
Vale United Methodist Church



“Sermon on the Plain”

February 13, 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](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.

6th Sunday after the Epiphany February 13, 2022
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GATHERING

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

Welcome

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

Lay Reader

One: Blessed are those who trust in the Lord.

Many: They shall be like a tree planted by water,

One: sending out its roots by the stream.

Many: Baptized and freed, grounded in love,

One: let us worship God.

***Hymn “Rejoice, the Lord is King”**

UMH 715

*** Prayer of Confession**

Lay Reader

One: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. So let us be honest and confess what separates us from God and our neighbors, trusting in God's constant desire to forgive and renew.

Many: Merciful God, your call to discipleship is demanding. You call us to reorder our lives by the kingdom you are bringing in Jesus Christ. Yet we still pass by the ones you especially notice: people who are poor and hungry; people who weep. We have not stood with those who are hated, bullied, and excluded. Comfortable with the way things are, we are too complacent, even complicit with injustice and prejudice. Forgive us, O God, and turn us back to your gospel. We pray this now, for our sake, and for the sake of your world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

One: Because Christ has been raised from the dead, sin and death do not have the last word! Our faith is not in vain! Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, we are forgiven and set free to live for God and neighbor. Thanks be to God, for 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 6:17-26

Children's Sermon (11:00)

Rev. Dietz

Sermon "Sermon on the Plain"

Rev. Haugh

Hymn

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

UMH 402

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

UMH 488

“Jesus, Remember Me”

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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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 “Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,” Please respond with “for the Lord is worthy of our trust.”

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)

“The Gift of Love” arr. Hopson

Vale Chancel Choir

Blessing of the Offerings

***Hymn “Give to the Winds Thy Fears” UMH 129**

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 Tom Feeney

Virtual Tom Feeney

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

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

7th Sunday after the Epiphany, February 20, 2022

“The Golden Rule”

Rev. Joanna Dietz

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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: February 13, 2022 – February 20, 2022

Sun, February 13

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:45 am Sunday Small Groups
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 12:00 pm **Town Hall Meeting***

Tues, February 15

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

Wed, February 16

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

Thurs, February 17

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

Sat, February 19

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

Sun, February 20

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:45 am Sunday Small Groups
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 12:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

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

February 13, 2022

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, Lisa Martin, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org

Vale Shout - We are finding that some of you are not receiving the Shout in your main inboxes. If this applies to you, please check your spam folder or let the office know.



SPECIAL Feb. 13 Financial Town Hall - Please join together TODAY at 12:00 pm in the fellowship hall for a **special presentation on the financials** of Vale Church. After nearly two years living with the COVID pandemic, our church is being challenged financially.

We all have a role in keeping Vale strong and vibrant. One role is being knowledgeable about our church finances.

Please gather with others to receive current information about the budget, to learn what options are being considered to bridge the gap, and to offer your input. Thank you for setting time aside for this important session. If you cannot join in person, please join us virtually at the [Vale Worship zoom link](#), available on Vale's website.

Charge Conference - There will be a special Charge Conference on Thursday, February 24 at 7:00 pm to discuss the salaries of our clergy members. This meeting will also function as the Church Council meeting for March. Join us on Zoom, link available at bit.ly/valechurchinfo



Lenten Worship Series - Do you feel the pressures of the world weighing you down? God's grace tells us we are *good enough* and helps us to grow. Join us for our worship series during Lent, "Good Enough," beginning March 6.

Hot Meals - Looking for cooks for our Hot Meals program! We will be delivering meals on Monday, February 28. If you are interested, email Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com



Marshmallow Roast! - You are invited to a Marshmallow Roast on Sunday, March 6 from 4:00-5:30. We will have marshmallows, graham crackers, chocolate, and sticks for roasting! We invite you to bring an item for Neighbors Feeding Neighbors as a suggested donation. Items needed include individually wrapped granola bars, individual servings of mac & cheese, individual servings of fruit cups and instant oatmeal packets. (Are you seeing a theme? We pack these in bags for each child, so they need to be individual servings!) We hope you will bring a friend to roast marshmallows and enjoy time together! *This event will take place in the outdoor sanctuary, located in the back corner of the parking lot near the shed.*

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!



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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