



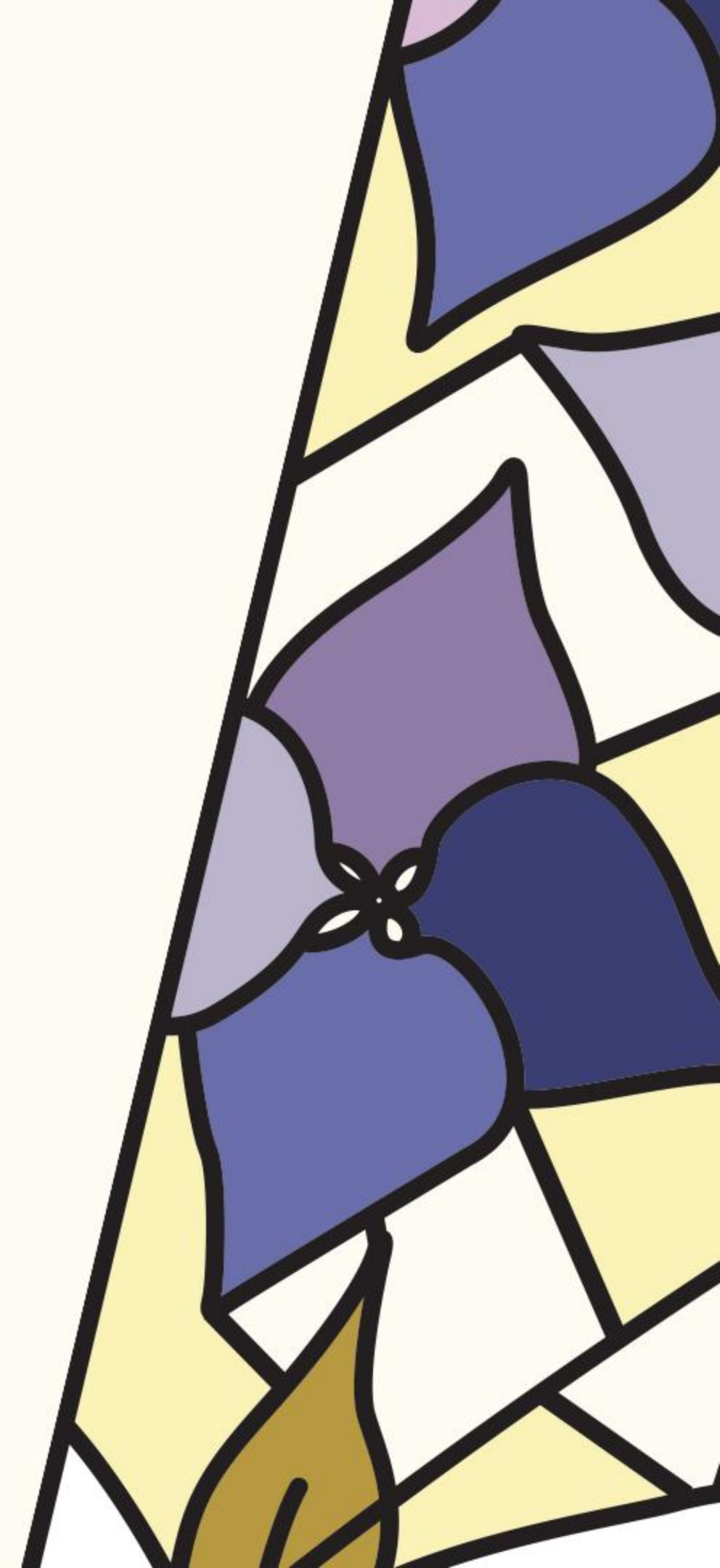
# Jesus Appears

JOHN 20:19-31



On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the disciples had gathered together and locked the doors of the place because **they were afraid** of the Jewish leaders.

