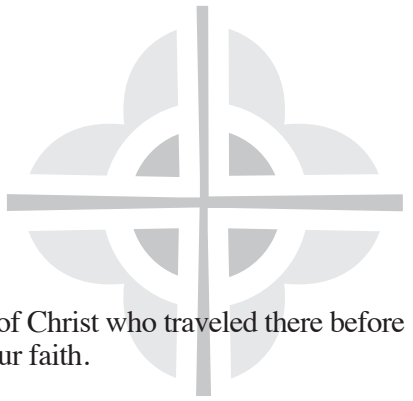


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Labyrinth by Vicar Chad Rademacher

It shouldn't come as a huge surprise that the labyrinth was birthed out of Greek Mythology. Daedalus, the ancient Greek father of architecture, built the first mythical labyrinth. At the center was an imprisonment and a confinement, which housed a half-bull and half-human creature, named Minotaur. As the story is told, Daedalus built the prison-maze with such intricate and cunning details that he nearly trapped himself. As the mythology goes, a warrior named Theseus would brave the labyrinth to slay the Minotaur. Theseus held a clue of illustrious thread in his hand as he traversed the corridors; it marked his path; his way of entering was also his way of exiting.

The mythology spread through the ages, it traveled out of the Greek island of Crete, extending south and east into India, and eventually into Christian Europe. The traveling mythology transformed into a path of pilgrimage and prayer; it became a living symbol of the journey of faith. The walk in the wilderness, to reach the center is to enter the holy city of

Jerusalem and the mystery of Christ who traveled there before us, who is at the center of our faith.

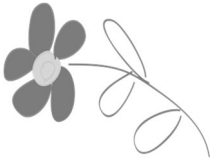
Our walk is a process of encounter, and it is a journey to the center of all things, of life, and identity...it is an encounter with God in Jesus Christ. A labyrinth is a place for prayer; Lent is a time for prayer, for contemplation, and repentance. Our clue of the thread is the guiding hand of the Holy Spirit who will lead us in and out of our pilgrimage.

Our path and our pilgrimage will lead us to the cross where we will encounter Jesus with his arms stretched over us like wings, and beneath those wings, we will find shelter, forgiveness, and the hope for a new direction.

Blessings to you as you continue on your path to Jerusalem with Jesus. We too will encounter life and death, and just like Jesus on Easter morning, a resurrection.

General Fund Report - February 2019

RECEIPTS	CURRENT MONTH			YEAR-TO-DATE		
	Actual	Budget	2018 Actual	Actual	Budget	2018 Actual
Envelope Offerings	26,515	35,145	31,940	65,599	82,500	59,285
Simply Giving Plan	23,185	26,718	24,293	47,305	53,650	49,701
Other General	575	2,580	2,589	1,118	3,280	3,704
General Fund Total	50,275	64,443	58,822	114,022	139,430	112,690
Benevolence	879		1,483	1,034		1,954
TOTAL	51,154	64,443	60,305	115,056	139,430	114,644
Communion Fund	2,988			3,520		
Memorials	889			2,034		
Hungry Jar	673			1,154		
DISBURSEMENTS						
Benevolence	7,052	7,515	6,641	7,552	15,660	12,786
Stability Triangle	54,316	46,250	43,290	117,535	111,716	94,502
Five Big Rocks	6,985	4,560	4,656	7,787	10,560	8,145
TOTAL	68,353	58,325	54,587	132,874	137,936	115,433
Gain (Loss)	(17,199)		5,718	(17,818)		(789)
Communion Fund	1,568			5,067		
Hungry Jar	606			1,334		
MORTGAGE REDUCTION						
Principle	-			-		
Interest	509			1,175		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Election Day Come for Supper Hillview Worship Service 6:30a Men's Faith Forum 8:45a Quilters 7:00p Arts & Symbolism	3 10:15a WWG 12:00p Worship/Lunch 3:30p Property Committee 6:15p Worship Dinner & Programming- see website for schedule	4 7:00a Fayze's 9:30a Seekers Bible Std. 1:30p Library Committee 6:30p Apostle Paul Class	5	6 9:00a Altar Ministry 5:00p Worship
7 1st Communion 8:30/10:45a Worship 9:30a Coffee Hour 9:45a Education Hour 9:45a NM Convo's 12:00p WWG 6:30p Youth Group	8	9 8:45a Quilters 4:00p Internship Comm. 5:30p Fellowship Council 6:00p Evangelism & Worship Councils	10 9:00a Ministry Council 10:15a WWG 12:00p Worship/Lunch 5:30p Youth Steering 6:15p Worship Dinner & Programming- see website for schedule	11 7:00a Fayze's 9:30a Seekers Bible Std. 6:30p Apostle Paul Class	12	13 5:00p Worship
14 Burrito/Palm Sun 8:30/10:45a Worship 9:30a Coffee Hour 9:30 Breakfast 9:45a Education Hour 12:00p WWG <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Crafters Retreat</div>	15	16 6:30a Men's Faith Forum 8:45a Quilters 6:30p Spiritual Direction	17 5:30p Worship Coords. 6:30p Ringers Rehearsal 7:15p Choir Rehearsal	18 Maundy Thurs. May Mini-Voice Deadline 7:00a Fayze's 9:30a Seekers 7:00p Worship	19 Good Friday OFFICE CLOSSES AT 12PM 7:00p Worship	20 Easter Vigil 5:00p Worship
21 Easter Sunday 6:30a Worship 8:30a Worship 10:45a Worship 7:30-10:30 Breakfast	22 OFFICE CLOSED 12:00p Senior Fun & Fellowship	23 8:45a Quilters 1:30p Mary Circle 6:30p Vision Board	24 12:00p Community Conversations Dinner & Programming- see website for schedule	25 7:00a Fayze's 9:30a Seekers 6:30p Apostle Paul Class	26	27 5:00p Worship
28 Pancakes/Bells 8:30/10:45a Worship (HS Seniors at 10:45) 9:30a Coffee Hour 9:45a Education Hour	29	30 Hillview Worship Service 6:30a Men's Faith Forum 8:45a Quilters	<i>We're always adding things to our calendar! For a full event schedule, including community groups that use our church, visit www.englishlutheran.org and click on the calendar button.</i>			
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