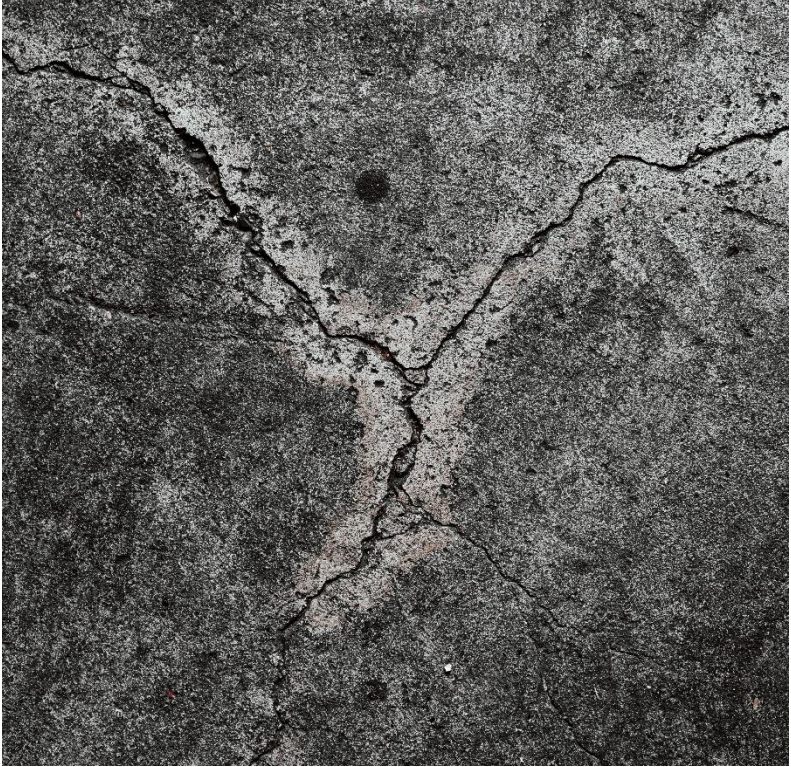

Vale United Methodist Church



“The Wise One”

October 17, 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

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

Lay Reader

One: Jesus asked questions to make us think.

Many: We seek the Kingdom of God.

One: Jesus asked questions to challenge our understanding

Many: We strive to open the door to discipleship.

One: Jesus asked questions to lead us to deeper discipleship.

Many: We are eager to respond to Christ who is our teacher.

***Hymn “How Firm a Foundation”**

UMH 529

*** Prayer of Confession**

Lay Reader

One: When the flood surges and the river rises, be thankful that your house is established on the rock of God's unfailing love. Trusting in the Lord, let us confess our sin.

Many: Loving God, we confess that we are quick to attempt to remove the speck from our neighbor's eye when there is a log blocking our own vision. We call you Lord, but we do not live according to your word. We are quick to point out others' faults, but oblivious to our own. We treasure what is evil and squander your good gifts. Forgive us, we pray. Redeem us, restore us, recreate us by your grace; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

One: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? The sting of death is sin- but God has swallowed up death forever, and sin has no more power over us. In 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

Luke 6:39-49

Children's Sermon (11:00)

Terri Lowry

Sermon "The Wise One"

Rev. Dietz

***Hymn (11:00)**

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

UMH 361

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

TFWS 2226

“Bind Us Together”

Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together in love.

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

*“In your great mercy,” 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.

**As we are using a modern version of the Lord's Prayer, we invite you to pray in a way that is comfortable to you - the traditional version, or perhaps in a different language.

Special Music (11:00)

“On Eagle’s Wings” Joncas

Chancel Choir

Blessing of the Offerings

***Hymn “My Hope is Built”**

UMH 368

SENDING FORTH

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

Announcements

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

**Please stand in spirit or in posture.*

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

Lay Readers:

8:30 Bette Rutherford

11:00 Tom Feeney

Virtual Tom Feeney

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

22nd Sunday of Pentecost, October 24, 2021

“The Unforgiving Servant”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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Sermon Notes and Illustrations

This is a page for you to take notes on the sermon or for our children and youth to illustrate what they've heard in the story today.

This Week at Vale: October 17, 2021 – October 24, 2021

Sun, October 17

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics
- 9:45 am Sunday Small Groups
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 12:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study

Tues, October 19

- 6:30 pm Youth Group*

Wed, October 20

- 10:00 am Bible Study
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Sat, October 23

- 9:00 am Women's Study (Virtual)

Sun, October 24

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics
- 9:45 am Sunday Small Groups
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
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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

October 17, 2021

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? – Services 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.

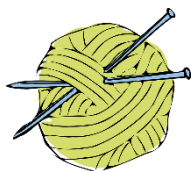
Do you want to support Vale's ministries? Did you know that you can give to Vale online? We use the respected vendor PushPay. You don't have to set up an account and you can designate your offering for a particular mission, program or for the general church funding. Go to <http://pushpay.com/g/valechurch>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

Vale Youth Group – Youth Group will now be meeting in person at the church from 6:30-7:30 every Tuesday evening. We will schedule our time to include Bible Study, games (bring your phone - we will still do online gaming!), and mission activities. For more information please contact youth@valechurch.org.

New Outdoor Gathering Space – We now have a shelter set up for our children, Sunday Small Groups, and the general Vale congregation to use as a place to gather outside without being exposed to the elements as we move into the colder months.

Prayer Shawl Ministry – Starting on November 6th, join us on the first Saturday of each month at 10:30 am in the Resource Room to knit and crochet for ministry! We will be making prayer shawls for those that are sick, hats and scarves for Operation Gratitude, and baptismal blankets for our newest Vale members. All experience levels are welcome, and lessons are available for those that need it. BYOY (bring your own yarn...and needles and hooks). Other yarn and pattern specifications can be found on the flyer linked on bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. For more information, contact Margie Koller at kollermargie@gmail.com or Nancy Taylor at Luvkats4@gmail.com.



Wayne's Corner – As the Lay Leader for Vale, Wayne Applewhite acts as the connection between the congregation and the clergy. He invites you to call him at (703)-815-6618 or email at applewhitew2003@yahoo.com with any matters you might want brought to Jeff and Joanna.



Afghanistan Relief Efforts: The [Afghanistan Youth Relief Foundation](#) invites you to A1 National Carpeting by the Dulles Expo Center to sort clothing for Afghan refugees. Hours of operation are evenings and on Saturdays. Donations continue to pour in and there is a great

need for organizing the donations and preparing them to go to Quantico and other sites to be distributed to evacuees waiting for a home. We invite you to go directly to their [Sign Up Genius](#) and assist as you can!

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!

Worship Schedule

- 8:30 am Virtual service (pre-recorded)
- 8:30 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 9:45 am Sunday Small Groups for All
- 11:00 am Worship in the Fellowship Hall

We are watching the Delta variant cases in our area closely. Please refer to our website for any schedule changes. 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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