
Vale United Methodist Church



“Our Baptism”

January 9, 2022

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.

GATHERING

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

Welcome

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

Lay Reader

One: The voice of God resounds upon the water.

Many: The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.

One: The Son of God is named, “Beloved.”

Many: And all who worship shout out, “Glory!”

One: Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.

Many: Let us worship God in holy splendor.

***Hymn “Be Thou My Vision”**

UMH 451

*** Prayer of Confession**

Lay Reader

One: God loves us and calls us each by name. Knowing we are eternally forgiven and infinitely loved, let us boldly confess our sins before God.

Many: We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant. We follow selfish goals and deny that our way of life harms others and hurts your world. We are sorry and we want to change. Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us one to another, and bless us with your peace. Amen.

One: Beloved, God forgives your sins; know that you are pardoned and be at peace to love the Lord and serve the world. 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 3:15-17, 21-22
Children's Sermon (11:00)	Rev. Dietz
Sermon "Our Baptism"	Rev. Haugh
Hymn "Wonderful Words of Life"	UMH 600
Reaffirmation of Baptism	UMH 50
Call for Joys and Concerns	
Call to Prayer	UMH 454
"Open My Eyes, That I May See"	

Silently now I wait for thee,
Ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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

*“Creating Spirit,” Please respond with
“stir us with your power.”*

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)

“Christmas Lullaby” Brown
Katie Pierce, soloist

Blessing of the Offerings

***Hymn “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” UMH 251**

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 Bette Rutherford

11:00 Terri Lowry

Virtual Shira Goodfellow

Masks are **mandatory** on Sunday mornings and whenever children and youth are present.

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.

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

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany, January 16, 2022

“The Kingdom of God Is a Party”

Rev. Joanna Dietz

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This Week at Vale: January 9, 2022 – January 16, 2022

Sun, January 9

- 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 Small Group (virtual only)

Mon, January 10

- 7:00 pm Missions Committee Meeting

Tues, January 11

- 10:30 am Vale Book Club
- 6:30 pm Youth Group*

Wed, January 12

- 10:00 am Bible Study*

Sat, January 15

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

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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

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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? – 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 <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 Push Pay, please contact our Financial Secretary, Eileen Koefoot, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org

Wednesday Morning Bible Study – Starting January 12, we will read *Beyond the Broken Heart: A Journey Through Grief* by Julie Yarbrough. The first lesson will be very general; you will not need to have read anything beforehand. We meet at 10 am each Wednesday in the Resource Room or you can join us via the [Vale Worship Zoom link](#). The book is available on [Amazon](#) (\$13.99 paper, \$9.99 kindle). You might be able to find a used copy as well.

The Women's Small Group will return on Saturday, January 15 at 9:00 AM. We will be studying the book "A Year of Biblical Womanhood" by Rachel Held Evans. The book can be found on [Amazon](#). Come learn how to deepen your discipleship with other women and this light-hearted read. Join us on [Zoom](#), link available on bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. For more information please contact Joanna Dietz

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 youth@valechurch.org.

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.

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!



A Thank You from the Staff - We, the staff of Vale Church, would like to thank you all for your thoughtfulness and generosity this holiday season. We appreciate the effort you put into making us feel cherished and at home here. We hope you had the merriest Christmas, and a happy New Year!

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

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