
Vale United Methodist Church



“Streams of Living Water: Social Justice”

August 20, 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](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: Hints and whispers abound. God seeks us where we are.

Many: A voice calls our name in the twilight of sleep.

One: A call seen in the outstretched hands of the poor.

Many: A new dawning of insight while at prayer.

One: An internal shift of perception that is felt in the heart.

Many: A joyous peace in the midst of play.

One: A lifting of a burden, a flood of tears, a bushel of laughter.

Many: God is so near: guardian and friend who speaks to us.

Hymn Sing

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

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

Many: God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by the perfection of our actions, but by our readiness to live boldly by faith. Help us, as individuals and as a congregation, to trust you and follow where you lead, that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth.

One: Hear the good news: 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

Amos 5:24

*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 Social Justice Stream" Rev. Jeff Haugh

Hymn "How Shall I Come Before the Lord"

W&S 3124

Call for Joys and Concerns

“Jesu, Jesu”

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.*

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**

“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 “Let There Be Peace on Earth”

UMH 431

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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Sermon Notes and Illustrations

This is a page for you to take notes on the sermon or for our children and youth to illustrate what they've heard in the story today.

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

13th Sunday after Pentecost, August 27, 2023

“Streams of Living Water: Evangelical”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

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

Lay Readers:

10:00 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.

This Week at Vale: Aug 20 – Aug 27, 2023

Sun, Aug 20

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

Tues, Aug 22

7:30 pm Flute Choir

Wed, Aug 23

6:30 pm Chancel Choir Potluck
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thurs, Aug 24

7:00 pm Wire Choir

Sun, Aug 27

8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
9:00 am Flute Choir at Bethel UMC
10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)

* *see announcement for details*

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport"

Aug 20, 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, Handbell and Flute Choirs are starting rehearsals again! See below for details.

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

Chancel Choir - Every Wednesday 7:30-9:00 in the sanctuary starting on Aug 23, with a potluck dinner at the Haugh's at 6:30 to kick off.

Handbell Choir - Every Sunday at 11:30-12:30 in the Fellowship Hall starting Sep 3.

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

The Closet - Vale's next day at The Closet is Saturday, August 19. We need your help! The jobs are easy & can accommodate both those needing to sit as well as stand. Students who volunteer can receive credit toward their diplomas, so consider getting a head start on this school year. Please sign up on Vale's Signup Genius or on the Mission Board. Questions? Email Chris Olson - golsonc@gmail.com or Nancy Abramson - StronachNW@aol.com.

Second Story - Vale provides dinner once a month for teens in crisis staying in the Second Story Emergency Shelter in Vienna. Volunteers are needed to cook and deliver (or order takeout and have it delivered) for 4-12 people on August 22, September 26, October 24, November 28, and December 26. Please sign up on Vale's SignUp Genius. The meal should include the main course and sides (beverage is provided by Second Story). Dessert is optional but much appreciated! You will need to call Second Story the day before for the exact number of meals needed, contact Jan Feeney at jrmfeeney@aol.com or 571-217-6172 for their unlisted number, or with any questions.





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 August 28, please sign up to help out on Vale's SignUp Genius. Food donations must be received no later than Sunday, August 27. Please deliver all donations to the kitchen clearly labeled for Hot Meals. For more information, contact Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com.

Women's Community Bible Study – The Women's Bible Study will start up on Friday, August 25 at 9:00 am. We are studying "Walking with Gospel Women" by Fiona Stratta. Each week is a stand-alone study of women from the Bible, so you are invited to come as you are able. There is nothing to read ahead and having the book is not necessary, but can be helpful. For more information, please contact, Joanna Dietz at icarryatune@gmail.com. This study is on Zoom and lasts for about an hour.

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!



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