
Vale United Methodist Church



“A Thorn in the Flesh”

July 7, 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.

[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 lay reader will call out “May the peace of Christ be with you!”

Please respond with, “And also with you!”

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

UMH 782

Hymn Sing

*We invite you to choose a hymn for us to sing
the first and last verses.*

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

One: Threats in our lives pierce our hearts and cause us to doubt God's love. But God shows love for us in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Let us confess our sins and receive new life.

Many: Holy Three, Holy One, triune God, we confess that we do not believe that you have overcome sin and death. We are more in touch with the pangs of our weakness than we are with the power of your love. In fear, we worship idols; in despair, we collapse in hopelessness; in rage, we seek to dominate others

Many: O God of David, forgive us. O Son of David, have mercy on us. O Spirit of the Living God, grant us peace. Send us out with the good news: nothing can withstand the victory of the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

One: Hear and believe this good news: Jesus, the Christ, son of Mary, Son of the Most High God, was broken and poured out 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.



Prayer for Illumination

Many: Savior God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, speak to us through Jesus Christ, your living Word, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Scripture

II Corinthians 12:2-10

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 "A Thorn in the Flesh" Rev. Jeff Haugh

Creed UMH 887

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer UMH 393

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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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

***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

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 15

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

In the United Methodist tradition, all who seek to lead a Christian life, together with their children, are welcome to receive communion. Those who wish to have Communion brought to their seat should notify an usher. Gluten-free elements are available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, you may cross your hands as you approach.

Communion Prayer

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn “Living For Jesus”

TFWS 2149

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 Deppe family
for providing our coffee hour treats!

Lay Readers:

10:00 Bette Rutherford

Virtual Tom Feeney

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

8th Sunday after Pentecost, July 14, 2024

“Dancing?”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

RECENTLY AT VALE:



Cub Scout Pack 1530 Bridging Ceremony

This Week at Vale: Jul 7 - 14, 2024

Sun, Jul 7

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

Tues, Jul 9

7:30 pm Flute Choir

Thurs, Jul 11

7:00 pm **Christmas Tree Planning Meeting***
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Sun, Jul 14

8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
9:00 am **Embry Rucker Meal Packing***
10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)

* *see announcement for details*

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport"

July 7, 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!

Video Recording Notice – We occasionally record and publish our worship services. If you do not wish for your image to be shown, please alert the pastor or the church office.



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



Embry Rucker - July 14 starting at 9am in the church kitchen, come help make sandwiches and packs bags for the Embry Rucker Shelter. We will be done by the 10am service. Sign up to help out on Vale's website. For more information, contact Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com

VBS - Vacation Bible School will take place July 30 - August 1 from 9:30-11:30 am. Visit valechurch.org to register now, and invite your friends and neighbors! If you would like to serve and be part of the team providing spiritual growth for children, talk to Miracle or email her at valedcym@gmail.com.



Christmas Tree Planning - The next planning meetings for our tree sales will be on July 11, Aug 8, and Sep 5 at 7:00. Contact Mike Martin at mike.vumc@yahoo.com for more information.

Summer Youth Events - All youth from Vale and Community of Faith UMC & their friends are invited to have some fun this summer! Join us on July 28 & August 25 from 5-7pm. For questions or to rsvp, talk to Miracle, valedcym@gmail.com



Vale Music - Come one, come all! You are invited to sing or play in one of Vale's several Music groups:

Chancel Choir (ages 14-100) rehearses Wed 7:30-9pm in the Sanctuary

Handbell Choir (any age) rehearses Sun 11:30-12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

Children's Choir (ages 4-13) rehearses Sun 11-11:30pm in the Sanctuary

Flute Choir (ages 14-100) rehearses every 2nd & 4th Tue in the Fellowship Hall

All choirs will begin again in the fall - stay tuned for start dates!
(Flute Choir is continuing to rehearse during the summer)

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