

Didymus Ink



Art for Everyone

A Season of Refinement,
Restoration, and New
Beginnings

With Didymus Ink



by [Rev. Lindsey Thomas](#) on May 25, 2026

To our friends, supporters, customers, community members, and everyone who has continued to encourage our family through the last several years, we thank you.

Many of you have noticed that Didymus Ink has operated differently over the last couple of years. Some projects slowed down. Some opportunities were turned down. Some events were missed. At times, our social media became quieter while other times it became deeply personal.

There is a reason for that.

Behind the scenes, our family has been walking through one of the most difficult and transformative seasons of our lives.

What many people may not know is that during this time, we became deeply involved in volunteer ministry work within our local church community. What began as simply searching for healing, belonging, and spiritual restoration after seasons of homelessness, health struggles, and hardship slowly grew into years of service, leadership training, ministry education, outreach work, and community care.

I completed extensive coursework to become a Certified Lay Servant, studied ministry deeply, wrote, and delivered sermons, served in church leadership, helped organize community outreach efforts, and poured an enormous amount of time and energy into helping support and revive a small aging congregation that we genuinely love.

At the same time, Didymus Ink often took a back seat.

As a small family-owned creative business, there is no large corporation behind us. When we step away from projects to care for people, serve the community, or survive difficult seasons personally, the business feels it immediately. There were times we paused opportunities, delayed creative goals, or lost income simply because our focus had shifted toward ministry, caregiving, leadership responsibilities, and navigating significant personal instability.

The reality is this season affected our business deeply.

Strangely enough, it also refined it.

One of the greatest lessons I have learned through all of this is that creativity and faith are deeply connected. My Positive Through Negative™ watercolor process has always been about discovering beauty through contrast. Allowing even the empty spaces and difficult spaces to shape something meaningful.



Life works much the same way.

Sometimes the hardest seasons become the places where growth quietly begins.

Sometimes God strips away the things we thought defined us so we can finally understand who we truly are underneath it all.

While this chapter has included heartbreak, disappointment, instability, and enormous change, it has also brought clarity. It reminded me why Didymus Ink exists in the first place.

Didymus Ink was never just about paint.

It's about bringing beauty into difficult places.

It's about creating joy for families.

It's about helping people feel seen.

It's about community, creativity, healing, faith, and connection.

That vision has not disappeared.

If anything, it has become stronger.

As we move forward, our family is slowly rebuilding, refocusing, and stepping into a new season creatively and spiritually. We are continuing to offer face painting, window painting, art classes, murals, creative outreach, community projects, and the Positive Through Negative™ experience that so many of you have supported over the years.

We may look a little different now.

A little wiser.

A little quieter.

A little more refined by fire.

Although we are still here and deeply grateful for every single person who has continued supporting our family and our business together, praying for us, encouraging us, booking with us, purchasing our art, attending our events, sharing kind words, or simply reminding us that what we create still matters.

Thank you for walking this journey with us.

Remember...the negative space shapes the light.

With love & gratitude,

Rev. Lindsey Thomas

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THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES



Beautiful Weather & Community Smiles

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This week reminded us why we love creating art in our local communities so much. Sunshine, laughter, face painting, and meaningful conversations filled our weekend events, and we are so grateful to everyone who stopped by to support Didymus Ink.

Face Painting at the Markets

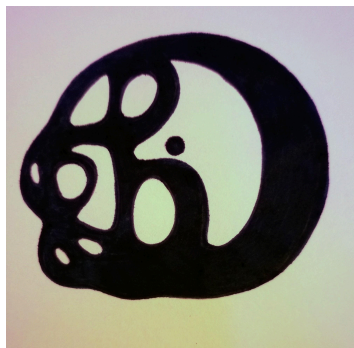
We had a wonderful time bringing colorful designs and smiles to families at the Cowlitz County Farmers' Market in Longview and the first ever Farm to Table at the Three Rivers Crossing in Kelso. Watching children light up after seeing themselves transformed into butterflies, dragons, tigers, and sparkly creations never gets old.

Creativity, Community, & New Beginnings

This season has reminded us that art is more than decoration, it creates connection. We are continuing to rebuild, refocus, and dream up new community art projects, new and improved Positive Through Negative™ classes, and outreach opportunities for the future.

A Personal Thank you

To everyone who has prayed for us, encouraged us, booked with us, shared our work, or simply shown kindness during difficult times, we thank you. Your support means more than you know.



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