



Kent United Church of Christ

*AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING, ACCESSIBLE TO ALL, W.I.S.E.,
and CREATION JUSTICE CONGREGATION*

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 25, 2026

10am

BELLS

PRELUDE

The Way of Peace

Anthony Giamanco

GREETING

Rev. Amy Gopp, senior minister

INTROIT

This is the Day the Lord has Made

Marty Haugen

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Donna Hess, liturgist

When familiar roads are blocked
and the way forward feels uncertain,

God's light still shines, revealing the truth of where we are.

When the world feels heavy with fear and confusion,

Christ draws near, calling us to follow.

The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light—

A light that gives clarity, courage, and direction.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Amy

*CLOSING HYMN Insert

Come With Me Into the Journey

ROSS

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Amy

*POSTLUDE

Fantasy on "In Babilone"

Richard A. Williamson

The postlude signifies the end of worship. Please refrain from applause and feel free to depart.

***Our service has ended. Now our service begins.
You are the Body of Christ, and the whole world awaits you.***

*The flowers today are an offering from Judy and Ralph Kletzien
in loving memory of Peter Damon Kletzien.*



Christ Be Our Light

VERSES

Bernadette Farrell



1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for truth, we turn to you.
2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for hope, man-y de-spair.
3. Man-y the gifts, man-y the peo-ple, man-y the hearts that yearn to be-long.



Make us your own, your ho-ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
Your word a-lone has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv-ing voice.
Let us be ser-vants to one an-oth-er, mak-ing our king-dom come.

REFRAIN



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark-ness.



Christ be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

COME WITH ME INTO THE JOURNEY

Chris Shelton

ROSS
Mark A. Miller



1. Come with me in - to the jour - ney; come and
2. Come and serve the poor and hun - gry. Come and
3. Come, stand by as friends for - sake me; come, where



see where I a - bid. Come, for I am
hear our neigh - bors' cries. Come and stand with
I am laid in earth. Come, but do not



there a - mong you; come, my arms are o - pen
me for jus - tice. Come and see, the dead will
fear the shad - ows; come, for I will bring new



wide. Come and feel the wind that's blow - ing.
rise. Come and help me turn the ta - bles.
birth. Come, the prom - ised day is dawn - ing.



Come and taste the bread and wine. Come and
Come, speak truth to all we meet. Come, the
Come and see, and come and dare: dare to



go where Word meets ac - tion; come and live
feast of life is read - y; come, and I
trust that I am lead - ing; dare to trust



this Way of mine.
will wash your feet.
that I am there.



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11:15am

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Cleveland Chamber Choir

Gregory Ristow, artistic director



Friday, February 6, 7:30 p.m.

Cleveland's premier professional choir presents "Love in Bloom", an enchanting evening of music inspired by romance and nature, including music by Benjamin Britten, Tōru Takemitsu, Eric Whitacre, Morten Lauridsen and Brandon Waddles.

Kent's Theodore Roosevelt High School Choir will join the performance, as part of the choir's continuing commitment to education and providing invaluable experiences to future generations of musicians.

Charles Edward McGuire, PhD, from Oberlin College & Conservatory, will present a pre-concert talk 45 minutes prior to the performance.

Admission is FREE

A free-will offering will be collected.

Rutter Requiem
Saturday, March 28, 7:00 p.m.

Gabriel Lane & David Lawrence
Saturday, April 25, 7:00 p.m.

*All performances are in the sanctuary of Kent United Church of Christ
1400 E Main St, Kent, OH 44240*