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# Vale United Methodist Church

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## “Church as Community”

October 25, 2020

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124

[www.ValeChurch.org](http://www.ValeChurch.org)

Sunday Worship at 8:30 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.

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**21<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost      October 25, 2020**  
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**GATHERING**

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

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude**

**\* Call to Worship**

**Lay Reader**

One:      Jesus did not come to establish denominations.

Many:     He came to bring salvation to all who call upon his  
              holy name.

One:      Let us cast aside all that which is petty and  
              irrelevant.

Many:     Let us put away childish things that only serve to  
              bring division and duress.

One:      The Lord calls us as one. God sees us as one.

Many:     We are the “church” together!

**Hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

**UMH 400**

## **\* Prayer of Confession**

**Lay Reader**

One: God declares: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come and my deliverance be revealed. Confident in our deliverance, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Many: **Holy God, we confess we have not been obedient to your will for us. We have sought justice for ourselves, but neglected justice for others. We have insisted on our rights, but have not lived rightly in our relationships. We have desired mercy for our sins, but we have not offered mercy to those who have sinned against us. By the power of your Holy Spirit, free us from the prison of our disobedience. Help us to love as you have loved us, that our lives may testify to your abounding grace through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

One: Friends, the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Receive the gift of forgiveness and share that gift with others, for in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

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

## **PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE**

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

**Scripture**

**Matthew 18:15-20**

**Children's Moment**

**Melissa Meadows**

**Sermon "Church as Community"**

**Rev. Jeff Haugh**

**Hymn "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"**

**UMH 430**

**Call for Joys and Concerns**

**Call to Prayer**

**UMH 405**

**"Seek Ye First"**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, Alleluia!

**Prayers of the People**

*You may ask for prayer requests via chat. You also may send prayer requests to [PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org](mailto: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.

**Special Music** Down to the River to Pray  
    Traditional/Krauss  
    Jan Smith, Clint O'Brien  
    Tom Moran, Michael Mintz

## **Blessing of the Offerings**

**Hymn "Where Charity and Love Prevail"**

**UMH 549 vs. 1, 3, 5**

## **SENDING FORTH**

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

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

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*\*Please stand in spirit or in posture.*

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WS - Worship & Song

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**NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP**

22<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, November 1, 2020

*All Saints' Sunday*

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## Vale Ministry Opportunities

### October 25, 2020

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#### WELCOME FRIENDS! 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 in person—and hope to see you with us 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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**Virtual Lay Readers Needed** - We have a need for Virtual Lay Readers. If you and your family would be willing to prerecord a portion of the worship service, let us know. Please contact the church office at [office@valechurch.org](mailto:office@valechurch.org) if you can help.



## Vale Music -

### Special Music Request -



We are in need of special music each Sunday for the online worship service. Please contact Jan Smith at [music@valechurch.org](mailto:music@valechurch.org) if you would be willing to share your gifts in this way. Singing, playing an instrument, solos, duets, etc. - we'd love to have you participate!

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**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](mailto:FinSec@ValeChurch.org)

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**Give Back While Shopping! It's easy - just Use Vale's Amazon.com Link!**

Did you know that Vale can earn 6% - 8% of all the items you purchase from Amazon.com for Vale Church Missions? To initially invoke this program, you have to use the link on the Vale website. The link can be found on the home page. Scroll down the page and on the left you will see:

**Shop Online & Support Vale Missions** [Use this link for Amazon.com](#) and a percentage of your purchase supports Vale Missions!

Click on the link and it will load the Amazon home page that is tied to the Vale refund program. Simply bookmark this site and/or add to your favorites, then every time you want to sign on to Amazon just click on your bookmarked link. Use every time you shop on Amazon!



**Operation Gratitude** - Love to knit and crochet? Operation Gratitude is collecting knitted scarves and hats for the military through the month of October. There are a few guidelines for donations. If you'd like to help contact Margie Koller at [kollermargie@gmail.com](mailto:kollermargie@gmail.com).

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**Webinar** - "Racial Justice: The Questions You Always Wanted to Ask" - October 27

The webinar will address racial justice inequities and questions you have asked the Social Justice Task Force. The format will be different from our Zoom calls in that you will only see and respond to the moderators and presenters. The event will be shared via Facebook in real time.

This is an opportunity to hear what the Social Justice Task Force has learned in the past 4 months. We will also hear the perspective of systemic racism from Ben Lollie, who is a minister at Reed Temple AME Church working with older adult ministries.

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**Trunk or Treat Drive Thru Event** - Looking for a way to hand out Halloween treats without the fears of the pandemic? Register to reserve a parking slot at the church on October 31 from 1:00- 3:00pm to hand out goodies in a safe way! We are devising ways to distribute treats from 6 feet away while children come through the church parking lot in their vehicles. They will be showing off their costumes while we admire them from a distance, and they drive slowly by. You are also invited to dress up and decorate your car to add to the fun. To register, please go to <https://bit.ly/ValeTrunkorTreat>.



