Vale United Methodist Church



"Blessed Are Those Who Suffer"

March 12, 2023

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124 www.ValeChurch.org In Person Worship at 10:00 a.m. Virtual Worship at 8:30 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.

3rd Sunday of Lent March 12, 2023 "Blessed Are Those Who Suffer"

GATHERING

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

Welcome

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!"

Prelude

*Call to Worship

One: O come, let us worship and bow down;

Many: Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

One: The hour is coming and is now here.

Many: In spirit and truth, let us worship God.

*Hymn "Create In Me a Clean Heart"

Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me. Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me. me not away from Thy presence, O Lore

Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord, And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me, Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation And renew a right spirit within me.

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

One: G

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Trusting in God's overflowing grace, let us confess our sin.

Many:

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. Amen.

One:

This is the good news of God's grace: Though we were sinners, Christ died for us. Though we were enemies of God, God loved us. Once we were lost and dead, now Christ has become our life and salvation. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are

forgiven.

Many:

In the name of 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

Romans 5:1-11

The reading will end with "A word of God that is still speaking."

Please respond with "Thanks be to God."

Children's Moment

After the Children's Moment, children will be dismissed to their Sunday School class for the remainder of the service.

Sermon "Blessed Are Those Who Suffer"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

Hymn "O How He Loves You and Me TFWS 2108

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

TFWS 2157

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace,
Alleluia!

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 "Wellspring of mercy," 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

"The Garden of Prayer" arr. Martin

Jeff Haugh, soloist Kristin Romney, flute

*Doxology

UMH 95

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessing of the Offerings

Hymn "We Walk By Faith"

TFWS 2196

SENDING FORTH

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

Mission and Ministry Opportunities

* Blessing and Charge

* Postlude

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

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Thank you to Judy Jobbitt for providing our coffee hour treats!

Lay Readers:

10:00 Wayne Applewhite Virtual The Deppe Family

^{*}Please stand in spirit or in posture.

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

4th Sunday of Lent, March 19, 2023

"Blessed Are Those Who Feel Alone"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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.

This Week at Vale: Mar 12 -19, 20

Sun, Mar 12

8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)

8:45 am Contemporary Christian Topics

10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)

10:15 am Sunday School

11:15 am Handbells Rehearsal

3:00 pm Troop 56061 Meeting

3:00 pm Troop 40 Meeting

6:00 pm Youth Group

7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study*

Mon, Mar 13

7:00 pm Troop 1983 Meeting

Tues, Mar 14

10:30 am Vale Book Club

7:30 pm Flute Choir

Wed, Mar 15

10:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thurs, Mar 16

1:00 pm UMW Meeting

7:00 pm Trustees Meeting

Fri, Mar 17

9:00 am Women's Bible Study

Sat, Mar 18

2:00 pm Pack 1983 Trailer Day

Sun, Mar 19

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8:45 am Contemporary Christian Topics

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10:15 am Sunday School

11:15 am Handbells Rehearsal

6:00 pm Youth Group

7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study*

^{*} see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport" March 12, 2023

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, Bill Barnhart, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org

Lenten Worship - You're invited to our virtual Lenten worship service, on our Facebook and YouTube channels. This service will be available to watch for the whole of Lent.



Easter Egg Hunt - Vale's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Easter day, April 9 at 11:15 after our service. If you would like to help make it a hopping good time, consider donating some candy to fill our eggs! You may leave your donations in

the kitchen labeled for the egg hunt by April 2, and please no candy containing nuts. Contact Miranda at ChristianEd@valechurch.org for more information.

Embry Rucker - On Sunday, March 19, Vale will be making sandwiches and packing meals for the Embry Rucker Shelter. If you would like to help pack or donate food, please sign up using the link on the Vale homepage. Food donations should be dropped at the church by March 12 and labeled for the Embry Rucker Shelter. Please contact Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com with any questions.

The Closet - Vale is once more sending volunteers to help at The Closet! Our upcoming dates are April 4, 27, and May 20. Please see the SignUp Genius on Vale's website to help out, or the page posted on the Missions bulletin board in the hall. Contact Chris Olson at (703) 476-4561 or Nancy Abramson at (703) 307-9737 with questions.

Preschool Registration – Vale UMC Preschool registration for Fall 2023 is now open. Tell your friends, family and neighbors to come register! Please see the preschool bulletin board across from the preschool classrooms for registration forms, or email Susan Ricci at preschool@valechurch.org for information.

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 after our 10:00 service.



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 Sanctuary. Come and sing with us! Questions? Contact Jan Smith at music@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 email him at applewhitew2003@yahoo.com, or call at (703) 815-6618 with any matters you might want brought to Jeff

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