
Vale United Methodist Church



“Lazarus & Winnie-the-Pooh”

March 29, 2020

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124

www.ValeChurch.org

Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m.

[Facebook.com/groups/valechurch](https://www.facebook.com/groups/valechurch)



United in faith, we seek to...

Align our lives with the way of Jesus Christ.

Invite others to journey with us.

Move beyond our walls to create a more just and loving world.

“Lazarus & Winnie-the-Pooh”

What can Winnie-the-Pooh teach us about hope?

GATHERING

We gather as the people of God to be formed by God’s grace.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

Lay Reader

One: O mortal, can these bones live?

Many: Only the Lord God knows.

One: O people, hope in the Lord.

Many: With the Lord there is steadfast love and great
power to redeem.

*** Hymn “In the Garden”**

UMH 314

*** Prayer of Confession**

Lay Reader

One: To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the
mind on the Spirit is life and peace. Trusting in the
Spirit of God, let us confess our sin.

Many: O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could
live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith
in death than hope in your promise of life. We seek
peace through war and find security in weapons.
We abandon the hungry, sick, and dying, and
pursue wealth by making others poor. And even so,
you love us; still there is forgiveness with you!
Therefore we worship you; for you alone, O Lord,

**can save us from death and redeem us from our sin.
Amen.**

One: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! If Jesus Christ dwells in you, the Spirit of God will be your life and the grace of God will be your righteousness. And if the Holy Spirit dwells in you, then God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will also give life to your mortal bodies. Friends, this is the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Many: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!
Amen and Amen.**

***Psalter**

Psalm 130

UMH 848

One: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! Lord, hear my voice!

Many: **Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**

One: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

Many: **But there is forgiveness with you that you may be worshiped.**

One: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, in the Lord's word I hope;

Many: **my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for morning,
more than those who watch for morning.**

One: O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
With the Lord is plenteous redemption.

Many: **And the Lord will redeem Israel from all iniquities.**

Anthem Blessings Story
Sharon Geddes, soloist

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

We hear God's word proclaimed. We act in response.

Scripture John 11:1-15

Children's Moment Melissa Meadows

Sermon "Lazarus & Winnie-the-Pooh" Pastor Jeff

*** Hymn "Trust and Obey"** UMH 467

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer UMH 393

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me,

Prayers of the People

You may ask for prayer requests via chat. You also may send prayer requests to PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org. After each petition, there will be a moment of silence closed by "Lord, in your mercy." Please respond with "Hear our prayer."

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

*** Hymn “Lord of the Dance”**

UMH 261

SENDING FORTH

Transformed by God's presence, we go into the world to serve.

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

**Please stand in spirit or in posture.*

UMH - *United Methodist Hymnal* TFWS - *The Faith We Sing Hymnal*

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020

“Youth Sunday”

In the Garden

(I Come to the Garden Alone)

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone while the dew is
 2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the
 3. I'd stay in the gar - den with him though the night a -

still on the ros - es, and the voice I hear fall - ing on my ear,
 birds hush their sing - ing, and the mel - o - dy that he gave to me
 round me be fall - ing, but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe

Refrain
 the Son of God dis - clos - es.
 with - in my heart is ring - ing. And he walks with me, and he
 his voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, and he tells me I am his own; and the

joy we share as we tar - ry there, none oth - er has ev - er known.

WORDS: C. Austin Miles, 1913 (Jn. 20:11-18)
 MUSIC: C. Austin Miles, 1913; adapt. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

GARDEN
 89.557 with Refrain

Trust and Obey

1. When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
 2. Not a bur - den we bear, not a sor - row we share,
 3. But we nev - er can prove the de - lights of his love
 4. Then in fel - low - ship sweet we will sit at his feet,

what a glo - ry he sheds on our way!
 but our toil he doth rich - ly re - pay;
 un - til all on the al - tar we lay;
 or we'll walk by his side in the way;

While we do his good will, he a - bides with us still,
 not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
 for the fa - vor he shows, for the joy he be - stows,
 what he says we will do, where he sends we will go;

and with all who will trust and o - bey.
 but is blest if we trust and o - bey.
 are for them who will trust and o - bey.
 nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.

Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me."

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The second system of music continues the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me."

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

The third system of music features a more sustained melody in the treble clef and a bass line with chords. The lyrics are: "Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me."

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

The fourth system of music concludes the piece with a final cadence in both staves. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me."