**All Saints' Sunday** - November 1<sup>st</sup> is All Saints' Sunday. We will celebrate the lives of the many saints in our lives and read the names of those who have gone on to glory in the past year. If you would like us to read the name of someone who has been a saint to you, please let the church office know their full name and the date of their passing. Send information to [Office@ValeChurch.org](mailto:Office@ValeChurch.org).

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**Advent is Coming!** - You may wish to purchase your own Advent wreath to light with your family as we worship virtually together. Some suggestions for the components are below.

- Wreath ring: [https://www.amazon.com/Vermont-Christmas-Company-Advent-Wreath/dp/B0044EFMTW/ref=sr\\_1\\_16?dchild=1&keywords=advent+wreath&qid=1598387641&sr=8-16](https://www.amazon.com/Vermont-Christmas-Company-Advent-Wreath/dp/B0044EFMTW/ref=sr_1_16?dchild=1&keywords=advent+wreath&qid=1598387641&sr=8-16)
- Wax candles: [https://www.amazon.com/Mega-Candles-Unscented-Advent-Candle/dp/B00FQTRQT8/ref=sr\\_1\\_53?dchild=1&keywords=advent%2Bcandles&qid=1598392529&sr=8-53&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/Mega-Candles-Unscented-Advent-Candle/dp/B00FQTRQT8/ref=sr_1_53?dchild=1&keywords=advent%2Bcandles&qid=1598392529&sr=8-53&th=1)
- LED (flameless) candles: [https://www.amazon.com/Flameless-Advent-Candle-4-Piece-Candles/dp/B071BCJWVT/ref=sr\\_1\\_71?dchild=1&keywords=advent+wreath&qid=1598387810&sr=8-71](https://www.amazon.com/Flameless-Advent-Candle-4-Piece-Candles/dp/B071BCJWVT/ref=sr_1_71?dchild=1&keywords=advent+wreath&qid=1598387810&sr=8-71)

You may leave the candle ring undecorated as a stark reminder of the longing of Advent, or add greenery, bows, and other decorations to match your family's holiday preferences. You may also want to add a white pillar candle (regular and LED candles are readily available) to light on Christmas Eve as your Christ candle.

We'd love a picture of your Advent wreath with your family and we'll include it in the video.

Join us on Sundays in Advent as we light our wreaths, and daily on Facebook for Advent devotionals beginning November 29th.

## Wednesday Bible Study (10:00 am) with Pastor Jeff

The Wednesday morning Bible Study meets virtually via Zoom. We are studying *America's Original Sin*. Join us via Zoom at

<https://zoom.us/j/95924672318?pwd=dG96N0hEWERMMElObWtCRVZhd1FDdz09>

If you have any questions, please email Pastor Jeff at [Pastor@Valechurch.org](mailto:Pastor@Valechurch.org).



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## Contemporary Christian Topics (CCT) Discussion Group with John Colwell

The CCT meet electronically at 9:30 am Sunday mornings. Below are the Zoom details to join us:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87413660828?pwd=TktV29QNY9JUEdwSU4xd0ttWEZwZz09>

Meeting ID: 874 1366 0828 Passcode: 023274

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

The Sunday Evening Bible Study will meet today, October 18<sup>th</sup> virtually. We are studying *The Good and Beautiful Community* this Fall. All are welcome.

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**Children's Virtual Sunday School** – Children's Virtual Sunday School is available for Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We meet Sunday mornings via Zoom at 10 am and 11 am. If your child is interested in participating please email [office@valechurch.org](mailto:office@valechurch.org).

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**This Week at Vale: October 25, 2020 – November 1, 2020**

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**Sun, Oct 25**

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics
- 10:00 am Children's Sunday School (4<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup>)
- 11:00 am Children's Sunday School (K – 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- 11:00 am Youth Group (7<sup>th</sup> and up)
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study

**Tues, Oct 27**

- 4:00 pm Youth Bible Study

**Wed, Oct 28**

- 10:00 am Bible Study with Pastor Jeff

**Sun, Nov 1**

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics
- 10:00 am Children's Sunday School (4<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup>)
- 11:00 am Children's Sunday School (K – 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- 11:00 pm Communion Service Drive-In
- 11:30 pm Confirmation Ceremony
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study

During this time of quarantine, all meetings are held virtually. All worship services and most meetings can be accessed by computer, mobile device or phone (audio only). For virtual meeting access information, send an email to [Office@ValeChurch.org](mailto:Office@ValeChurch.org).

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