Vale United Methodist Church



"Streams of Living Water: Contemplative"

July 30, 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.

9th Sunday after Pentecost July 30, 2023 "Fear, Faith, Freedom"

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:	When forces in the world threaten us,
Many:	When our bodies or spirits turn against us,
One:	There is One who seeks us,
Many:	One who meets us, One who heals us,
One:	Whose love washes over us
Many:	And sets us free for joy.
One:	This One is the Lord.
Many:	Come, let us worship God.

Hymn Sing

We invite you to choose a hymn for the congregation to sing the first and last verses of.

Confession and Pardon

- One: The geography of sin is a waterless waste. But God gives springs of living water, streams of justice and mercy splashing into the wilderness from the mountain of God. Let us drink deeply of Christ. Let us confess our sins.
- Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to Many: confess our sins and seek your mercy. There are barren places in our lives where we have wandered far from you. We have listened to voices who distracted us from your call. We have submitted to powers competing for our loyalty to you. We have not taken the hand you offer to lead us out of godforsakenness, and into your holy ways. God our Savior, forgive us. Quench our thirst for you from the Wellspring of our salvation, and let your love well up in us unto eternal life. Speak tenderly to us of your presence. Feed us with your word. Deliver us from evil. Let us enter into your kingdom; then send us out to serve you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of your Son, Iesus Christ. Amen.
- One: Christ Jesus is the bread of life, manna come down from heaven. Christ covers us with baptismal waters, so that our lives are hidden in him. This Jesus, the Son of the Most High God, is sovereign even over the powers of evil, so that his reign brings freedom and joy. Therefore, I declare to you by the power of the Holy Spirit, 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

Psalm 42:1-2a

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 "The Contemplative Stream"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

Hymn "As the Deer"

TFWS 2025

Tom Feeney

Kandi Molyneaux

Report from Annual Conference

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me. UMH 393



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 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.

*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 "Alleluia, Alleluia"

UMH 162

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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NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

10th Sunday after Pentecost, August 6, 2023

"Streams of Living Water: Holiness"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

Thank you to Debbie German and Bob Collum for providing our coffee hour treats!

Lay Readers: 10:00 Terri Lowry Virtual Kim Sheard

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: July 30 - Aug 6, 2023

Sun, Jul 30

8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual) 10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)

Mon, Jul 31

7:00 pm Wire Choir

Sun, Aug 6

8:30 am	Worship Service (Virtual)
10:00 am	Worship Service (In-Person)

Upcoming Sundays:

Aug 6Streams of Living Water: Holiness (Communion)Aug 13Streams of Living Water: Charismatic

* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities "Not a Spectator Sport" Jul 30, 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





Vale Choirs – The Chancel, Children's, and Flute Choirs are starting rehearsals again! See below for details.

Chancel Choir - Every Wednesday 7:30-9:00

in the sanctuary starting on Aug 23. Potluck dinner at the Haugh's to kick off, time TBD.

Children's Choir - Every Sunday after the 10:00 service in the sanctuary starting Sep 10.

Flute Choir - Every second and fourth Tuesday at 7:30-9:00 in the Fellowship Hall starting August 8. First performance is Aug 27 at Bethel UMC in Warrenton.

Youth Back to School Bash – On August 27, the Oakton/Vienna Youth Cohort is hosting a Back to School Bash at Wesley UMC! The theme is Casting Your Net, so if you have any spare fishing or other nautical decorations, we would greatly appreciate donations. All students grades 6-12 are invited, come have a ball before the summer ends!

Oakton Day in the Park – On August 27 from 1-4 pm Vale and Oakton UMC will be participating in the third annual Oakton Day in the Park. There will be music, food, a car show, book sales, and more! Come to Oakton Community Park on Hunter Mill Rd and have fun with the community!





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.

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.

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