# Vale United Methodist Church



# "The Talents"

November 14, 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



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.

# 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost November 14, 2021 "The Talents"

## GATHERING

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

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Prelude

# \* Call to Worship

# Lay Reader

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Many:	From everlasting to everlasting you are God.
One:	You were there before the world was made and will be forever.
Many:	you have been our home throughout all the ages.
One:	Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations;

# \*Hymn

# "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH 400

# \* Prayer of Confession

# Lay Reader

One: God's love has destined us not for wrath, but rather for salvation. Therefore, let us confess our sins to the One who is eager to save.

- Many: Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you by not honoring you or one another. When we place our iniquities before you, it is your love that sheds light on our wayward deeds. As we stand in awe of your constancy for us, we ask your forgiveness through the mercy of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.
- One: Friends, when we acknowledge our human limitations and turn to depend upon our everlasting God, we grow wise in heart to God's commands. You are freed to love another, for your sins are forgiven by the mercy of Christ. Amen.
- 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 25:14-30

# Children's Sermon (11:00)

**Rev. Dietz** 

## Sermon "The Talents"

Hymn "The Servant Song"

**TFWS 2222** 

**Rev. Haugh** 

# Baptisms

Adrianna Rhea Sawka James Robert Blanc

# **Call for Joys and Concerns**

# **Call to Prayer**

### TFWS 2150

"Lord, Be Glorified"

In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.

## **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 "God of grace," 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 (11:00) "Come, Thou Fount" arr. Bailey, Romer

Richard Brewer, violin; Jane Brewer, piano

# **Stewardship Moment**

**Blessing of the Offerings** 

# \*Hymn "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

**TFWS 2173** 

## **SENDING FORTH**

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

## Announcements

# \* Blessing and Charge

# \* Postlude

\*Please stand in spirit or in posture.

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

Lay Readers: 8:30 Wayne Applewhite 11:00 Tom Feeney Virtual Suzanne Michaelis

# **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

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost, November 21, 2021

"The Sower"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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#### Sun, November 14

- 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, November 16

- 6:30 pm Youth Group\*
- 7:30 pm Flutes Practice
- 7:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting

#### Wed, November 17

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

#### Thurs, November 18

1:00 pm	UMW Meeting
7:00 pm	Trustees Meeting

#### Sat, November 20

9:00 am	Women's Study (Virtual)
TBD	Christmas Tree Unloading*

#### Sun, November 21

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual) 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 6:50 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics
- 9:45 am Sunday Small Groups
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 12:00 pm Church Clean Up\*
- 12:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
  - 6:30 pm Advent Study: Nutcracker Screening\*
  - 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study

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

\* see announcement for details

# Vale Ministry Opportunities November 14, 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 Push Pay. 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 <u>http://pushpay.com/g/valechurch</u> and see how easy it is. The information is confidential and secure.

If you have any questions or run into any difficulty using Push Pay, please contact our Financial Secretary, Eileen Koefoot, at <u>FinSec@ValeChurch.org</u>

Advent Study: The Nutcracker – This Advent season, join us for our 5 week series on The Nutcracker. Starting on November 21<sup>st</sup>, we will meet both live and virtually Sundays at 6:30 pm, as well as discussing it in our Sunday Small groups at 9:45 am. The



first week will be dedicated to watching a movie production, and the following four will be discussion of the themes. For more information on the study and schedule, please visit <u>bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo</u>

Vale Church Annual Fall Cleanup – On Sunday, November 21 from 12pm to 2pm we are doing the much needed fall landscape cleanup at Vale Church! Please help us keep our church beautiful! This will be a 100% safe, socially distanced cleanup event, with family units working together but distanced from others at all times. Please bring rakes, wheelbarrows, and gloves if you have them. We will be trimming bushes, cleaning out beds, and generally making the property ready for winter.



**Christmas Tree Sales** – Help kick off the tree sale season with the first big event – the arrival of the trees! We'll need at least 30 volunteers for approximately two hours to help unload the first big truck estimated to arrive November 20<sup>th</sup> and no less than 20 volunteers for the second truck estimated for November 26<sup>th</sup>.

In addition, we will need at least 9 volunteers on the  $21^{st}$  and  $27^{th}$  to prepare the trees for sale. This includes:

- Drilling
- Measuring/pricing
- Mounting trees on stands
- Tarping

Register to help on the <u>SignUp Genius</u> accessible on Vale's website. As always, we won't know the exact time until it gets closer to delivery time, so please be sure to include your email and phone number when you sign up to receive broadcast messages as we get information. More details at <u>bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo</u> 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.

White Doves – Due to the supply chain issues caused by Covid, our Christmas White Dove Drive will work a little differently this year. Instead of fulfilling individual wish lists, Vale UMC Santas will be choosing gifts to donate from a general list of items needed by Second Story participants. To help make someone's Christmas more merry,

choose one – or two, or several – gifts from the <u>SignUp Genius</u>, accessible through Vale's website.

Contact Jan Feeney with any questions at 703-383-1353 or jrmfeeney@aol.com



**Vale Youth Group** – Youth Group is now meeting in person at the church from 6:30-7:30 every Tuesday evening. We will schedule our time to include Bible Study, games, and mission activities. For more information please contact <u>youth@valechurch.org</u>.

## Vale Music –

#### Special Music Request -

We are in need of special music each Sunday for the online worship



service. Please contact Jan Smith at <u>music@valechurch.org</u> 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 Covid 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.

We ask you to register for services so that we can contact attendees if we become aware of Covid cases in our community

# VALE CHURCH STAFF

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