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# Vale United Methodist Church

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## “A Wonder-Full Life: Looking In”

Sept 11, 2022

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124

[www.ValeChurch.org](http://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: COMPASSION**

*As we open our eyes and come out of any avoidance we have regarding our feelings about money, we light a candle and ask God to be with us on this journey, giving us fresh perspectives that can shift any “dis-ease” that holds us back from a courageous vision about our money paths. We have compassion for ourselves and each other because the systems of money we live in are not easy to navigate.*

**Prelude****Welcome****\*Illuminating the Shadows****Lay Reader**

*Music: Be Thou My Vision UMH 451 verse 1*

One: We light this flame to affirm that where there is light,

Many: **there is understanding;**

One: where there is understanding,

Many: **there is compassion;**

One: where there is compassion,

Many: **there is possibility;**

One: where there is possibility;

Many: **there is transformation.**

One: Holy and Living God, transform our fears into awe-inspired wonder.

Many: Open us to this light, and to the rich possibilities that it brings us for a “wonder-full” life.

## **\*Hymn**

**“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”      UMH 400**

## **The Peace**

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

### **PROCLAIMING: CURIOSITY**

*We become curious—full of wondering—further transforming our tendencies  
of avoiding money issues into a desire to learn more, know more, about the  
systems of money and our own relationship to it. We explore what our faith  
story invites us to do about the systems of money in which we find ourselves.*

*Music: Be Thou My Vision UMH 451 verse 2*

## **Scripture**

**Matthew 6:19-24**

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

## **Sermon “Looking In”**

**Rev. Haugh**

## **Hymn “For the Beauty of the Earth”**

**UMH 92**

### **RESPONDING: CREATIVITY**

*This part of the service helps us to wonder in a different way. We invite a  
state of awe at the abundance of our lives by noticing the rich beauty around  
us, the presence of treasured people, and new and unexpected gems that cross  
our paths. We commit to engage our creativity to multiply good in the world.*

## **The Wonder of It All: Prayers**

**“Thank You Lord”**

*Thank you, Lord,  
Thank you, Lord,  
Thank you, Lord,  
I just want to thank you, Lord.*

**Prayers of the People**

*You may ask for prayer requests via chat. You may also  
send prayer requests to [PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org](mailto:PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org).*

**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.

**Offering Witness**

**Special Music (11:00)**

**“Amazing Grace” arr. Coates Jr.**

Vale Chancel Choir

**\*Doxology (8:30)**

**UMH 451 v. 3**

**Offering Prayer**

## SENDING FORTH: COMMITMENT

*Having walked with God in looking into our heart's relationship to money, we commit to take the practices out into the world and our daily lives with renewed compassion, curiosity and creativity.*

**Hymn “What Gift Can We Bring”**

**UMH 87**

### **Announcements**

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

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*\*Please stand in spirit or in posture.*

UMH – *United Methodist Hymnal*

TFWS – *The Faith We Sing Hymnal*

Thank you to Judy Jobbitt and Tom Marshall for  
providing our 8:30 coffee hour treats

Lay Readers:

8:30            Judy Jobbitt

11:00          Dorothy Arbiter

Virtual        The Deppe Family

Masks are no longer required at Vale. 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 Corner

The Children's Corner is set up for 11:00 worship. Children are welcome to come to the cabinet at the front right of the worship space and find activities to do during the service, either in the Children's Corner or back in their seats. They are welcome to take coloring pages home. Please leave the cabinet the way you found it!

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### **NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP**

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Sep 18, 2022

“A Wonder-Full Life: Looking Out”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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**This Week at Vale: Sept 11, 2022 – Sept 18, 2022**

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**Sun, Sept 11**

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics\***
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study\***

**Tues, Sept 13**

- 7:30 pm Flute Choir

**Wed, Sept 14**

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

**Thurs, Sept 15**

- 7:30 pm Trustees Meeting

**Sun, Sept 18**

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 9:30 am Contemporary Christian Topics\***
- 11:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study\***

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](mailto:Office@ValeChurch.org).

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## Vale Ministry Opportunities

### Sept 11, 2022

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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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**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, Bill Barnhart, at [FinSec@ValeChurch.org](mailto:FinSec@ValeChurch.org)



**Single Service Survey** – We are looking at the possibility of moving to one in person worship service, and we value your opinion on this change. There is a survey posted on the Vale website and will be sent in the Shout, please fill it out so we can know how to best serve our congregation's needs.

