

WILLIAMSTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WUMC's

Daily Devotional

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Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.
The People of the United Methodist Church

Scripture Verse:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:1

Devotion:

Have you ever been mistaken for someone else? When I first started off into the ministry, I had a lady come up to me and tell me what a great job I was doing, how she had heard such great things about me and what was going on at the church, and how she was so impressed with such a young man. My head was swelling the whole time she was speaking to me. But then she ended it by saying, "What is going on there at that Baptist church is amazing!" That's when I had to embarrassingly tell her that I was the young Methodist minister and not the young Baptist minister. She then said, "oh, well I'm sure you are doing a good job as well."

I was glad that she had elevated me when she misunderstood who I was, but how awful it would be for someone to misunderstand me by lowering me. Now to be honest, to me that wouldn't be much of an issue...but imagine the greatness of Jesus. In today's verse it tells us that He is none other than God in the flesh! And yet how many people misunderstand Him to be something lower. How about us? Do we acknowledge the identity of Christ by how we live our life? Would others regard the greatness of Christ by how they watch us His followers? Is Jesus more than just a good name to you?

Questions to Ponder:

How do you see Jesus, both theologically and practically? What do others see about Jesus by watching you?

Prayer:

Father, I do believe that Jesus is the Word made flesh. Help me to live my life in such a way that acknowledges that. In Jesus Name, Amen.