

BANNERS WITH THE MESSAGE

As a tribute to the artist, the first banners with a message to be featured are used in Ordinary Time of the liturgical calendar, representing Spiritual Growth.

When the Malsack family came to us in 1979, we not only welcomed an outstanding minister in Bob, but an artist of exceptional talent in Marsha. She shared this gift with us in many ways, but we call special attention to her designing of new banners.

The pictured banners were made from two patterns, drawn by Marsha then enlarged, based on the theme from scripture. Marsha and Helen Ritchie, a former dear member, chose the colors, but Helen actually built the banners in their present form. A true gift!

GREEN represents hope, regeneration and fertility. It is the entrance of Spring, following the dead of Winter. PINK is the symbol of pure love. Legend says that the carnation flower, usually pink, grew from Mary's tears, therefore symbolizing mother's love. The three shades show the intensity of growing love, but also indicate the Trinity.

Banner I is inspired by 2 Samuel 22:31: "God's way is perfect". The three layers of pink represent the Trinity, with the Spirit moving from Heaven to earth, ending at a pulpit or open Bible or

even a baptismal font.



Banner II is inspired by the Matt 8: 19: "Where He leads I will follow". The three layers for the triangle with Christ coming from Heaven to earth and remaining here in spirit.



More banners will appear and explained as the year goes by, each

sharing the message within the design. They are not just decorations, they are Good News.