



The Songs We Carry

An American Journey in Music

Presented by
The TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra

Rick Fortney, Conductor / Artistic Director
Diane Spence / Concertmaster

Saturday, November 7, 2026 @ 7:30 PM

Avon Lake Presbyterian Church
32340 Electric Blvd

Free-Will Offering

Some songs entertain us.
Some songs remind us where we came from.
And some songs stay with us for a lifetime.

WITH SPECIAL GUEST NARRATORS

Greg Violand and
Maryann Nagle Violand

Join us for an evening of music that travels
through the American landscape, from the energy
of the dance floor and the traditions of Appalachia
to the longing for home, the promise of a new
morning, and the simple wonder of being alive.



THE MUSIC

Hoe-Down
Aaron Copland

Let the River Run
Craig Hella Johnson, arr.

Blackberry Blossom
Traditional

Light of a Clear Blue Morning
Dolly Parton / Craig Hella Johnson, arr.

Appalachia Waltz
Mark O'Connor

The Water is Wide
Traditional / Craig Hella Johnson, arr.

Deep River
Traditional / Mark Hayes, arr.

"American" Quartet
Antonin Dvorak

**I love you /
What a Wonderful World**
Craig Hella Johnson, arr.

Come listen for the songs that have been waiting for you.