John 20:19a NET



# Jesus Appears to the Disciples



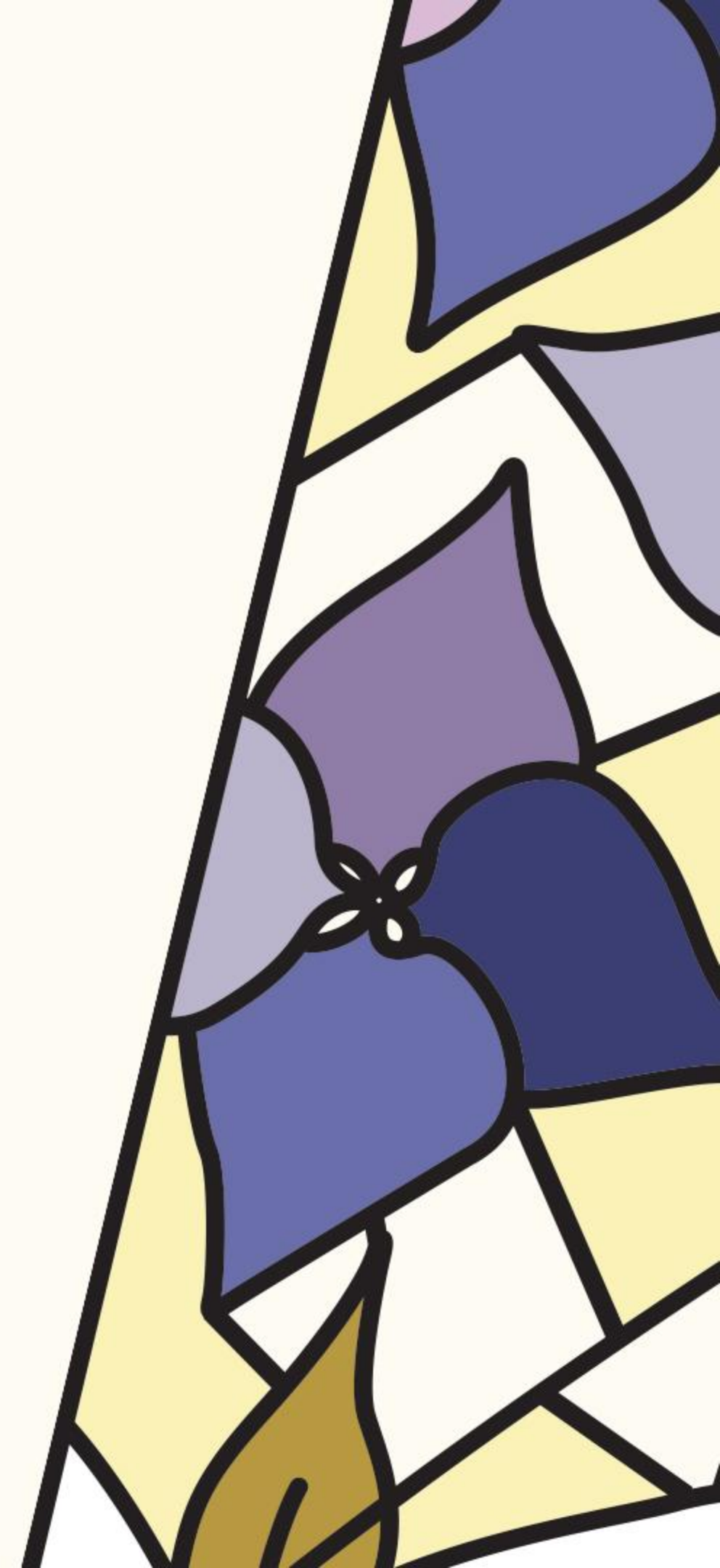
Jesus came and stood among them  
and said to them, “**Peace be with you!**”

John 20:19b NET



“Peace I leave with you; **my peace I give you.**  
I do not give to you as the world gives.  
Do not let your hearts be troubled and do  
not be afraid.”

