

TrueNorth Cultural Arts Presents

Songs of Nature Autumn Concert

Saturday, October 25th, 2025, 7:30 p.m.

Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra
Rick Fortney – Artistic Director and Conductor
Kathryn Bates - Concertmaster
Maryann Nagel Violand and Greg Violand - Narrators
Ron Jantz – Nature Photography

Down a Country Lane Aaron Copland

The Blue Bird Charles Villiers
Stanford

The Silver Swan Orlando Gibbons

As Torrents In Summer Edward Elgar

Morning from ***Peer Gynt Suite, Op. 23*** Edvard Grieg

Songs of Nature Antonin Dvořák

Text by Vítězslav Hálek, English Version by Harold Heiberg

1. ***Melodies Steal Into My Heart***

2. ***Vesper Bells Ring***

3. ***Golden Sunlight***

4. ***Slender Young Birch***

5. ***This Day***

Free Will Offering:

Tonight's Free Will Offering will help defray the costs of tonight's concert. TrueNorth Cultural Arts relies on your support which enables us to present this concert season with free admission.

Concerto No. 3 in F major, Op. 8, RV 293,

“Autumn” (L'autunno)

Antonio Vivaldi

Kathryn Bates, violin and Lauren Swartz, viola

Duetto Buffo Di Due Gatti

Gioachino Rossini

(Comic duet for two cats)

Jennifer Bertoni and Janine Porter, sopranos, Ruth Williams, piano

Pastorale Symphony No. 6

Ludwig van Beethoven

5th movement, finale



TrueNorth Chorale – Rick Fortney, Director

Sopranos

Jen Bertoni
Caron Collister
Cathy Harvey
Janine Porter
Susan Wertenberger

Altos

Diane Seith
Julie Spencer
Nancy Spencer
Adrienne Terleck
Ruth Williams
Barb Ziegler

Tenors

Dave Brunner
Lynn Rhodes

Basses

Dave Weaver

**TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra – Rick Fortney, Conductor
Kathryn Bates, Concertmaster**

Violin I

Kathryn Bates, Concertmaster
Diane Spence

Flute

Cathy Graves
Susan Richardson
Susan Wrbanek

Violin II

Ingrid Askenbeck
Nadine Kodysz

Oboe

Kim Weaver

Viola

Marilyn Eble
Lauren Swartz

Clarinet

Fermin Quiñones-Villanueva

Cello

Ravi Bates
Joan Wojcicki Fortney

Trumpet

Ron Kuntz
John Wrbanek

(Bob and Mary Lou Fortney Chair)

Kimberly Taylor

String Bass

Drew Postel

Chamber Orchestra Manager

Joan Wojcicki Fortney

Percussion

Clarence Barber

Chamber Orchestra Music Librarian

Diane Spence

Ushers / Greeters: Bill & Cathy Hamilton

Holly Kowalski

Lora Mosier

Janet Parker

Audio / Visual: Jay Knox

Upcoming *TrueNorth* Concerts, 2025-2026 Season: Avon Lake Presbyterian Church, 7:30 pm Concerts

Saturday, December 20 th	Christmas Concert
Saturday, February 14 th	Season of Love
Saturday, March 21 st	Pre-Spring Concert
Friday, April 3 rd	Good Friday Concert
Saturday, May 16 th	Patriotic Concert <i>Celebrating America's 250th Anniversary!</i>



The TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra collaborates with the **TrueNorth Chorale** and other soloists with multiple concerts throughout the year. The Chamber Orchestra presents a wide array of programs primarily focused on classical music, but many performances each year offer very unique programming. The Chorale and Chamber Orchestra have produced and hosted concerts to raise awareness and funds for various causes throughout the years, such as cancer awareness, hunger, and various national crisis events honoring our fallen heroes and supporting those who suffer.

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