
Vale United Methodist Church



“Do No Harm”

April 24, 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.

GATHERING

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

Welcome

Prelude

Threshold & Response

Lay Reader

One: Hints and whispers abound. God seeks us where we are.

Many: **A voice calls our name in the twilight of sleep.**

One: A call seen in the outstretched hands of the poor.

Many: **A new dawning of insight while at prayer.**

One: An internal shift of perception that is felt in the heart.

Many: **A joyous peace in the midst of play.**

One: A lifting of a burden, a flood of tears, a bushel of laughter.

Many: **God is so near: guardian and friend who speaks to us.**

***Hymn “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

UMH 57 v. 1, 4-6

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

One: Through this Methodist Movement we have been called to do no harm. But doing no harm is harder than it seems. We are more inclined to be focused on our own concerns than to think about how our actions can impact others. Let us confess our sins - intentional and unintentional - before God.

Many: Merciful God, we confess that our busy-ness has a way of blocking the needs of the world around us from our sight. We purchase cheaper goods made from child and slave labor. We waste the resources that are readily available to us without the thought of the lack of clean water in other parts of the world. We wound our neighbors near and far without a second thought because they are invisible to us. Lord, you made humans to be resilient and diverse. Open our eyes to the harm we have caused. Cure us of our apathy. Lead us to be the justice-seeking people you need in this world to lift up the oppressed, the weak, the wounded.

One: Hear the good news! God calls us out of the darkness of apathy and into the light of a new day. As the resurrected Easter people claimed through the love of God and the salvation of the Christ, and through the movement of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven!

Many: We are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen and amen.

The Peace

*From your seat, please offer your neighbors the peace of Jesus Christ.
The liturgist will call out “**May the peace of Christ be with you!**”
Please respond with, “**And also with you!**”*

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

We hear God’s word proclaimed. We act in response.

Scripture

Proverbs 3:21-30

*The reading will end with “**A word of God that is still speaking.**”
Please respond with “**Thanks be to God.**”*

Children’s Sermon (11:00)

Rev. Dietz

Sermon “Do No Harm”

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Hymn

“What Does the Lord Require of You” TFWS 2174

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

TFWS 2179

“Live in Charity”

*Live in charity and steadfast love,
Live in charity; God dwell with you.*

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 “As you sent Christ,” Please respond with, “now send us.”

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)

“Heaven’s Bright Shore” Kennedy
Jan Smith, Clint O’Brien, Michael Mintz

Blessing of the Offerings

Hymn “Forth in Thy Name, O Lord”

UMH 438

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 Shira Goodfellow

Thank you to the Hohmann family for providing our coffee hour treats!

Masks are no longer required, however, a portion of the Fellowship Hall, near the Children's Corner will be a "mask and distancing required zone" during worship services. Please wear a mask and maintain distancing if you are not up to date on vaccinations or boosters, if you are engaging with children, or based on personal preference, informed by personal level of risk.

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 Easter, May 1, 2022

“Do Good”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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This Week at Vale: April 24, 2022 – May 1, 2022

Sun, April 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)
- 12:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- 4:00 pm Youth Bible Study
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study***

Tues, April 26

- 6:30 pm Youth Group
- 7:30 pm Flutes Practice

Wed, April 27

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

Thurs April 28

- 7:00 pm Wire Choir

Sat, April 30

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

Sun, May 1

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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, Lisa Martin, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org

Guatemala Mission Trip 2022 – We are venturing back to Guatemala to continue building relationships, improving lives and empowering communities! After a two year absence, it is critical to show the communities we work with that they are not forgotten.

Date: Sunday July 17 - Saturday July 23, 2022

Cost: \$2000 or so – depending on the size of our group and airfare prices when we book; the price includes flights and in-country transportation, meals, and lodging.

Deadline: May 15 - we will need full payment and paperwork completed

Questions? Contact Deb Cohen at drqt@aol.com or 703-304-9709

Neighbors Feeding Neighbors – Want to assist our local children living with food insecurity? Neighbors Feeding Neighbors program is in need of **just 31 Chef Boyardee pasta cups** – image and description on bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. You may drop off your donations in the church office, or in the drop box after hours. Please email [Stan Ellis at vfddeuph@gmail.com](mailto:Stan.Ellis@vfddeuph.com) for more information.



Stan Ellis at

Second Story Meals – Vale provides dinner once a month for teens in crisis staying in the Emergency Shelter at 2100 Gallows Road in Vienna. Volunteers are needed to cook and deliver (or order takeout and have it delivered) for 4-12 people on the dates listed in the sign up found [here](#). The meal should include the main course and sides (beverage is provided by Second Story). Dessert is optional but much appreciated! Jan Feeney will be in touch the week before with details. You can reach her at jrmfeeney@aol.com or 571-217-6172 with questions.

New Sunday Evening Bible Study – Beginning on Sunday, April 24 at 7 pm, we will launch our study of *The Call*, by Adam Hamilton. The book can be found on Amazon. We will meet in the resource room but you can join us on Zoom. Contact Vic Larson at larson.vic@gmail.com for more information.



New Wednesday Morning Bible Study – Have you ever wondered about other religions? What do they believe? How are they different? What does it mean to me? Then join our Wednesday morning study group on April 27 to study *Christianity and World Religions*. We meet at 10 am each Wednesday on the resource Room or via Zoom. Contact Pastor Jeff for more information.

Closet News – There's a new manager at The Closet, Tempestt Harmon. She has been on board for less than a month, is full of enthusiasm and has already made some good changes. Let's give her a good Vale welcome, and plenty of help! To volunteer, just show up, meet her, ask what you can do, and be sure to sign in. Masks, while no longer required, are still worn by most of the staff, customers & volunteers. The store has high quality filters put in at the beginning of the pandemic, thanks to our own Bill DuBois, who helped oversee this. As Vale members, hopefully you will consider returning to help with this mission we've supported for many years. For more information, contact Chris Olson, golsonc@gmail.com or 703-476-4561

The Closet's quarterly grants are being given to the following local organizations: Dulles South Soup Kitchen, Family PASS, Fellowship Square, and Rotary Club of Herndon (toward Dolly Parton's Imagination Library for books given to local children), for a total of \$10,000. Also, 6 area high schools will be given \$7,000 each toward scholarships for higher education.

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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