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**Wonder-Full Pictures** – As part of our new sermon series, we will be asking the congregation to take pictures of what you wonder at in the world. We invite you to share these pictures on Vale's Facebook page, or email them to [office@valechurch.org](mailto:office@valechurch.org). These pictures will be shared in our services.

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**Wednesday Morning Bible Study** – The Wednesday morning group has resumed! Join us in person or on Zoom as we study the Apostle's Creed. Contact Jeff Haugh at [pastor@valechurch.org](mailto:pastor@valechurch.org) for more information.

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**Adult Sunday School** – The Contemporary Christian Topics Adult Sunday School class is back starting today, September 11! Join them in the Resource Room at 9:30 for discussion. Contact Stan Ellis at [vwfdeuph@gmail.com](mailto:vwfdeuph@gmail.com), or Lee Eisman at [leeandlinda@verizon.net](mailto:leeandlinda@verizon.net) for more information.

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**Sunday Evening Bible Study** – Starting today, September 11, the Sunday Evening Bible Study group will be meeting on Zoom at 7:00 pm. Contact Vic Larson at [larson.vic@gmail.com](mailto:larson.vic@gmail.com) for more info.

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**Children's Events** – Be on the lookout for new weekly children and youth activities coming this fall! We will not be having children's Sunday School this fall, but we look forward to bringing families into fellowship in new, fun ways this year!

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**Membership Email** - Last week, you received an email from Pastor Jeff (via BreezeCHMS) asking you to confirm your contact and membership information. It is not spam - the subject is "[Vale UMC] Information Review". Please verify your information so we can communicate better with you.

**Bloomin' 4 Good** - For the entire month of September, Vale's Neighbors Feeding Neighbors program will receive \$1 from every specially marked Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet sold at the Giant at 13043 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy, Fairfax.

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**The Closet Needs You!** - Vale is in need of a second Board representative for The Closet. Each member church of The Closet has two Board representatives, but since the passing of Bill DuBois, Vale has had only one, Chris Olson. Bill was passionate about improving the store for the shoppers, staff, and volunteers, making it a better place for all. Board members meet quarterly, currently on Zoom. If you are interested in filling this position, and helping Vale keep its commitment to this very worthy mission, please contact Chris at [golsonc@gmail.com](mailto:golsonc@gmail.com) or call 703-476-4561



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**Playground Clean Up** - We need your help! The Vale Preschool playground needs to be mulched for the fall semester, and many hands make light work. Please come by at 11AM on Saturday, September 24 to help us move the playground chips the short distance from the delivery pile into the playground. With enough hands, we can do this in under 2 hours. Please bring a wheelbarrow and shovel if you have them!

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**Coffee Hour Volunteers** - Interested in feeding fellowship by feeding your fellows? Please sign up on the SignUp Genius, found on Vale's website, to help provide coffee and snacks for our 8:30 service coffee hour. If you are interested in coordinating refreshments for the 11 o'clock service, please contact Diane Dubois at (703) 620-2448 or [Diane.dubois1107@gmail.com](mailto:Diane.dubois1107@gmail.com) or Pastor Jeff.

**Help Wanted** - Vale is seeking a part-time (10-15 hours/ week) youth director who possesses a calling to work with youth combined with a love for God to direct our growing youth ministry. Duties would include planning and leading weekly youth group activities that guide youth in their faith, and summer mission trips. Candidates should be able to demonstrate knowledge and experience in working with youth. Vale UMC is committed to ministry with the diversity of God's people and will consider all candidates based solely on their qualifications for this ministry. Interested persons should send a cover letter and resume to: [jobs@valechurch.org](mailto:jobs@valechurch.org)



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**Chancel Choir** - WE WANT YOU - to join the Choir at Vale!! Everyone is welcome, and anyone can learn to sing.

If you've ever had any interest in singing with a very friendly and loving group of people, now's your chance! Chancel Choir (ages 14-100) rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come and sing with us! Questions? Contact Jan Smith at [music@valechurch.org](mailto:music@valechurch.org).

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**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](mailto:applewhitew2003@yahoo.com) with any matters you might want brought to Jeff

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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.

## VALE CHURCH STAFF

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## 2022 VALE CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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