# Vale United Methodist Church



# "Rescue Me"

March 9, 2025

# 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.

# I<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

# March 9, 2025

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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

\*Call to Worship

UMH 810

### \*Hymn "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" UMH 277

### **Confession and Pardon**

Many: Jesus, We confess that when we read about your temptations, we excuse ourselves. After all, we reason, we are not you. "Of course, you passed the test," we say. "You're God, right?" We mere mortals have no expectation that we can withstand evil like you did. But we are reminded that you are not only Savior; you are an example. You faced the temptation to prove yourself, to be spectacular, and to have consuming power. And you walked away, resisting. Forgive us when we have not resisted; when we have yielded to temptation. Forgive us for loving power and prestige more than God. Help us to choose a life rooted in God's word and grace. Amen

### Lay Reader

- One: Hear the good news: 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**



## **Prayer for Illumination**

Many: Bring your word near to us, O God. May it rest not only on our lips, but also reside in our hearts. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to respond to your word with our whole lives until you become our dwelling place; through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

## Scripture

### Luke 4:1-13

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 "Rescue Me"

**Rev. Jeff Haugh** 

## Hymn "Jesus, Tempted in the Desert" TFWS 2105



# **Call for Joys and Concerns**

### **Call to Prayer**

### **TFWS 2108**

### "O How He Loves You and Me"

O how he loves you and me! O how he loves you and me! He gave his life. What more could he give? O how he loves you; O how he loves me; O how he loves you and 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, have mercy," Please respond with, "**Christ, have mercy.**"

### 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. **Stewardship Moment** 

# God's Tithes and Our Offerings

# Special Music "Let Me Walk with Thee" arr. Paul 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 "Take Time to Be Holy"

UMH 395

# Judy Jobbitt

# 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 Judy Jobbitt and Tom Marshall for providing our coffee hour treats! If you are interested in assisting with coffee hour, please contact us at <u>office@valechurch.org</u>

Lay Readers: 10:00 Bob Lacy Virtual Suzanne Michaelis

# NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, March 16, 2025

"Conceal Me"

Rev. Jeff Haugh

# **RECENTLY AT VALE:**



Thank you to all those who helped to pack food for FCPS! We delivered a total of 200 snack packs to the Dunn Loring Administrative Center.

Sun, Mar 9	
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
11:15 am	Handbell Choir
11:45 am	Vale Lunch Out*
1:00 pm	GS Troop 40 Event
4:00 pm	Youth Group*
Mon, Mar 10	
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 1983 Meeting
Tues, Mar 11	
10:00 am	Vale Book Club
7:00 pm	Wire Choir
7:30 pm	Flute Choir
Wed, Mar 12	
10:00 am	Wednesday Morning Bible Study
6:30 pm	GS Troop 56034 Meeting
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir
Thurs, Mar 13	
4:00 pm	GS Troop 56051 Meeting
7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Fri, Mar 14	
5:30 pm	GS Troop Meeting
Sun, Mar 16	
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
11:15 am	Handbell Choir
3:00 pm	GS Troop 56061 Meeting

# Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities "Not a Spectator Sport" Mar 9, 2025

# 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* 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





**Vale Lunch Out –** Our next Vale Lunch Out will be held TODAY, March 9, at 11:45 at Famous Dave's, located in the Oakton Shopping Center. Separate checks will be given. 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!

Youth Group - All youth 6th through 12th grade are invited to gather together TONIGHT from 4-6pm at Vale. Dinner will be provided. Friends and neighbors are welcome. If you have questions or to rsvp, talk with Miracle directly or email her at valedcym@gmail.com

**Scams and Frauds Workshop** – On Mar 13 at 10:00 am, join us at the Fair Oaks Police Station to learn how to protect yourself against common scams and frauds. Learn about the latest scam methods and tips to protect yourself and your family. No registration is needed. For more information, contact charles.reinhard@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-352-2163

**Embry Rucker** – On Sunday, Mar 16 starting at 9 am in the church kitchen, come help make sandwiches and pack bags for the Embry Rucker Shelter! We will be done by the 10 am service. Sign up to help out on Vale's website. For more information, contact Mary Morran at mmorran01@gmail.com.



**Easter Egg Stuffing –** Easter is approaching, so it is time to start collecting donations for egg stuffing! We are accepting donations of nut-free candy and small items like stickers or pop-its. All are welcome to join us for stuffing on Wednesday, April 2nd at

10am. Our goal is 400 eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt after worship on Sunday, April 13. If you have questions or to let Miracle know what you plan to donate, you can talk with her directly or email her at valedcym@gmail.com.



Soul Care UMW Retreat - Attention all women of Vale, The Virginia Conference United Women in Faith is hosting a retreat! The Spiritual Life Soul Care Retreat will be held May 2-4 at Massanetta Springs Conference Center in Harrisonburg. This is an opportunity to remind yourself who the United Women in Faith are and what we accomplish for women, children, and youth. For more information and registration, see the

flyer at bit.lv/ValeChurchInfo.

Preschool Registration - Registration for Vale's preschool is now open to all families! If you register before March 15, the registration fee is \$125, and afterwards the fee is \$150. To register, or for more information, contact Diane Willard at preschool@valechurch.org.

### Vale and Community of Faith Holy Week Schedule

### Sun, Apr 13: Palm Sunday

- 10:00 am Worship Service (Vale -In-Person)
- 11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt (Vale)

### Thurs, Apr 17: Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service (Vale)

### Fri, Apr 18: Good Friday

7:00 pm Good Friday Cantata (Floris)

### Sun, Apr 20: Easter Sunday

- 7:00 am Sunrise Service (CoF)
- 8:30 am Worship Service (Vale -Virtual)
- 10:00 am Worship Service (Vale and CoF)
- 11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt (CoF)

### **Community of Faith UMC**

13224 Franklin Farm Rd, Herndon, VA 20171 At the corner of Franklin Farm and Fairfax County Parkway

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