

## About The Images For The Carved Glass Doors

With kind assistance from Pastor Donahue and the able and thoughtful Art and Liturgical Committee to guide me, there followed a meaningful dialogue concerning the iconography for your newly commissioned carved glass doors.

It's easier to think and feel spirituality than to write about it: music doesn't always need lyrics. We hear a melody and are affected depending on mood. Design, then, need not be dependent on subjective reality----it differs for everyone. That being the case, I've tried to bring you a design understandable on different levels. As with music, these images will look familiar and appear different depending upon your mood and imagination.

Pastor Donahue suggested the Book of John as a starting point for my research. Jesus refers to .  
“ I am the light of the world.” “Whoever follows me will have the light of life and will never walk in darkness.”

“ I am the living water.” – essential to the office of Baptism and the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The transformation of water to wine. – first of his mighty works at the wedding of Cana.

“ I am the bread of life” “He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never be thirsty.”

From the story of Nicodemus and Jesus

“I tell you the truth” replied Jesus, “that no one can enter the Kingdom of God unless he is born of Water and Spirit. The wind blows wherever it wishes; you hear the sound it makes, but you do not know where it comes from or where it is going. It is the same way with everyone who is born of the Spirit

Your new etched glass is bathed in light The images of heavenly bodies on some of the panels suggest the world above and the light that shines on us. Look at other panels and you'll notice water and growth (barley and wheat) imagery. Let your imagination linger and soar; hopefully you'll enjoy and discover the hidden spirit in the light, forms and space.