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TRUENORTH CULTURAL ARTS PERFORMS DOWN A COUNTRY LANE Event on Saturday, October 26 at 7:30 pm at Bay United Methodist Church

Bay Village, OH – The TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra will be performing a Fall Concert titled **Down a Country Lane** on Saturday, October 26, 7:30 pm at Bay United Methodist Church is located at 29931 Lake Road, Bay Village, OH 44140, the southwest corner of Bassett and Lake Roads. This is a non-ticketed performance, a love offering will be taken to help defray concert expenses.

The Concert features Symphonic Tone Poems and Countryside Songs as we welcome in the autumn season. The TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra will present **Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun** Symphonic Poem by Claude Debussy; **Finlandia**, Op. 26 Tone Poem by Jean Sibelius, and **Down a Country Lane** by Aaron Copland. The TrueNorth Chamber Orchestra and Chorale will present **Frostiana**, Seven Country Songs by Robert Frost set to music by Randall Thompson.

The TrueNorth Chorale sings a wide range of literature ranging from the masters to the contemporary, sacred and secular, musical theatre and patriotic. **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.

Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun, a Symphonic Poem by <u>Claude Debussy</u> is considered a quintessential example of musical <u>Impressionism</u>. The Finlandia tone poem, *Finlandia*, Op. 26, is one of the most famous orchestral works by the great Finnish composer Jean Sibelius. It was written in 1899 as the last part of a cycle of symphonic pictures dedicated to the Finnish printing festival. Sibelius felt it was his duty to express this protest through music. *Down a Country Lane* by Aaron Copland is a quiet, peaceful work. On June 29, 1962, *Life Magazine* featured Aaron Copland's composition *Down a Country Lane*. The piece was commissioned by *Life* in hopes of making quality music available to the common pianist and student; it was then orchestrated and premiered on



November 20, 1965. *Frostiana, Seven Country Songs* by Robert Frost set to music by Randall Thompson features seven of Frost's poems that celebrate the countryside and people of New England as they were at the time of the commission. All of the poems except for *Choose Something Like a Star* are from one book of Frost's poems, *You Come Too*.

Come join TrueNorth, Saturday, October 26th, *Down a Country Lane, TrueNorth Fall Concert*, as we celebrate the changing colors of the seasons through this glorious music.



TrueNorth is a multidisciplinary arts organization committed to building and strengthening individuals and communities through the performing, visual and the literary arts. Our vision is two-fold: To educate, equip, and empower individuals so they can embrace and succeed in the creative arts; and to envision and encourage communities where creative arts and art appreciation flourish. To learn more visit www.TNCArts.org

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