

The Call Labyrinth



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Rich in symbolism the Call Labyrinth, originally created as a 15 foot diameter one time use black and white paper labyrinth created by Bill Ressler for the 2002 Fall Gathering of the Fox Valley Association of the Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ, offers the walker the opportunity to discern God's call in one's life. As one begins they are invited to circle the entire labyrinth before entering. As one enters they encounter three swoops – a place to ponder the concept of a Trinitarian God (Father, Son, Spirit). Further along seven points are encountered - a place to ponder the creation story from Genesis. Further, one comes closer to the center yet literally walks around their call followed by another encounter with the Trinity (Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer). As one enters there are many twists and turns - representing the many diversions of life as one attempts to follow God's call. At the center one is invited to stop on the receiver, the center of the sun, and listen deep within. As one follows the same path out each step of the way is an opportunity to discern how one's life and perspective of religious beliefs are challenged by the Spirit that delivers God's call - encouraging a change of life much like St. Paul had. The Call Labyrinth may be reproduced for personal use only - all other uses must be requested in writing.