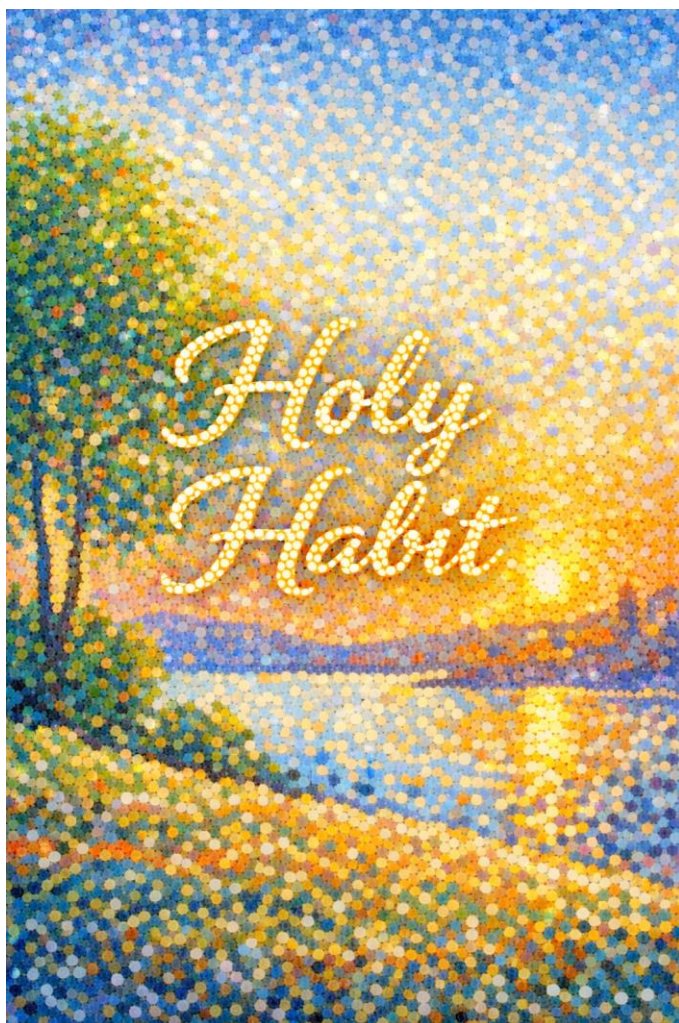

Vale United Methodist Church



11528 Vale Road • Oakton, Virginia 22124
8:30 am (virtual) worship & 10:00 am Worship
www.ValeChurch.org



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.

“Holy Habits”

GATHERING

We gather as the people of God to be formed by God's grace.

**Please stand in spirit or in posture.*

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**

One: Easter people, we gather to worship and to listen, to learn the sound, the feel, the cadence of the Shepherd's voice.

Many: **We come seeking our Shepherd's voice.**

One: We gather to worship and to discern, to learn how to recognize our Shepherd's voice amidst the chaos and noise of our lives.

Many: **We come seeking our Shepherd's voice.**

One: We gather to worship and to find shelter, to learn to trust our Shepherd's voice to guide us to safety and provide for us in all things.

Many: **We come seeking our Shepherd's voice.**

One: Come, let us worship as we listen for the voice of Jesus who guides us, protects us, provides for us, and draws us together in community.

Many: We come to worship as the family of Christ, a flock seeking and following our Shepherd's voice. Amen.

***Hymn**

UMH 421

“Make Me a Captive, Lord”

Confession and Pardon

Lay Reader

Many: God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships with you and with others. We have gone astray; we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to be generous with the poor and abandoned our efforts to bring about justice. We feel the stains of our sins, God; have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Wash the sinfulness out of us and help us to live more faithfully as your servants. We seek your unfailing Lordship and ask for your guiding hand on our lives. You are the immortal, invisible One; to you be honor and glory forever; Amen.

One: Merciful and loving God, we thank you for never losing hope for us. When we are lost, you are there on the lookout for us, bringing us back to you like the good shepherd that you are. Your Word tells us of the joy in heaven that awaits us. May this joy flow into our lives each day, and be faithfully reflected into the world around us.

Many: Thanks be to God, our Great Shepherd. Amen.

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

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



Prayer for Illumination

Many: Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture

Hebrews 12:5-13

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 invited to go to their Sunday School classes.

