

# Creating a Sacred Space

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Barbara is a graduate student in Adult Education at Oregon State University. Assigned to teach a class for her fellow students, Barbara decided to do something special and teach them about the labyrinth. To do so, she needed to make a labyrinth. Barbara and her husband, Richard, have been drawing and

painting a 15 foot labyrinth during the Monday labyrinth walks at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Salem, Oregon.

This is a lovely seven circuit classical labyrinth that she is painting in rainbow colors.

Barbara first became aware of the labyrinth in 1996 in Chicago. She finds it to be a path that leads her to the sacred feminine. Barbara is partial to the classical labyrinth's not quite perfect circular shape.



Barbara's rainbow labyrinth was enjoyed by participants of LNN's weekend with Robert Ferre, April 25-27 at Legacy Meridian Park Hospital in Tualatin, Oregon.



About the author:

Elaine Jenkins is a counselor who recently retired from a job as a Juvenile Probation Officer. Since then she has been able to devote more time to promoting the labyrinth at her parish, St Paul's Episcopal Church in Salem, Oregon. Elaine was trained as a facilitator by Lauren Artress and is a spiritual director.