

## I BELIEVE...GRACE

United Methodists come from a rich tradition of beliefs and practices. Each week you are invited to dig deeper. Use these days to study, to pray, to consider what you believe. As United Methodists, our beliefs are formed and evaluated through a quadrilateral: scripture, history, experience, and reason. Read one scripture each day. Then dig deeper through the quotes and other resources on the page.



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The next Thursday meeting at Corner Bakery will be on August 31.

## GRACE

### Readings for this week:

Monday – Psalm 51:1-17

Tuesday – John 1:14-17

Wednesday - Ro. 3:21-26

Thursday – Eph. 2:1-10

Friday - Psalm 23

Saturday – Titus 2:11-14

### From the Journal of John Wesley:

Wesley's description of his experience at Aldersgate Street on May 24, 1738, perhaps portrays the meaning of justifying grace: "About a quarter before nine, while he [the leader] was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ. I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation and an assurance was given me that he had taken away *my* sins, even *mine* and saved *me* from the law of sin and death."

### Dig Deeper:

- <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/6821/why-i-am-still-a-united-methodist-grace-for-all-grace-in-all>
- <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/a-wesleyan-understanding-of-grace>
- <https://www.umc.org/en/content/the-wesleyan-concept-of-grace>

### For Reflection and Prayer:

Write or draw out your life. Where has God been present? Where is God calling you?

### Because I believe...:

Write out a short statement that expresses your belief.