St. Luke's Labyrinth Open House & Kiosk Dedication FALL 2008

We had all been waiting a long time to present our outdoor Chartres Labyrinth and Garden to the community. We had just completed an information kiosk to welcome and give instruction to those who visit and are unsure how to walk a labyrinth. It was a glorious day, and neighbors and visitors did come! And many children! It was a day of celebration - balloon artists, a clown, ice cream and cookies, crafts and many who walked a labyrinth for the first time.



New signage for the Labyrinth



Our new Information Kiosk welcomes visitors to the labyrinth





One of the highlights of the afternoon was leading all the children in a *Butterfly Walk*. After a short instruction, we formed a serpentine line and very slowly made our way into the center of the labyrinth as a caterpillar. When we arrived at the center a big tub filled with bright silk scarves was attached to each child's wrists and back and we got to FLY OUT! Wings extended, bodies free from our chrysalis prison. It was happy chaos on the labyrinth! Not a way I had previously facilitated or experienced a labyrinth walk....but so good for my soul. I learned a lot about keeping my walk spontaneous, adaptable, flexible and awake to joy, as I felt my silken wings fill up with the wind of God's spirit and propel me out of the center to love and serve - surrounded by the unguarded exuberance of God's children!