Lord of the Dance

Unison G Em Bm Em

—1. I danced in the morning when the world was be-gun, and I
 2. I danced for the scribe and the Phar - i - see, but they
 —3. I danced on the sab-bath when I cured the lame, the
 4. I danced on a Fri-day and the sky turned black; it's
 —5. They cut me down and I leapt up high,

danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I
 would not dance and they would not fol - low me; I
 ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame; they
 hard to dance with the dev - il on your back; they
 I am the life that 'll nev - er, nev - er die; I'll

came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth. At
 danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John; they
 whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; and they
 bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone, but
 live in you if you'll live in me;

Am *D7* *C* *G Refrain* *G* *Bm*

Beth - le - hem I had my birth.
 came to me and the dance went on.
 left me there on a cross to die. Dance, then, wher -
 I am the dance and I still go on.
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

WORDS: Sydney Carter, 1963

MUSIC: 19th cent. Shaker tune; adapt. by Sydney Carter, 1963;
harm. by Gary Alan Smith, 1988LORD OF THE DANCE
Irr. with Refrain

LIFE AND TEACHING

ev - er you may be; I am the Lord of the

Chords: Em, G

Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all wher - ev - er you may

Chords: Am, D, G, C, G, D7

be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

Chords: G, C, D7, G, C, G

Vale Ministry Opportunities

March 29, 2020

WELCOME GUESTS! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Whether you are new to the area or a long-time resident, we warmly welcome you to our community of faith at Vale Church!

We look forward to meeting you—and hope to see you again soon!



Vale UMC is proud to be recognized as a Safe Haven congregation. If you suspect signs of human trafficking, please call 888.373.7888 or text 233733.

Enjoy today's message? - Sermons can also be found on YouTube and SoundCloud. Search for Vale United Methodist church. If you would like a DVD, please let us know.

Church updates - Did you know Vale sends out via email a weekly *Shout* and a monthly *Voice* with church updates? If you are **not** receiving our emails and would like to, please let the Vale office know.

4th Annual Morning of Service - POSTPONED

Vale's Morning of Service will be rescheduled soon. We will provide an opportunity for you to sign up early as soon as the COVID-19 situation improves. Please contact Mary Morran 540-270-5693 if you have questions or need more information.



Buy Grocery Cards, Fund Vale Missions!

Vale continues to sell grocery cards during the week through the church office. We have Giant, Safeway, Wegmans, and Whole Foods cards. Vale makes a 5% profit on every card sold, 100% of which is used to fund Vale's missions! Stop in anytime Tuesday - Friday from 9:15 am to 2:15 pm to purchase.

The Closet -Closed This Month -

The Closet will be closed through the end of the month.



Do you want to support Vale's ministries? Did you know that you can give to Vale online? We use the respected vendor PushPay. You don't have to set up an account and you can designate your offering for a particular mission, program or for the general church funding. Go to <http://pushpay.com/g/valechurch> and see how easy it is. The information is confidential and secure.

If you have any questions or run into any difficulty using PushPay, please contact our Financial Secretary, Brad Geddes, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org



Holy Land Christian Sales
Hear their story and buy their beautiful
olivewood crafts



On **April 26, 2020** after all services, we will be hosting a nice display of handmade olivewood religious carvings from Bethlehem and Jerusalem available for purchase. These carvings include olive wood nativity sets, crosses, Christmas ornaments, candle holders, angels and many other religious crafts that make nice wedding, baptism, Easter, and especially Christmas gifts.

These carvings are handmade by Christian families in Bethlehem who rely on sales for their daily bread. For more than ten years Bethlehem Christians have been enduring many hardships as tourism in Bethlehem has plummeted and access to other sources of income has been sharply restricted due to the ongoing conflict. Many Christians left their homeland. The Christian population of the Holy Land went down from 30% in the last century to almost 1% today.

Please help support our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem by purchasing their carvings. George Ghanem, an indigenous Christian from Bethlehem will be standing by the carvings after all masses. Let us keep Bethlehem a Christian town forever.

Proceeds go to support Christian artisans from Bethlehem. It is never too late to help. The website showing the crafts is www.holylandcsc.com

Contemporary Christian Topics Discussion Group with John Colwell

The Contemporary Christian Topics discussion group has begun meeting virtually. Please check your email for more details. We will resume meeting face to face in a few weeks.

Sunday Evening Bible Study (7:00pm) with Vic Larson

The Sunday Evening Bible study is cancelled until the health situation improves.



Wednesday Bible Study (10:30am) with Pastor Jeff

The Wednesday morning Bible Study will meet virtually via Zoom each Wednesday at 10:30 am. If you would like to participate, please email Pastor Jeff at Pastor@Valechurch.org.

This Week at Vale: March 29, 2020 – April 5, 2020

Sun, Mar 29

- 8:30 am Live Virtual Worship Service
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics via Zoom
- 11:30 am Youth Group- Virtual

Tues, Mar 31

- 6:30 pm Youth Bible Study - Virtual
- 6:30 pm Confirmation Class via Zoom

Wed, Apr 1

- 10:30 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study - Virtual

Sun, Apr 5

- 8:30 am Live Virtual Worship Service
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics via Zoom
- 11:30 am Youth Group- Virtual

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