
Vale United Methodist Church



“The Dance”

February 22, 2026

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.

“The Dance”

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

***Hymn “The Church’s One Foundation” UMH 545**

Prayer for First Sunday of Lent

Many: God, you are our refuge. You are the shore in sight, you are the hands that reach out, you are the ground on which to rest. God, you are our strength. You are the life we long for, you are the refusal to give up, you are the keys of home we carry with us. God, you are our help in time of trouble. We call on you from the ruins and rubble, we call on you from the wildness and the deep, we call on you to meet us in this place! Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

We hear God’s word proclaimed. We act in response.



Prayer for Illumination

Many: Lord of mystery and love, as we open Your Word today, open our hearts and our minds. Reveal to us the truth of who you are – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – and draw us deeper into Your divine life. Help us not only to understand with our minds, but to receive with faith and live in Your love. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

Scripture

John 14:9-11

*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 “The Dance”

Rev. Yun Kim

Hymn “How Great Thou Art”

UMH 77

Call for Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

UMH 405

“Seek Ye First”, vs. 1

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his
righteousness, and all these things shall be
added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!*

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

Special Music

“**Blessed Are They**” – Craine/Klien

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

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 Diane DuBois and Bette Rutherford for providing our coffee hour treats!

*If you are interested in assisting with coffee hour,
please contact us at office@valechurch.org*

Lay Readers:

10:00 Bette Rutherford

Virtual Terri Lowry

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

2nd Sunday in Lent, March 1, 2026

“The Healing”

Rev. Yun Kim

RECENTLY AT VALE:



Oh, the lovely Flute Choir played!

This Week at Vale: Feb 22 – Mar 1, 2026

Sun, Feb 22

- 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
- 11:00 am Fellowship Coffee
- 11:30 am Handbell Choir
- 11:30 pm Teen Youth Group*

Mon, Feb 23

- 7:00 pm Troop 1983, Scouts BSA

Tues, Feb 24

- 7:30 pm Flute Choir

Wed, Feb 25

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

Thurs, Feb 26

- 6:00 pm **Potluck Tree Sale Celebration***

Fri, Feb 27

- 5:00 pm Pinewood Derby

Sat, Feb 28

- 7:30 pm Pinewood Derby Race

Sun, Mar 1

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* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Not a Spectator Sport"

Feb 22, 2026

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".

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



Youth Group – Teens (13-18) will meet **TODAY**, from 11:30 to 1:00 pm in the Vale Youth Room. This is a space just for teens to build friendships, explore faith, and enjoy meaningful conversations and activities together.

Christmas Tree Sales Celebration – Come one, come all to celebrate the fantastic accomplishments of our congregation and the Christmas Tree and Rise Against Hunger volunteers! Let's come together on Thursday, February 26 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall for a festive potluck and party! Please go to bit.ly/valecelebration or [Vale's SignUp Genius page](#) to tell us what dish you will be bringing and how many will be attending. Questions? Call Deb Cohen at 703-304-9709. Hope to see everyone there!

Calling all Lay Readers – Please consider serving. Sign-up on Vale's [SignUp Genius Page!](#)

Preschool Registration – Registration for Vale's preschool is open! If you register before February 28, the fee is \$125 and after March 1, the fee increases to \$150. Registration forms are available on the Preschool bulletin board and in the church office. For more information, or to register please reach out to Diane Willard at preschool@valechurch.org.

Coffee Hour Volunteers –Volunteers are needed to provide coffee and snacks for after our 10:00 service. Please sign up on Vale's [SignUp Genius page](#) to help out!



The Neighbors Feeding Neighbors program is looking for some new volunteers to keep supporting our local schools. The process of shopping, packing and distribution of backpack packages of foods that we provide to the children of Waples Mill Elementary takes a number of hours every month and a few extra hands would make light work for the current committee. If you are interested, please see Eileen Koefoot or Linda Chrosniak after services or reach out directly to Eileen at ekoefoot@gmail.com or 703-472-6410.

Children's Easter Egg Hunt - Our community wide Easter Egg Hunt will begin after service around 11:30 am on March 29th. Festivities will include an Easter story, games, and a candy-filled egg hunt. Please bring your own basket and invite your friends and neighbors! For more information or questions, email Cayla at valedcym@gmail.com



Prayer Shawl ministry - will meet again Saturday, March 7th at 10:30 am in the Vale Church Resource Room.

We need your photos! A team is working to redesign and relaunch the Vale Church website, and we need new, recent photos! We are focusing on "action" photos: pictures of people doing things (not just standing in a row and smiling for the camera). Please pick a few of your favorites and email them to office@valechurch.org. See Stephanie Marshall if you have questions or any ideas to share.



Vale Lunch Out - Our next Vale Lunch Out will be held March 8, 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!

Easter Eggs - We are **collecting donations** for our Children's Easter Egg Hunt! We are accepting donations of *nut-free* candy and small items like stickers or pop-its. Please drop off your donations by Sunday March 22nd at the Church Office. For more information or if you have questions, email Cayla at valedcym@gmail.com.



Easter Youth Breakfast and Advanced Easter Egg Hunt - All youth ages 9-18 are invited to stick around after the Sunrise Easter Service for a special Youth Easter Breakfast in the Youth Room, followed by an advanced Easter Egg hunt before the 10:00 am service.

Men's Breakfast Group - meets at the Silver Diner on West Ox Road. We meet every other week, from 8:00AM to about 9:30AM, for breakfast and fellowship. Join us for our next meet-up! If you would like to be on the invitation list, please email Bob Collum at robert_collum@hotmail.com.

Coming up at Vale:

Sun, Mar 29: Palm Sunday

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Vale -Virtual)
- 10:00 am Worship Service (Vale -In-Person)
- 11:30 am *Annual Children's Easter Egg Hunt*

Thurs, Apr 2: Maundy Thursday

- 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service (CoF)

Sun, Apr 5: Easter Sunday

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



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