
Vale United Methodist Church



“Love and Marriage”

August 22, 2021

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124

www.ValeChurch.org

Sunday Worship at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 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.

GATHERING

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

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

Lay Reader

One: Holy One, we have no claim on you

Many: except that you made us and will not let us go.

One: In this hour, suffer with your people once again

Many: until we hear your voice in our wilderness and
remember whose we are;

One: for we pray in the name of the healer you sent,

Many: and by your Spirit, which gives us life. Amen.

Hymn “How Can We Name a Love”

UMH 111

*** Prayer of Confession**

Lay Reader

One: Jesus said, those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have come to call not the righteous, but sinners. Assured of God's love, let us say how it is with us, that we might hear more clearly the call of the Christ.

Many: Gracious Creator, we spend so much time hiding our fear, our anger, our anxiety, our addictions; we imagine ourselves invulnerable. In your mercy, uncover our brokenness, that we might be more truly known.

Holy Redeemer, we have institutionalized our deceit; we cater to the powerful and sequester the poor. In your mercy, uncover our brokenness, that we might be more truly known. Sustaining Spirit, Great Physician, you promise to receive us, wounded and welcomed, just as we are. You bring life from ruptured offerings; you heal our disease. In your mercy, mend our brokenness, that you might be more truly known. Amen.

One: Sisters and brothers, the Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Believe this good news: In Jesus Christ, our stories are known, our sins are forgiven, our lives are made new.

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

Hosea 1:2-9

Children's Sermon

Rev. Dietz

Sermon “Love and Marriage”

Rev. Haugh

***Hymn “The Gift of Love”**

UMH 408

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

UMH 334

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

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 “Merciful God,” Please respond with “hear our prayer.”

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
 your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
 now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

**“Great is Thy Faithfulness/My Redeemer is
Faithful and True” arr. Gettys**

Jan Smith, Clint O'Brien, Norm Dietz

Blessing of the Offerings

***Hymn “O How I Love Jesus”**

UMH 170

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
WS - Worship & Song

Children's Church

We invite the children to take a worship packet and work on the activities during worship at their seats or at the Children's Corner. Our youngest are invited to go to the nursery, across the hall from the worship space.

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

14th Sunday of Pentecost, August 29, 2021

“Building Walls”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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This Week at Vale: August 22, 2021 – August 29, 2021

Sun, August 22

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)

Tues, August 24

- 6:00 pm Youth Gaming*

Sat, August 28

- 9:00 am Women's Study

Sun, August 29

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)

At this time, many meetings are offered in a hybrid virtual and in-person format. Please contact your group leader for specific information, or email the office at Office@ValeChurch.org.

* see announcement for details

Vale Ministry Opportunities

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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.

Enjoy today's message? – Sermons can also be found on YouTube and Facebook by searching 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.

Lay Readers Needed – We have a need for virtual and in-person Lay Readers. If you and your family would be willing to prerecord a portion of the worship service, or read at our in-person service, let us know. Please contact the church office at office@valechurch.org if you can help.

Vale Youth Gaming – Youth Group will be meeting on Tuesday at 6 via Zoom. We will be playing Gartic Phone! For more information please contact youth@valechurch.org.

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 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!

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, Eileen Koefoot, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org



Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund: The Eglise Methodiste d'Haiti (EMH), led by Bishop Jean-Lesley Dorcelly, sent out a request to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to aid

the people impacted by the earthquake with food, water filters, humanitarian kits, and tarps. In response to this request, Bishop Lewis and our Virginia Conference are asking us to support UMCOR financially.

If you are interested in sending funding to Haiti, we encourage you to give through Push Pay, marking your donation as "Mission: Haiti". We will send the funds directly to UMCOR. You are also welcome to go to the UMCOR website and give from there. We do ask that you check the box that credits your local church. This allows UMCOR to track how our Vale Church Community is involved in mission. The advance number is: #982450

Regardless of how you give, all donations will go directly to Haiti.

Wednesday Morning Small Group - We'll start on September 1 at 10 am as we study the Psalms. Our book is *Entering the Psalms*. The cost of the book is \$9 and is available on Amazon, Upper Room books, or let us know and we'll order one for you.

We'll meet in-person in the resource room, but a Zoom link will be available.

Help Wanted! - We're looking for volunteers to help run the A/V equipment on Sunday mornings. Talk to Norm Dietz or Pastor Jeff if you are interested.

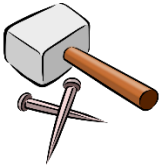
Sunday School Volunteers - Sunday School will resume in the fall for children and youth! We are looking for a few adults to assist with teaching this fall between services from 9:45-10:45. If you love spending quality time with children and/or youth and feel God leading you to assist them in learning more about faith please contact Joanna Dietz at icarryatune@gmail.com. We are looking for 6-8 adults to assist so that each class has ample assistance and substitutes. Curriculum and training will be provided.



Bike Collection Drive - Manav Gandhi, a scout from Troop 1983, is hosting a Bike Collection Drive for his Eagle Scout project on Sunday, August 29th at Vale from 12:15-4:15pm. His project involves collecting used bikes in any shape or condition and sending them to impoverished communities in Madagascar and Sierra Leone. If you, or anybody you know has a used bike you are looking to get rid of, please contact Manav at mnavgandhi@gmail.com, or 202-779-4889.

To learn more, you can visit <https://www.bikesfortheworld.org>. If you do not have a bike to donate, you can also help by spreading the word, as every bit of awareness can help change lives. Let's make a difference!

FestiVale Postponed - Due to the rise in Covid cases in the area, FestiVale has unfortunately been postponed. More details will follow as we work to reschedule.



Kitchen Renovation Survey - The Board of Trustees is considering making renovations to Vale's kitchen. To help them know what is most needed, please fill out their **anonymous** survey here:

<https://forms.gle/v8aA4Q9NqBbQE3go8>

Re-Opening - We are trying to balance the safety of everyone (especially our unvaccinated children) while providing an in-person experience. We are committed to maintaining our virtual worship opportunities.

Phase I (Summer) - We will maintain our 8:30 Virtual Worship service on Zoom and Facebook.

Beginning on June 20, we have added in-person worship at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall, while continuing the 8:30 virtual service. Please note that we may need to limit the number of people in the Fellowship Hall.

Phase II (September 12th) -

8:30 am Modified virtual service (pre-recorded, with less music)

8:30 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30 am Children's Music

10:00 am Sunday School for All

11:00 am Worship in the Fellowship Hall

Children's activities will be dependent on applicable guidelines. We will pay particular attention to the practices of Fairfax County Public Schools.

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