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# Vale United Methodist Church

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## “So Now What Do We Do?”

April 23, 2023

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124

[www.ValeChurch.org](http://www.ValeChurch.org)

In Person Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Virtual Worship at 8:30 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**

**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: Followers of Jesus, by his cross we are redeemed  
from the futility of sin.

Many: Alleluia!

One: By his rising we are free from the fear of death.

Many: Alleluia!

One: By his love we are made new in the living and  
enduring Word of God.

Many: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

**\*Hymn “Christ Is Alive”**

**UMH 318**

**Confession and Pardon**

**Lay Reader**

One: God judges all people impartially according to their  
deeds. Trusting in God’s love in Jesus Christ, let us  
confess our sins before God and one another.

**Many:** Almighty God, our world is filled with corruption: power disguises itself as truth; convenience masquerades as goodness; selfish pleasure imitates love. We confess to you, O God, that we have been caught in the web of the world's sin. By the power of the Holy Spirit, save us from these deceptions and free us for glad obedience, that we may see the joy of Jesus' resurrection and receive the promise of everlasting life. Amen

**One:** Followers of Jesus: God has promised salvation to us, to our children, and to all who are near and far. 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**

**Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

*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 "So Now What Do We Do?" Rev. Jeff Haugh**

**Hymn "Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine"**

**UMH 606**

## Call for Joys and Concerns

### Call to Prayer

UMH 162

“Alleluia, Alleluia”

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Give thanks to the risen Lord.*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Give praise to his name.*

### Prayers of the People

You may send prayer requests to [PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org](mailto:PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org).

After each petition, there will be a moment of silence closed by

“*God of resurrection*” 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**

### **“Fill-a-Me-Up” Choplin**

Vale Chancel Choir

## **\*Doxology**

**UMH 95**

### **“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

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

## **Blessing of the Offerings**

## **Hymn “Blessed Assurance”**

**UMH 369**

### **SENDING FORTH**

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

## **Mission and Ministry Opportunities**

## **\* Blessing and Charge**

## **\* Postlude**

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

UMH - *United Methodist Hymnal* (Blue)  
TFWS - *The Faith We Sing* (Black)  
W&S - *Worship and Song* (Green)

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

Lay Readers:

10:00 Tom Feeney  
Virtual The Deppe Family

## **NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, April 30, 2023

“The First Potluck”

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.

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**This Week at Vale: Apr 23 – 30, 2023**

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**Sun, Apr 23**

- 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
- 11:30 am Town Hall Meeting\***
- 3:00 pm Troop 56061 Meeting
- 3:00 pm Troop 56059 Meeting
- 6:00 pm Youth Game Night

**Mon, Apr 24**

- 7:00 pm Troop 1983 Meeting

**Tues, Apr 25**

- 7:30 pm Flute Choir

**Wed, Apr 26**

- 10:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 pm Troop 56034 Meeting
- 7:00 pm Vale Club Speaker
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thurs, Apr 27**

- 7:00 pm Wire Choir

**Fri, Apr 28**

- 9:00 am Women's Bible Study

**Sun, Apr 30**

- 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
- 4:30 pm Potluck Dinner\***
- 7:00 pm Sunday Evening Bible Study

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\* see announcement for details



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## Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

*"Not a Spectator Sport"*

April 23, 2023

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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)



**Town Hall Meeting** – Join us TODAY at 11:30 am both in person and on Zoom for a Town Hall meeting, where we will discuss Vale’s recent activities and plans for the future.

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**Let’s eat!** – Join us on April 30 for an old-fashioned Pot Luck dinner! Event starts at 4:30 pm, and we will eat at 5:00. We’ll bring dishes to share, have some entertainment, and enjoy each other’s food and company. Please let us know what you’re bringing by visiting the SignUp Genius found on Vale’s website.



**Scouting For Food** – Cub Scout Pack 1530 will be conducting a food drive between April 22 and April 30 on behalf of the food pantry at Community of Faith UMC. Recently the demand for food has risen to the point that the pantry’s food supply is dwindling. The CoF food pantry has been serving over 200 families/week, and is likely to see an increase with the discontinuance of pandemic/SNAP benefits. Any help we can provide will be greatly appreciated.

The pantry is asking for non-perishable food items (no glass containers) to be left outside your door for Scout pickup by 1 pm on Sunday April 30. You can also drop food items at the church labeled for the food drive until the morning of April 30. Items sought include pasta, tuna, soup, noodles, cereal, mac & cheese, beans, etc.

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**The Closet News** – At the quarterly meeting this month, grants totaling \$25,000 were made to Adaptive Fitness Legion, Cindy’s Legacy, Cornerstones Laurel Learning, First Baptist Church ESL, Food Justice DMV, Kidpower, Herndon-Reston Fish, and Mobile Hope. In addition, 6 area high schools will receive \$8,000 each to be given for scholarships, a total of \$48,000. This is some of the many missions The Closet provides throughout the year. It’s not just a thrift store! Consider volunteering at any time to be a part of their important work in the community



**Help Wanted: Preschool Director** - The Vale UMC Preschool regrets to announce that Susan Ricci is stepping down as Lead Teacher/Director. We are now hiring a new Lead Teacher/Director and ask you to send us any recommendations you may have for this post. For full job listing, please visit [bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo](http://bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo). To give a recommendation, please contact us at [preschooljobs@valechurch.org](mailto:preschooljobs@valechurch.org) or Judy Jobbitt, Preschool Chair, at [jjobbitt@msn.com](mailto:jjobbitt@msn.com).

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**Yard Sale Prep** - Please save all kinds of bags - paper, plastic and shopping bags - for the church yard sale. Also needed are tissue paper (used & smoothed is OK), bubble wrap, packing paper and color comics pages (the colored ink doesn't transfer to hands like black ink does). There will be collection boxes for them in the Fellowship Hall.

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**Save the Date: VBS** - Mark your calendars! Vale will be having our Vacation Bible School program July 19-22. Registration for participants and volunteers will start on May 1.

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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 Sanctuary. 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 email him at [applewhitew2003@yahoo.com](mailto:applewhitew2003@yahoo.com), or call at (703) 815-6618 with any matters you might want brought to Jeff

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