

Moments of Beauty Week 8 - Visual Art

Monday, October 26



Paintings by Joan Kreps

I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15:5-8

Joan's beautiful artwork takes the words and transforms them into a picture. Our life with Christ is rich if we stay connected to the vine. It provides sustenance, support and together produces fruit. Our fruit is what people see. It defines us. We don't produce fruit for God to accept us rather the fruit is the response to our connection with God. When we become entangled in other things and disconnected from the source of our strength, we wither. But when we continue to do the things that are life-giving in Christ, we thrive. What steps can you make today to stay connected to the vine that is Christ?