John 14:27 NIV

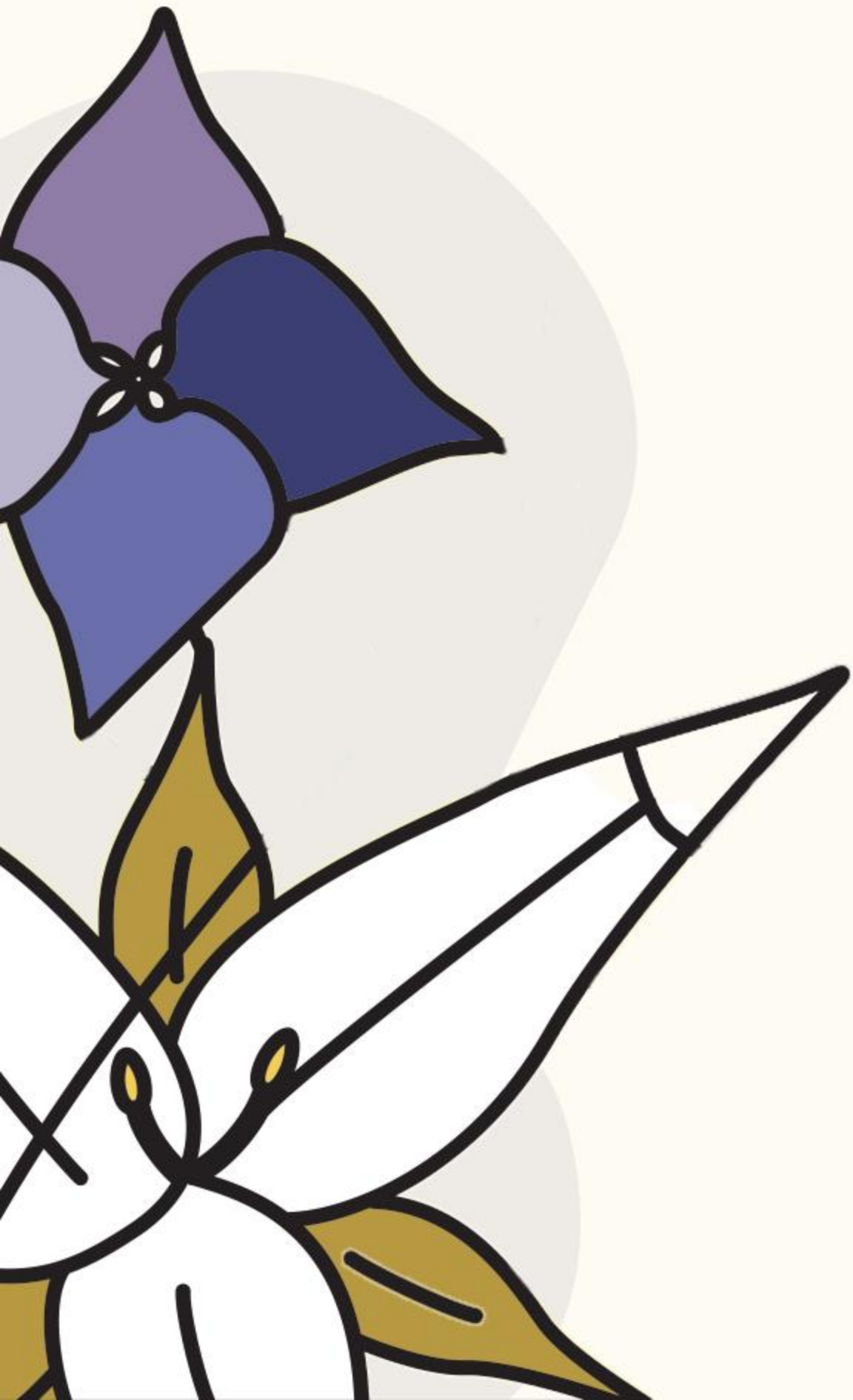


## Jesus Appears to the Disciples



When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the **disciples rejoiced** when they saw the Lord.

