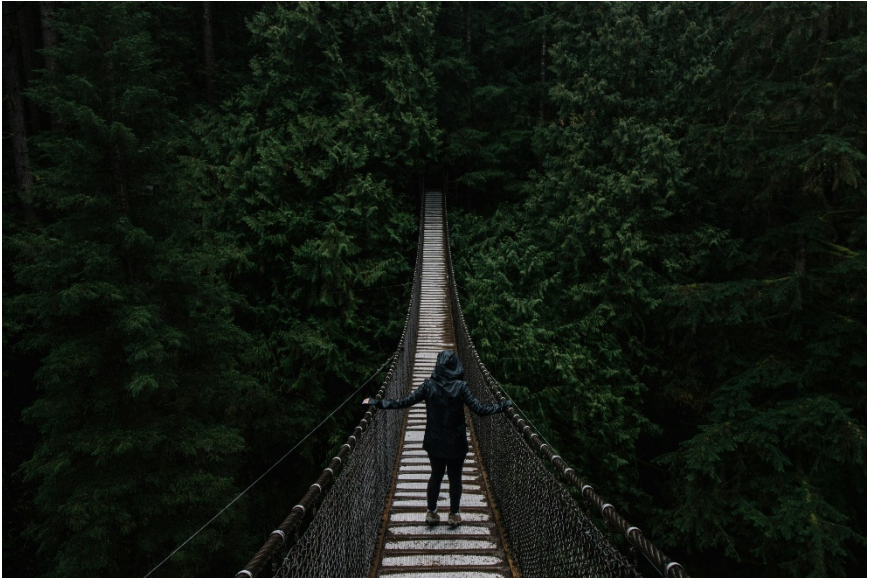

Vale United Methodist Church



“What Does It Really Mean to Trust More in God?”

February 25, 2024

11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124

www.ValeChurch.org

In Person Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Virtual Worship at 8:30 a.m.

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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 752

***Hymn “The Summons”**

TFWS 2130

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

One: Trusting in God’s promise of salvation, let us confess our sin and repent.

Many: Merciful God, we confess that we have not been sincere Christians. We claim to follow Jesus but have not taken his path of sacrificial love. We profess to be disciples, but we are not willing to bear the cost of discipleship. We affirm the virtue of self-denial, but we indulge our selfish desires and seek earthly gain. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for sincere repentance through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

One: Hear the good news: God deems as righteous all who trust that Jesus has been raised from the dead for our salvation. 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

Mark 8:31-38

*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.*

Sermon

Rev. John Hall

"What Does It Really Mean to Trust More in God?"

Hymn "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

UMH 399

Call for Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

“Let My Heart Be Quiet” by Schopf

Vale Chancel Choir

You may send prayer requests to PrayerRequests@ValeChurch.org.

*In lieu of applause for our choir, we will have a moment of silence
followed by the Lord's 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

*Doxology

UMH 95

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

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

Blessing of the Offerings

Hymn “Lord of the Dance”

UMH 261

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 Dorothy Arbiter

Virtual Shira Goodfellow

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

3rd Sunday in Lent, March 3, 2024

“A Stumbling Block”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

This Week at Vale: Feb 25 – Mar 3, 2024

Sun, Feb 25

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School*
- 10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 10:15 am Sunday School for Children
- 11:00 am Children's Choir
- 11:30 am Handbell Choir
- 12:00 pm Youth Cohort*
- 5:00 pm Third Weekend Chicken Dinner***

Mon, Feb 26

- 7:00 pm Troop 1893 Board Meeting

Tues, Feb 27

- 7:30 pm Flute Choir

Wed, Feb 28

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

Thurs, Feb 29

- 7:00 pm Wire Choir

Sat, Mar 2

- 10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry***

Sun, Mar 3

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* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport"

Feb 25, 2024

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, Tom Feeney, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org





Third Weekend at Vale – Join us TODAY, Feb 25 from 5-7 pm for a Fried Chicken Dinner as a celebration of the success of our Christmas tree sales and RISE Against Hunger ministry! Please sign up on Vale's website to give us an idea of how many will attend. No need to bring anything, just come and enjoy some good food and company

Youth Cohort Events – TODAY Feb 25 from 12-1:30 pm, join the Oakton/Vienna Youth Cohort for donuts and Lent bingo! We will be having fun and doing a service project at Oakton UMC, all youth grades 7-12 are welcome! Then on March 17 from 12-2 pm, Vale will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day celebration with games and service. To rsvp or for any questions, talk to Miracle or email her at valedcym@gmail.com.



Neighbors Feeding Neighbors – Good Shepherd UMC, Vale UMC, Crossfield ES PTA, and the Fox Mill Giant are partnering with the communities of Fox Mill, Vale, and Oakton to participate in a Food Collection Event. Food will be collected on March 1st and 2nd to address hunger issues in local elementary schools through school social workers. Weekend meals for those local children determined to be in need will be addressed from this food collection and subsequent distribution through the school year. Sign up to help out on Vale's website. For any questions, contact Stan Ellis at vwfdeuph@gmail.com or Sue Warrick at prstw@verizon.net



Easter Egg Hunt – Lent is here and that means Easter is coming! Our Easter Egg Hunt will take place after worship on Palm Sunday, March 24. We are seeking donations for approximately 400 eggs. You can donate already stuffed eggs or items to fill them by Sunday, March 3. Please provide peanut free candy. If you would like suggestions for non-candy items, consider items that will fit inside a regular egg such as pop-its, slap bracelets, or stickers. Questions? Talk to Miracle or email her at valedcym@gmail.com.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Join us on Saturday, Mar 2 at 10:30 am in the Resource Room to knit and crochet for ministry! We are making scarves and ornaments to be sold at the Vale Fall Fair. All experience levels are welcome, and lessons are available for those that need it. For more information, contact Margie Koller at kollermargie@gmail.com or Nancy Taylor at Luvkats4@gmail.com



Next Hymn Sing Sunday May 26 - Do you have a favorite hymn you'd love to sing and learn more about the history of? Please submit all requests to Jan Smith music@valechurch.org before the end of March so a few can be selected for us to share together that day. Wayne will probably ask for another Christmas hymn, so you'll need to be quick to beat him!

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.

Preschool Registration - Vale UMC Preschool registration for Fall 2024 is now open to all. Please tell your friends, family and neighbors to come register! Please see the preschool bulletin board across from the preschool classrooms for registration forms, or email Diane Willard at preschool@valechurch.org for information

Adult Sunday School New Time - Join us Sunday mornings at **9:00 am** for our Adult Sunday School class. Contact Stan Ellis at vvfdeuph@gmail.com or Lee Eisman at leeandlinda@verizon.net for more information.

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.

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