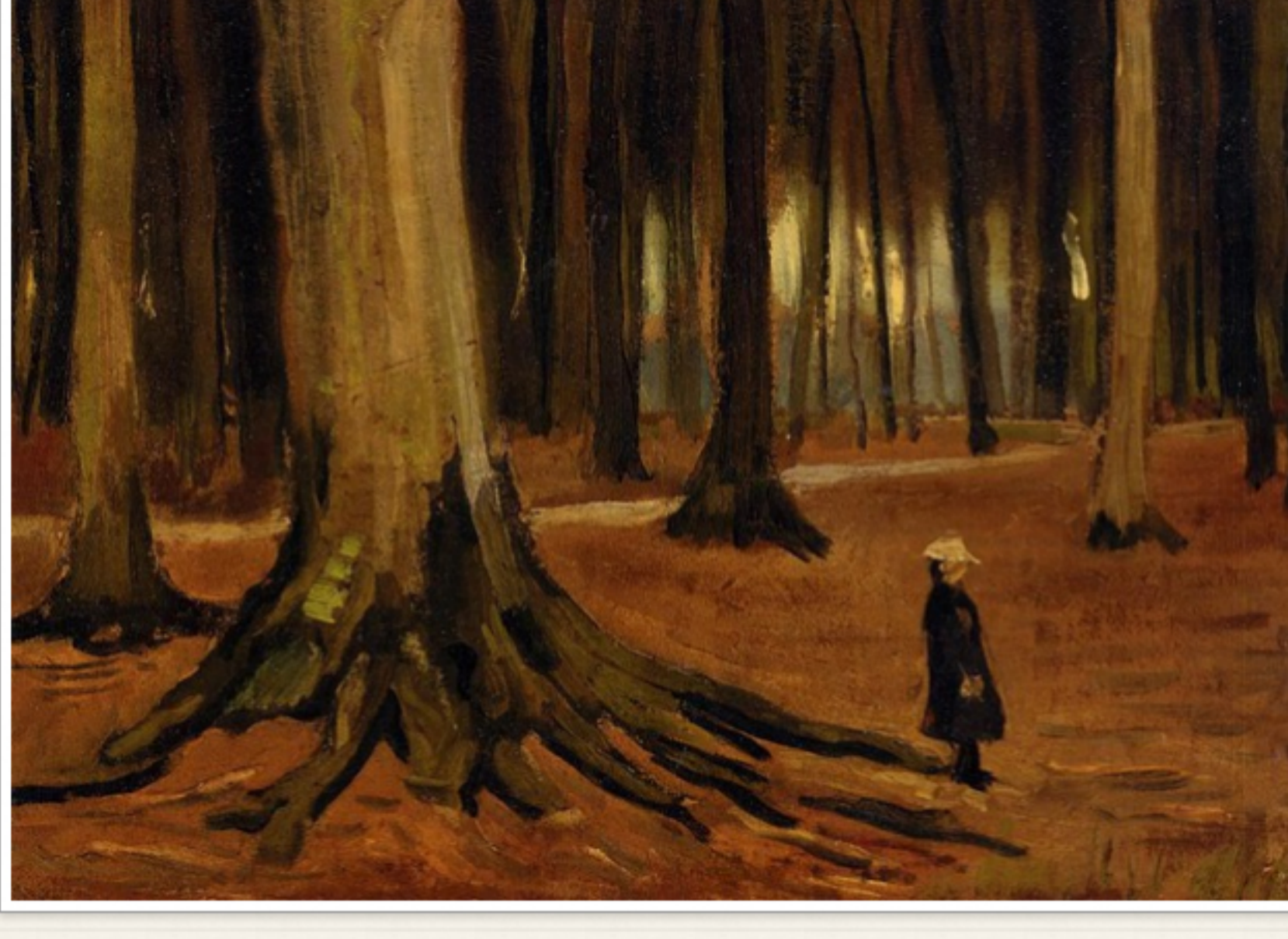


Coping with Woods & a Ring of Fire

A DECEMBER SALON



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Join us for the next SEi Salon: an Advent evening with the humorous, enigmatic, often sagacious Miss Flannery O'Connor. And again thanks to the generous hospitality of our friend, we will meet at Milford Street!



Woven (or just loosely compiled) with good company, sundry refreshments, and mysterious elements besides, we'll begin the session with another exploration of temperance, including its relations to such things as covetousness and desire.

The meeting will primarily feature a dramatic reading of Flannery O'Connor's story, *A Circle in the Fire*, followed by discussion. And then, well, it could include music, singing of sorts, stories, and general SEi whatnot.

"Every day I say a prayer of thanksgiving," Mrs. Cope said. "Think of all we have. Lord," she said and sighed, "we have everything," and she looked around at her rich pastures and hills heavy with timber and she shook her head as if it might all be a burden she was trying to shake off her back.

Mrs. Pritchard studied the woods. "All I got is four abscess teeth," she remarked.

~ from *A Circle in the Fire* by Flannery O'Connor

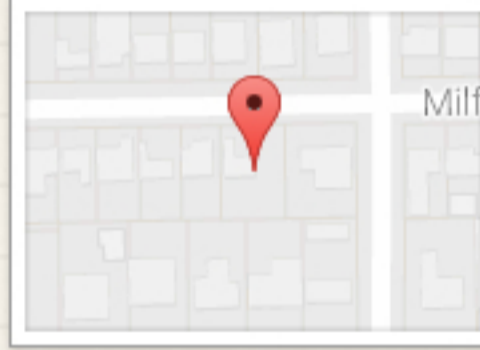
(above photo of Miss Flannery as a child, the painting is *Girl in the Woods* by Van Gogh, www.vincent-van-gogh-gallery.org)

See link below to her collected stories--a book to have in your library!

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WHEN
FRIDAY, DEC. 9TH, 7:30-10:30PM

WHERE
1707 MILFORD STREET
HOUSTON, TX



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Two blue veins had come out on either side of Mrs. Cope's forehead and Mrs. Pritchard observed them with satisfaction. "Like I toljer," she said, "there ain't a thing you can do about it."



The sun made two white spots on Powell's glasses and blotted out his eyes. "I know what let's do," he said. He took something small from his pocket and showed it to them.

~ *A Circle in the Fire*

PLAN

7:30 gather, refresh

7:45 brief enquiry into temperance and its relations to covetousness and desire, followed by a dramatic reading of *A Circle in the Fire* and discussion

10:30 finis

Please rsvp.

Space will be limited.



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GIVE LIGHT, AND THE DARKNESS WILL DISAPPEAR OF ITSELF. ~ ERASMUS



A COUPLE OF TALENTED ARTISTS

above folk art of Miss Flannery by Ande Cook, www.andecookstudio.com; above pencil sketch by Deana Staffo--check out deannastaffo.blogspot.com