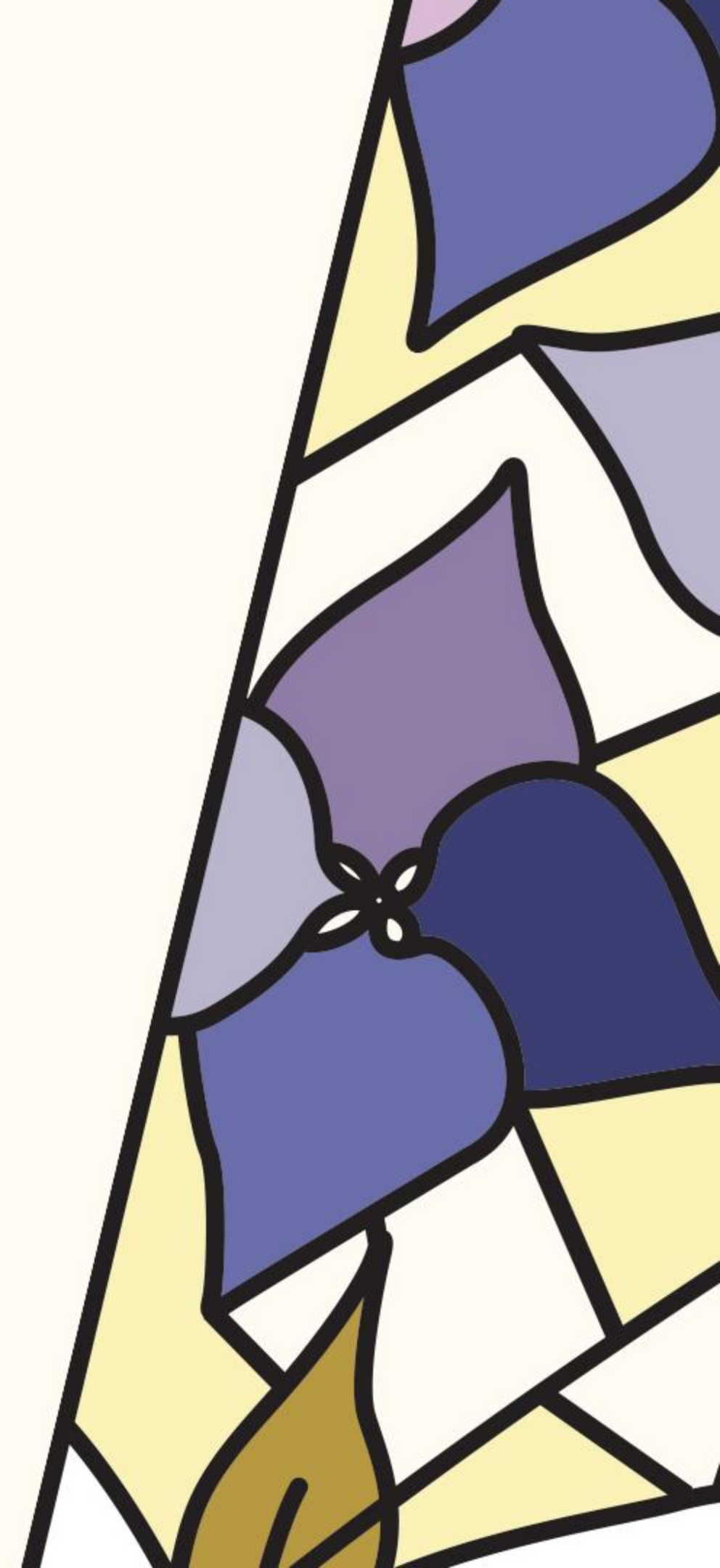
John 20:20 NET



Fear turns to **joy** because  
Jesus appeared!

Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.  
<sup>25</sup> The other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he replied, “Unless I see the wounds from the nails in his hands, and put my finger into the wounds from the nails, and put my hand into his side, **I will never believe it!**”

John 20:24-25 NET





“So, what is it about doubt that can make it good or bad? Doubt can quickly get in the way of faith. When doubt is allowed to rule, faith is clogged up. But faith seems to grow out of doubt. Certainty doesn’t make room for faith- doubt does. So maybe what I need is flexible doubt that can yield to faith and trust after being awakened.”

- Gary Stanley, *After the Passion*

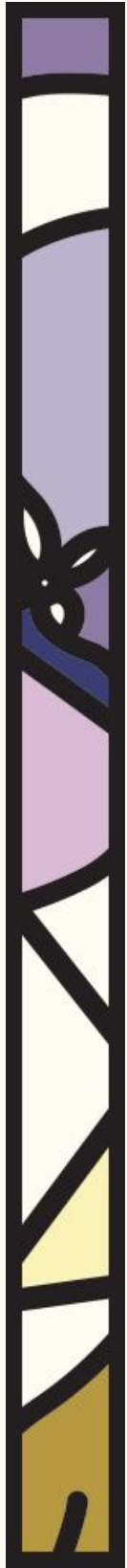


## Jesus Appears to the Disciples to Thomas



Eight days later the disciples were again together in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!”  
<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and examine my hands. Extend your hand and put it into my side. **Do not continue in your unbelief, but believe.**”

John 20:26-27 NET



**“Waiting on God requires the willingness to bear uncertainty, to carry within oneself the unanswered question, lifting the heart to God about it whenever it intrudes upon one’s thoughts.”**

