Vale United Methodist Church



"Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness and Generosity"

November 3, 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



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.

24th Sunday after Pentecost November 3, 2024 "Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness and Generosity"

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!"*

*Call to Worship

UMH 769

Hymn TFWS 2223 "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

Confession and Pardon

- One: Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, confessing our sins before God and one another.
- Many: Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have been angry with the world and nursed grudges against our adversaries. We have hoarded the fruits of our labors rather than share our bounty with the needy. We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness but have indulged in evil gossip. We have not forgiven the wrongs others have done, even though we desire your forgiveness toward us in Jesus Christ. Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Amen.

Lay Reader

One: Let us put away bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, for 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: Almighty God, as we hear your gracious Word, make us hungry for Jesus, your holy manna, that we may feed on him, the bread of life. Amen.

Scripture

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

The reading will end with "A word of God that is still speaking." Please respond with "Thanks be to God."

Baptism

UMH 33

Matthew Bonifacio Taylor

Children's Moment

After the Children's Moment, children will be dismissed to return to their families.



Sermon

"Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness and Generosity"

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

UMH 393

Rev. Jeff Haugh

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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.

Mission Moment

At 35 years, Facets Hot Meals Program is Vale's longest running food ministry. In partnership with FACETS, Vale volunteers cook and package hot meals every other month to deliver and serve 180 - 200 homeless and other food insecure families and individuals living along the Rt 50 corridor in Fairfax. We also accept specific donations of food and other non-food items for the meal. Mary Moran leads this outreach.

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. Glutenfree elements are available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, you may cross your hands as you approach.

Kathy McGill

Communion Prayer

We thank you God, for inviting us to this table, where we have known the presence of Christ and 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 "Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands" UMH 273

SENDING FORTH

Transformed by God's presence, we go into the world to serve.

Mission and Ministry Opportunities

* Blessing and Charge

After the service, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation!

* 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)

Thank you to the Grove family for providing our coffee hour treats!

Lay Readers: 10:00 Lee Eisman Virtual The Deppe family License Information

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NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

25th Sunday after Pentecost, November 10, 2024

"Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

RECENTLY AT VALE:



Happy Halloween! Thanks to everyone who came out and made our Trunk or Treat a success!

This Week at Vale: Nov 3 – Nov 10, 2024

Sun, Nov 3

Worship Service (Virtual)
Adult Sunday School
Worship Service (In-Person)
Children's Choir
Handbell Choir

Mon, Nov 4

7:00 pm BSA Troop 1983 Meeting

Tues, Nov 5

7:00 pm Missions Committee Meeting

Wed, Nov 6

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

Thurs, Nov 7

7:00 pm	Wire Choir
7:30 pm	Christmas Tree Planning Meeting

Sat, Nov 9

9:00 am	Scouting for Food*
10:30 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry*

Sun, Nov 10

8:30 am	Worship Service (Virtual)
9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
10:00 am	Worship Service (In-Person)
10:15 am	Children's Sunday School
11:00 am	Children's Choir
11:30 am	Handbell Choir
11:45 am	Vale Lunch Out*

* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities "Not a Spectator Sport" Nov 3, 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



All Saints' Sunday – On Sunday, Nov 10, we will be celebrating the lives of the many saints in our lives and read the names of those who have gone on to glory in the past year. If you would like us to read the name of someone who passed in the last year and who has been a saint to you, please contact the church office by Wednesday, Nov 6 with their full name, the date of their passing, and a small blurb about them.

The Closet – Our next volunteer days at The Closet are Wednesday, Nov 6, and Monday, Dec 2. We are asked to volunteer a total of 12 hours of

manpower. If you can help out, please sign up on Vale's website or on the Missions board in the hallway. The jobs are easy & the organization helps the greater area in so many ways. If you have questions, contact Nancy Abramson at StronachNW@aol.com.

Vale 130th Anniversary Celebration – Vale Church is turning 130 years old! We invite all current and former members of the church as well as the local community to join us on Sunday, November 17 to celebrate. We will have our regular online worship service at 8:30 am and in person worship at 10 am, followed by a catered lunch gathering in the fellowship hall with guest speakers and a presentation on the history of the church and our congregation over the last 13 decades. Come help us to celebrate 130 years of Vale community! If you are outside the local area and are planning to attend, drop us a line to tell us you're coming at office@valechurch.org. We hope to see you there!



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Prayer Shawl – The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet this Saturday, November 9 at 10:30 in the Resource Room. Please bring all items you have to sell at the Christmas Tree event to our meeting. For more information, contact Margie Koller at

kollermargie@gmail.com or Nancy Taylor at Luvkats4@gmail.com

Scouting for Food – Scouting for Food will be held on Saturday, Nov 9 from 9:30am to 1:30pm at Community of Faith. All are welcome to join. Please sign up for shifts at bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. Youth are encouraged to volunteer. Service hours are available. For questions or to rsvp, talk with Miracle directly or email valedcym@gmail.com.

Vale Lunch Out – Our next Vale Lunch Out will be held on Sunday, November 10, at 11:45, at Famous Dave's, located in the Oakton Shopping Center. Separate checks will be given. While reservations are not necessary, the manager would like a "guesstimate" of the number of guests by Thursday, November 7. For questions or to let me know you plan to attend, contact Terri Lowry at 703-620-6632 or via email at tlowry2003@gmail.com. All are welcome to join us. Hope to see you there!



Virtual Thanksgiving Bags – The Vale Mission Committee will once again be providing our SE DC families with Giant Dollars for a Thanksgiving meal this year. To participate, we ask that you choose to donate to a specific bag or to a whole meal at

bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. Donations must be received at the church by Nov 12 either by check or electronically through PushPay. Please clearly designate "Missions -Turkey Fund" on your donation. Contact Mary Morran mmorran01@gmail.com with any questions.

Christmas Tree Sales – The season is approaching! The SignUp Genius for our tree sales is up and running at bit.ly/ValeTrees. Early volunteers will be getting some "thank you" gifts this year. Help us make this year's sale more successful than ever! Contact Mike Martin at mike.vumc@yahoo.com with any questions.

Website Updates – Our website is getting a new look! We are working on updating the website and all of its contents, so please continue to have patience with us. If you encounter any critical issues, please let the office know at office@valechurch.org.

2024 VALE CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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