
Vale United Methodist Church



“Loss or Gain?”

October 8, 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**

UMH 750

Hymn “When We All Get to Heaven”

UMH 701

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

One: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, trusting in the promise of forgiveness.

Many: Almighty God, we have been wandering in the wilderness of sin. We have complained in the face of your mercy. We have been selfish and conceited in the face of your sacrifice. We have not done your will. Teach us humility. Teach us gratitude. Infuse your spirit into our beings so that we might be reconciled to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

One: People of God, our sins are forgiven. The Lord is loving, and we are reconciled to God. Therefore, let us humble and surrender ourselves to the will of God for the glory of the Lord. 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

Philippians 3:4-14

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 "Loss or Gain?"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

Hymn "Jesus Calls Us"

UMH 398

Missions Moment

Linda Chrosniak

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

TFWS 2164

“Sanctuary”

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,

Pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for 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.

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Special Music

“Let All the People Praise” by Courtney

Vale Chancel Choir

***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 “Song of Hope”

TFWS 2186

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 the Koefoot family
for providing our coffee hour treats!

Lay Readers:

10:00 Tom Feeney

Virtual Judy Jobbitt

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

20th Sunday after Pentecost, October 15, 2023

“Rejoice Always”

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: Oct 8 – Oct 15, 2023

Sun, Oct 8

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 11:00 am Children's Choir
- 11:30 am Handbell Choir
- 5:00 pm Youth Group*

Mon, Oct 9

- 7:00 pm Troop 1983 B & G BSA Meeting
- 7:15 pm Troop 1983 BSA Committee Meeting

Tues, Oct 10

- 7:30 pm Flute Choir

Wed, Oct 11

- 10:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thurs, Oct 12

- 7:00 pm Christmas Tree Planning Meeting

Sat, Oct 14

- 11:00 am Vale Fall Fair*

Sun, Oct 15

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 10:15 am Sunday School*
- 11:00 am Children's Choir
- 11:30 am Handbell Choir
- 5:00 pm Troop 1983 BSA Court of Honor
- 5:00 pm Youth Group*

* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport"

Oct 8, 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 Fall Fair – Join the Vale community on October 14 from 11 am - 3 pm for the Vale Fall Fair! There will be music, games, and food at the schoolhouse, as well as a bounce house and spin art here at the church. We will also have our sanctuary open to show the community our beautiful place of worship. We are looking for volunteers to help supervise these stations for 2 hours at a time, please sign up on Vale's SignUp Genius if you are interested.

Christmas Trees – Thank you to everyone who came to the planning meeting, we have got some great ideas and plans in the works! If you would like to be involved in setting up this year's tree sales for success, we will have follow up meetings on October 12, 26, and November 9 at 7 pm. A Zoom link is available for those that need it. Please contact Mike Martin at mike.vumc@yahoo.com with any questions.



The Closet – Vale's upcoming days at The Closet are this Wednesday, October 4 and Thursday, October 26, and 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

Neighbors Feeding Neighbors Food Drive – On October 20-21, Vale UMC and the Fox Mill Giant are partnering to participate in a Food Collection Event will be distributed to local elementary children. **This is a tentative event** as we need to determine the interest and availability of people to support this proposed event. Should we not have sufficient support by **October 13**, we will need to review our ability to support this mission, so please sign up to help out on Vale's SignUp Genius page.



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 Monday Oct 23, please sign up to help out on

Vale's SignUp Genius page. Food donations must be received no later than Sunday, October 22. Please deliver all donations to the kitchen clearly labeled for Hot Meals. For more information, contact Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com

Groundskeeping – Vale will be having some work done on the grounds over the next few weeks to keep our church looking beautiful. We will be removing some of the dying trees on the front of the property and replacing them, as well as adding a retaining wall along the hillside designed to match the Bill DuBois memorial wall.

Vale Choirs – Our next hymn sing is October 29! Please send in your requests for songs to Jan Smith at music@valechurch.org.



New Email Provider. We are transitioning our Church Management System from Breeze to Church Community Builder, which is associated with PushPay. Church emails, including the weekly Shout and monthly Voice, will soon come from ccbchurch.com or ccbgroups.com. If you are suddenly not receiving emails from Vale, please check your spam folder.

Sunday School Help Wanted – Are you interested in working with Vale's children? We are always looking for volunteers who are willing to spend an hour on their Sunday mornings to help teach our Children's Sunday School class. Materials and curriculum are provided. If you are interested, please contact Miranda Mason at ChristianEd@valechurch.org.

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