**- Elisabeth Elliot**

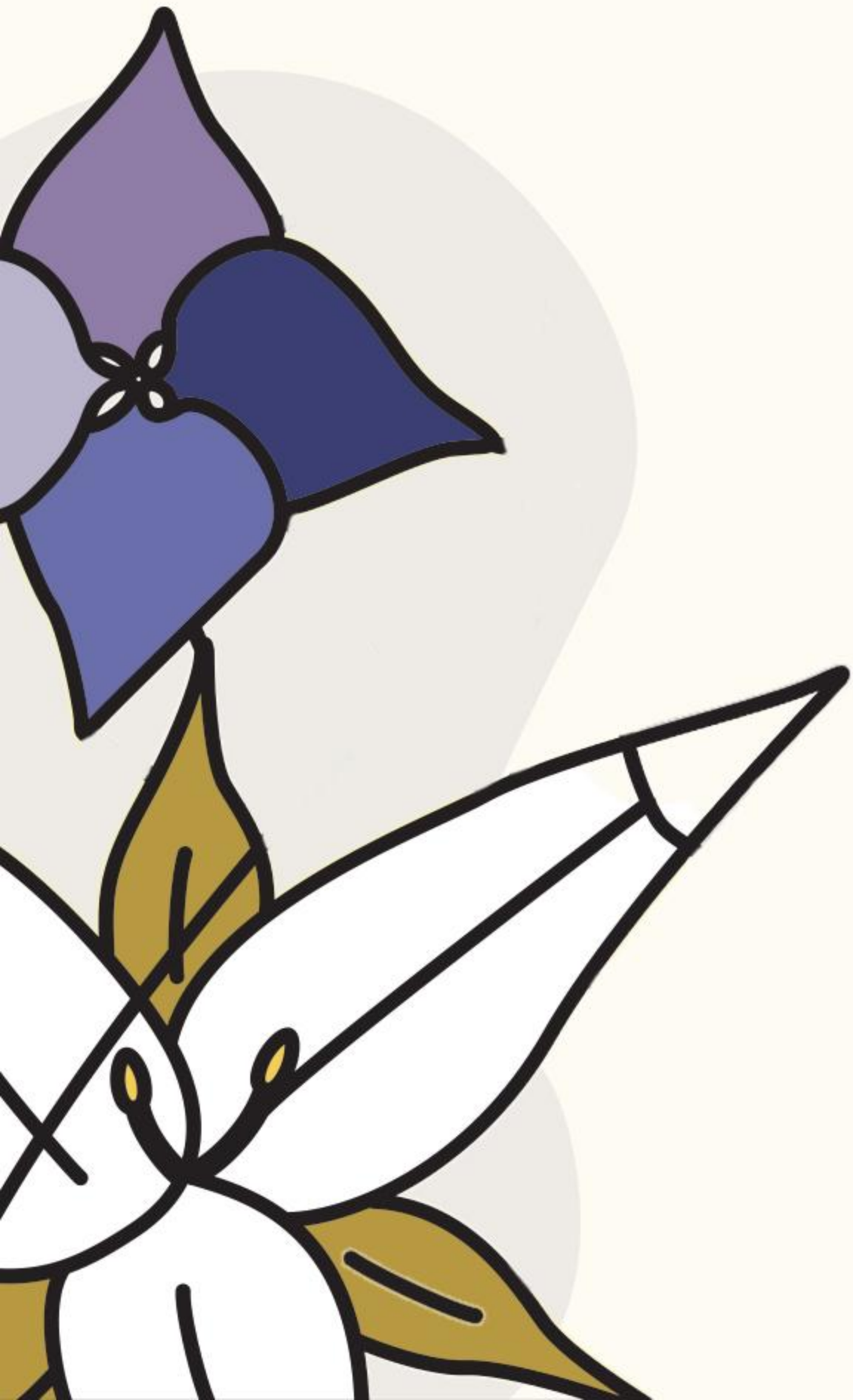
# Jesus Appears

to the Disciples  
to Thomas



Thomas replied to him, “**My Lord  
and my God!**”

John 20:28 NET



Unbelief turns to **conviction**  
because Jesus appeared!





# Transforming **Faith**

- ✧ **Content** to accept
- ✧ **Commitment** to act

# Jesus Appears

to the Disciples  
to Thomas



Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? **Blessed are the people who have not seen and yet have believed.**”

John 20:29 NET

# Jesus Appears

to the Disciples  
to Thomas  
to us



Now Jesus performed many other miraculous signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are recorded **so that you may believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that **by believing you may have life** in his name.

John 20:30-31 NET



**“Faith isn’t the ability to believe long and far into the misty future. It’s simply taking God at his word and taking the next step.”**

**- Joni Eareckson Tada**