
Vale United Methodist Church



“Roots to Fruits”

November 17, 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.

26th Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2024
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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

“Joyful, Joyful” Beethoven/Cooke, arr. Sheard
Vale Flute Choir

***Call to Worship**

UMH 746

Hymn “God of the Ages”

UMH 698

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

One: Let us confess to our God, for the Lord is just in all his ways and kind in all his doings. The Lord is near to all who call on him, that we may be filled with the fullness of God.

Many: God, you uphold those who are falling and raise up all who are bowed down. Therefore we confess our sins - both things we have done and things we have left undone - in every confidence that you will open your hands to us in an embrace of forgiveness and love. Amen.

One: Dearly beloved, through the power of the Spirit that is at work within us, God forgives our sins and strengthens our inner beings. So now live knowing the love of Christ, which surpasses all knowledge and fills us with the fullness of God. 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: Holy God, may your Word give us the power to comprehend, with all the saints, the length and width, the height and depth, of the love of Christ and fullness of life in you. Amen.

Scripture

Ephesians 3:14-21

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.

Special Music

"Glory Be" by Sorensen

Vale Chancel Choir

Sermon “Roots to Fruits”

Rev. Dave Rochford

Hymn “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”

UMH 540

An Architectural History of Vale’s Sanctuary

Bob Lacy

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

UMH 92

“For the Beauty of the Earth”
*Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.*

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

“You are just in all your ways,” Please respond with,

“And kind in all your doings.”

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

“Three American Hymns” arr. Jicha

Vale Flute Choir

***Doxology**

UMH 94

“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 “We Are the Church”

UMH 558

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)

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*Today's altar flowers were dedicated by Elvita Jones in memory of her
husband, Tom Jones, marking one year since his passing.*

Lay Reader:

10:00

Rev. Danny Kesner

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

27th Sunday after Pentecost, November 24, 2024

“What Fruit Are You Producing?”

Rev. Jeff Haugh

RECENTLY AT VALE:



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

This Week at Vale: Nov 17 – Nov 24, 2024

Sun, Nov 17

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School
- 10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person and Streaming)
- 10:15 am Children's Sunday School
- 11:00 am 130th Anniversary Luncheon
- 3:00 pm GS Troop 56051 Meeting

Mon, Nov 18

- 5:00 pm GS Troop 56122 Meeting
- 7:00 pm BSA Troop 1983 Meeting
- 7:15 pm BSA Troop 1983 Board Meeting

Tues, Nov 19

- 5:30 pm GS Troop 56130 Meeting
- 7:00 pm Wire Choir

Wed, Nov 20

- 10:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 6:30 pm GS Troop 56034
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thurs, Nov 21

- 1:00 pm UMW Meeting

Sat, Nov 23

Christmas Trees arrive!

Sun, Nov 24

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 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
- 3:00 pm GS Troop Meeting

* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport"

Nov 17, 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 Feeny, at FinSec@ValeChurch.org



Vale 130th Anniversary Celebration – Vale Church is turning 130 years old! We invite you to join us after the service for 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.



Christmas Tree SignUps – Our Christmas trees are arriving on Saturday, Nov 23! We will need plenty of help to unload and set up the trees, as well as with our sale during the week. The SignUp Genius for our tree sales is up and running at bit.ly/valetrees, and volunteers that sign up before Nov 28 will be getting some “thank you” gifts this year! If you sign up for 6 or more shifts you will get a hat, 15 or more and you will get a sweatshirt.

Please be sure to sign up, not just show up! While unexpected volunteers are always a welcome surprise, we need to know how many volunteers we will have for each shift. If there are not enough volunteers signed up on a date, we are supplementing with paid labor, so please be sure to sign up if you are coming to help us avoid unnecessary costs.

Wreaths by Mail – Would you like to spread a little Christmas cheer to a loved one living far away? After the worship service for next 2 Sundays, there will be a table in Fellowship Hall taking orders for mailed wreaths. Each wreath is \$60 including shipping, and is 22 inches in diameter, made of Frasier fir, and has a red bow with 16 inch tails. If you will not be at Vale in person, you can also email Mike Martin with the addresses and quantity at mike.vumc@yahoo.com to place an order.

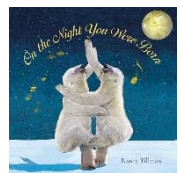
Stewardship Time - As we celebrate 130 years of Vale UMC, please remember to return your estimate of giving to the church by NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th. This gives time to set the 2025 general operating budget. Like the world around us, inflation has hit Vale and we anticipate needing about 5% more in 2025 to cover our staff, utilities, and general upkeep. Your generous projected support and, potentially your increase if you can at any level, is important for our budget planning. Many thanks for your ongoing support to keep Vale vibrant



Fall Cleanup - On Saturday, November 30th from 10 am to 12 pm, we will be hosting our Vale Fall Cleanup. This is a very social event, and almost all of the work is easy pruning, raking, and leaf blowing of the planting beds. If you have them, bring rakes, wheelbarrows, tarps, leaf blowers, and gloves. We need everybody who is able to come help out and be part of this fellowship!

Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner. Vale Church members are invited to join Troop 1983 on Monday, November 25 for their annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner from 6:30-8:00 in the Fellowship Hall. It's a time for fellowship, enjoying other's favorite Thanksgiving dishes, and an opportunity to share your favorite dish with others. While not required, if you'd like to bring something to share, you can sign up using the link on bit.ly/ValeChurchInfo. Please label your item if it is vegetarian or includes tree nuts. Contact Dwight Reed, sm1983bsa@cox.net if you have any questions

Christmas Nativity - Save the date! On Sunday, Dec 22 at 4pm, Vale & Community of Faith will come together for a Christmas Nativity Play. We are looking for all ages to participate and offer their gifts as we tell the story of when Jesus was born. If you are interested in helping us get ready by decorating or prepping costumes, we would love that too! Please let Miracle know if you are interested in participating by talking with her directly or emailing her at valedcym@gmail.com.



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