

“Fluidity”

Artist Statement

I chose to make this series while engaging in the practice of Scripture: reading, and specifically listening and reflecting. There are three things that stand out to me the most as I created and reflected.

The first theme that emerged was how the scriptures are fulfilled in the life of Jesus. As I engaged with scripture I saw God’s divine plan unfolding and confirmed repeatedly through out the life of Jesus; as he fulfilled the writings of the prophets and the scriptures that came before him. As I reflect on this I am shown that God is still doing this today in each of our lives as we follow him. He is making all things new in his time.

The next theme is personal to me and emerged describing how scripture acts as a gateway to knowing the Holy Spirit intimately. Scripture provides correction, guidance, and powerful affirmation of who we really are, our identity in Christ. I have felt guided by certain words or phrases that seem to draw me into the space of union and intimacy with God. Whole and dearly loved, made in the image of God. Meditating on scripture and the sacred word help me to remain, and stay rooted in the awareness of God’s presence in the circumstances of daily life.

As scripture is a sacred text, it also brings me into the presence of God as I meditate on the word and enter into silence. In the silence of my heart and emptying of myself, the Spirit seems to pour in filling the heart. Filling up like streams of living water, welling up and creating abundance and peace from within. It’s through the pouring out of His infinite grace that we are each slowly brought to fullness that refreshes and sustains us again and again in his presence.

Within this theme of pouring out and filling up I have created this piece. This ceramic water vessel is representative of the pouring out of God’s love into each of our hearts uninterrupted through the reading and listening of scripture. We are represented by the cups. Each of us ready to receive the nourishment specific for our individual soul at that time, always bringing us further into wholeness as God’s love flows in our hearts. And each of us fulfilling our part in the divine plan.