

A Labyrinth Prayer Walk for PENTECOST



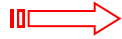
.. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my
name, will teach you everything, and
remind you of all that I have said to
you...

John 14:26 (NRSV)

Come Holy Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love...

You will need a gift tag, a piece of paper and a pen...

Opening Prayer:



Almighty God, open our hearts, open our minds and open our souls so that we might welcome your Holy Spirit anew into our lives today and every day. Amen.

Closing Prayer

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen

Labyrinth Walk



On a gift tag or piece of paper, write the name of one of your talents, skills or gifts. Hold this gift gently in your hands and take it with you into the labyrinth. As you walk consider the ways you use this gift in loving service of God and your neighbour. When you get to the centre pause for a while, talk to God about your thoughts and hopes. Listen to how God prompts your heart and welcome God's blessing. Set out, back along the path, holding your precious gift tenderly in your hand. Is there one thing you would like to do in response to this time of prayer? When you leave the labyrinth, sit for a while and write down the activity God has activated in you.... Place the gift tag in your Bible or journal... and give thanks.

Introduction

When Jesus left his disciples he said..."...you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

The Holy Spirit is with each one of us. Each one of us has the power of special gifts given to us by the Holy Spirit so that we can be faithful witnesses for Jesus.



Reading from Scripture



...there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good...

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 (NRSV)



Pause for thought

You have been given unique and special gifts...take a few moments to think about them and write them down on the piece of paper... here are some questions to help you....

What are your talents? Your skills? Your gifts?

What do people say they like about you?

What do you like doing most?



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