# Vale United Methodist Church



# "Welcome God"

June 18, 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.

# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost June 18, 2023 "Welcome God"

### 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:	Jesus Christ summons us to answer God's call of mercy.
Many:	Christ gathers us and gives us power to be healed and to heal,
One:	To be forgiven and to forgive, to be freed from sin and to set others free,
Many:	To tell one another and the world:
One:	God's presence is at hand.
Many:	Let us worship God.

# \*Hymn "Faith of Our Fathers" UMH 710

# **Confession and Pardon**

# Lay Reader

- One: The mystery of God brings the promise of life, but we doubt the Spirit's power to overcome death. The resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Son, reveals that nothing is impossible with God. Let us confess our sin and receive new life.
- Many: Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One, we confess that we do not know how to look for you. We do not sense your nearness, and if there are angels among us, we are unaware. We do not show the hospitality to strangers that Abraham showed to you. We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed by your Spirit. O Covenant-keeper, forgive us. Let us laugh with joy because your grace has made peace among us. Send us out with this good news so that others will also receive your blessing; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- One: Christ gave his life to save us from the wrath of God. Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Trust the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ our sins 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

Genesis 18:1-15

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 return to their families.

# Sermon "Welcome God"

# Hymn "Children of the Heavenly Father" UMH 141

## Call for Joys and Concerns

# **Call to Prayer**

### "On Eagle's Wings"

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun. And hold you in the palm of God's hand.

# **Prayers of the People**

You may send prayer requests to *PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org*. After each petition, there will be a moment of silence closed by "Lord, in your mercy," Please respond with, "hear our praver."

# **Rev. Jeff Haugh**

## **UMH 143**

### 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.

### \*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 "This Is My Father's World" UMH 144

## SENDING FORTH

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

# **Mission and Ministry Opportunities**

# \* Blessing and Charge

# \* Postlude

\*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 Bette Rutherford and Diane DuBois for providing our coffee hour treats!

Lay Readers: 10:00 Kim Haugh Virtual Shira Goodfellow

### **NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP**

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost, June 25, 2023

"Alive for God"

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.

### Sun, Jun 18

8:30 am	Worship Service (Virtual)
8:45 am	Contemporary Christian Topics
10:00 am	Worship Service (In-Person)
3:00 pm	GS Troop 56061 Meeting

### Thurs, Jun 22

1:00 pm	UMW Meeting
7:00 pm	Wire Choir

### Sun, Jun 18

8:30 am	Worship Service (Virtual)
8:45 am	Contemporary Christian Topics
10:00 am	Worship Service (In-Person)

# **Upcoming Sundays:**

June 25	Alive for God (Gen 21.8-21) with Communion
July 2	Mr. Tom Feeney Preaching NO Communion
July 9	Rev. Drew Ensz Preaching
July 16	Sowing God's Word (Gen 25.19-34)
July 23	Rev. John Hall Preaching

### Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities "Not a Spectator Sport" Jun 18, 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



Hot Meals – Due to increasing requests for meals, the Hot Meals team could use some extra help this month. We will be preparing meals for our homeless neighbors on June 26, sign up to help out at bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. Food donations must be received no later than Sunday, June 25. Please deliver all donations to the kitchen clearly labeled for Hot Meals. For more information, contact Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com.

**Ride to Worship –** A member of our congregation, Laura Bealey, is in need of assistance getting to and from Sunday morning worship. If you are able to give her a ride, please sign up on the SignUp Genius found on Vale's website. You will be given more details as to when and where to pick her up the week prior. Please contact office@valechurch.org with any questions.



**VBS Registration** – Calling friends, family, and neighbors, VBS registration is open now! VBS will be taking place July 19-21, 9AM - 12PM. Please see Vale's homepage for a link to the sign up to register your child or to volunteer to help out. For more information, please email Miranda Mason

at mkmason.valeumc@gmail.com

**New Preschool Director** – We are excited to announce that Diane Willard has been hired as the Lead Teacher/Director of the Vale UMC Preschool. She has nearly 20 years of teaching experience – 13 at the preschool level – in her background. Diane and her husband, Patrick, now live in Reston and have three daughters.

**Hiring Assistant Teachers** – The Preschool asks for your help once again in recommending candidates for two assistant teachers. We are hoping to fill both positions to start in late August 2023. The assistant teachers will aid Diane and report directly to her. A full job



description is available at bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. Please contact Judy Jobbitt at jjobbitt@msn.com or 571-241-9595 with your recommendations and their contact information. If they wish to directly contact Vale themselves, please have them email preschooljobs@valechurch.org and mention you as a reference.

**Contact info** – If you are looking for contact information for Bobby Glass, please ask the office at office@valechurch.org or 703-620-2594

**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.

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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