Sermon

“Holy Habits”

Rev. Yun Kim

*Hymn

UMH 382

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

Call for Joys and Concerns

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

"Joy Medley" – arr. Stutzman
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**

UMH 422

"Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love"

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 Pat Gibson
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 Michael Martin

Virtual Pat Gibson

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

5th Sunday of Easter, May 3, 2026

“Wisdom from Ecclesiastes”

Rev. Yun Kim

RECENTLY AT VALE:



If you have a picture you would like to share, send it to office@valechurch.org

This Week at Vale: Apr 26 – May 3, 2026

Sun, Apr 26

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School*
- 10:00 am Worship Service (In-Person)
- 10:15 am Sunday School for Children
- 11:00 am Children's Choir
- 11:00 am Fellowship Coffee*
- 11:30 am Handbell Choir

Mon, Apr 27

- 7:00 pm Troop 1983, Scouts BSA

Tues, Apr 28

- 7:30 pm Flute Choir

Wed, Apr 29

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

Thurs, Apr 30

Sat, May 2

- 10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 12:30 am Fox Lake Community Meeting

Sun, May 3

- 8:30 am Worship Service (Virtual)
- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School*
- 10:00 am Communion Worship Service (In-Person)
- 10:15 am Sunday School for Children
- 11:00 am Fellowship Coffee*
- 11:00 am Children's Choir
- 11:30 am Handbell Choir
- 12:00 pm Luminary Youth Hike and Picnic*

* see announcement for details

Vale Mission and Ministry Opportunities

"Your presence matters"

Apr 26, 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 Vale Church community!

We look forward to meeting you in person—and hope to see you with us again soon!



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 Feeny at FinSec@ValeChurch.org



Men's Breakfast Group - meets at the Silver Diner on West Ox Road. We meet every other week, from 8:00 am to about 9:30 am, for breakfast and fellowship. Join us for our next meet-up which is **tomorrow**, Monday, April 27! Questions? email Bob Collum at robert_collum@hotmail.com.

Blessing of the Animals - The Blessing of the Animals will be held in the outside Sanctuary, May 17 at 1:00 pm. We will be celebrating all the creatures of this world in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. There will be a photographer for you to make a special memory with your pet. Bring your furry, scaly, and feathered friends! If your pet can't make it, you may also bring a photo.



Prayer Shawl Ministry - will meet again Saturday, May 2 at 10:30 am in the Vale Resource room.

Vale Scholarship Application 2026 - Vale Scholarship Committee is accepting scholarship applications from High School seniors and those continuing their college education. Scholarships are given in memory of Bill DuBois, Ed Lowry, Ellenor DuBois, and Marilyn Haas and other saints of the church. The submission **deadline is May 6th**. Please email the church office at office@valechurch.org for more information and an application.

Luminary Youth Hike and Picnic Lunch - is scheduled for Sunday May 3. The Luminary Youth Group is heading out for a hike and picnic! We will meet at church at 12:00 pm and spend the afternoon enjoying nature, conversation, and time together before wrapping up at 2:00pm. Be sure to bring a packed lunch for our picnic along the way and don't forget comfortable shoes and a water bottle.



Reprise Service - On Sunday, May 17 during the worship service, the Chancel and Flute Choirs will present a Reprise Service of all music and readings.

You don't want to miss this special annual event to close out the season for these amazing and hard-working ensembles!

The Closet - Our next volunteer day at The Closet is Saturday, May 9. We are asked to volunteer a total of 12 hours of manpower. If you can help out, please sign up on Vale's SignUp Genius page. 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.



Hymn Sing - Our next hymn Sing will be Sunday, May 31. Requests should be emailed to Jan at janbrewer00@yahoo.com.

Adult Sunday School - Join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 am for our Sunday School class. For more information, contact Lee Eisman at leeandlinda@verizon.net.

Preschool Registration - Registration for Vale's Fall 2026 preschool year is now open! Registration is \$150.00. For more information, contact Diane Willard at preschool@valechurch.org

Bulletin Board Redesign - The Missions Committee would like to create a new Bulletin Board to highlight the programs we currently support. We could use a creative person to help us design a new look for our location in the main church hallway. If you are willing to help, please contact Linda Chrosniak at lchrosniak@gmail.com.

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