

## Special orders and their stories

Bowl and Jug Set: As part of their wedding ceremony, some couples have chosen to wash each others' feet in an act of mutual submission and service to the other.



One couple did this and then later placed their 1st born son in the bowl.



On Christmas Day 2006 I brought my wheel to church and threw pots under a stable like structure. It was a time to reflect on the forming of Jesus as a baby, boy and man. The vessels thrown on Christmas Day were put together to form a 2 foot tall pitcher. Jesus poured His life out in joy, obedience, death for the sake of the world. His was a lavish, abundant pouring out. Hence a very tall pitcher. It's used in Meadowvale Christian Reformed Church for baptism or other occasions where there is lavish outpouring.



Lord's Supper: What an honour to create vessels used for the Lord's Supper. My prayer is that each would experience during times of celebrating communion the nearness of Jesus and the forgiveness He has bought.



Baptism: Pottery bowl and jug sets have been used for baptism. The waters of baptism are a sign and seal of dying to ourselves and coming alive in God.



On Good Friday 2006 the family at Meadowvale Christian Reformed Church had a service in which we were invited to pick up a dry broken piece of clay and put it in a bowl of water, surrendering our dry, weary, broken parts. The dry clay became mushy clay, was dried out, wedged and 3 pots were thrown and later joined to form a large vessel. Handle were added. On the top was inscribed "BROKENNESS INTO WHOLENESS" and as you turn the pot around the cycle of words continues: brokenness into wholeness into brokenness into wholeness and so on. Our journey is one of recognizing our state of brokenness, submitting to the healing hand of Jesus who makes us whole. As we become more whole, we recognize His hand at work in the world, His Kingdom here and coming. We sense wholeness. We are then invited into a deeper brokenness for the things that break God's heart (the poor, the widow, the orphan, injustice). And so our spiraling journey continues.

