd=aH4tHuqKAnoECMebhF0MdZ2XsLFAp3.1>

Meeting ID: 822 4134 4619

Passcode: 612067

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**2025 Women's At-Home Retreat**

**Friday, March 7 & Saturday, March 8**

Women's At-Home Retreat Registration is Open!

The Retreat will take place at First Parish on Fri March 7, starting at 6:30 p.m., and on Sat March 8, 8:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., all in person only. Our theme is "Our Voices".

\* Friday's segment is open to all FP women, free of charge, registration not required. Potluck refreshments.

\* Saturday's segment requires registration and a fee of \$90. Register at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/at-home-retreat-2025-our-voices-tickets-1223868988089> or use the

QR code. Last day to register is February 28.

Questions? Contact Bozena Smith.



**Rising Together: Social Gathering!**

**Saturday, March 1, 5:00 p.m.**

**Parish Hall**

Join us for a social gathering at First Parish on Saturday, March 1, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Enjoy light refreshments and entertainment as we celebrate our vibrant community and welcome our new minister. This event is family-friendly and open to all members and friends and is sponsored by the pledge campaign team. No pledge requests will be made at this event. For questions or to help: Dave Elwood at [daveelwood@hotmail.com](mailto:daveelwood@hotmail.com).

**Welcome! We are so glad you are here. Please stop by the Welcome Table after service  
or fill out a Connection Card located in your pew.**

**Difficult Conversation Resilience Circles: On Democracy**

**Sunday, March 2, 11:30 a.m.**

**In-Person**

The goal of this Listening Circle event is to create space for shared emotional connection about the impact of the current Federal Administration on our lives. Our aim is to support this community in exploring our collective experience together. This event will provide a space for people to connect, share their experiences, and look to the future. During this experience, you will be asked questions to explore this issue on a deeper level. When participating you have the responsibility to listen and an opportunity to be heard. Please see *FP Weekly* for more information and registration.

through the middle of March. There will not be any reception. For more information, please contact Kathy: 781-273-0032 or [katalinspang@yahoo.com](mailto:katalinspang@yahoo.com). Or visit her website: [katalinspang.com](http://katalinspang.com)

**Metta for Mindfulness**

**Series begins Tuesday, March 4, 9:30 a.m.**

**Zoom Only**

Metta for Mindfulness will return for a Zoom only drop-in six week session, beginning on Tuesday March 4, 2025 from 9:30 am-10 am and continuing through April 8, 2025. I believe that this is a time in our world for metta or loving kindness. Drop by any Tuesday, starting March 4 at 9:30 am. The Zoom link will be listed in *FP Weekly*; I believe that the value of the meditation is improved with consistency, so if you can, I recommend you come to most or all of the Tuesdays. I hope to see you in metta, Dana.

**Kathy Spang Art Exhibit**

**Ongoing until mid-March**

**Stairwell Gallery and Back of Stage in the Parish Hall**

Kathy Spang has installed an exhibit of 25 of her paintings in the stairwell gallery and on the boards in the back of the stage in the Parish Hall. The exhibit will be up for about six weeks,