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TRUENORTH PERFORMS PRE-SPRING CONCERT OF LIGHT Event on Saturday, March 15 at 7:30 pm at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

Avon Lake, OH – Avon Lake Presbyterian Church will be hosting the *TRUENORTH PRE-SPRING CONCERT OF LIGHT*, on Saturday, March 15th, 7:30 p.m. Avon Lake Presbyterian is located at 32340 Electric Blvd, just west of Jaycox on the north side of the street. This is a non-ticketed performance, a love offering will be taken to help defray concert expenses.

Pre-Spring ... Before the season of Spring ... Celebrate the last week of our cold Ohio Winter which we have endured through glorious music celebrating the season of light with the TrueNorth Chorale and Chamber Orchestra! Under the direction of Founder and Artistic Director Rick Fortney, joined by equity actors Maryann Nagel Violand and Greg Violand serving as narrators.

The Chamber Orchestra will be featuring oboist Meredith Bradley and Kim Weaver in Antonio Vivaldi's *Concerto in DO Maggiore*. The strings will also be featured, performing Vivaldi's *Concerto in D Major* featuring violinists Kathryn Bates and Jim Parry, and cellists Jordan Alegant and Joan Wojcicki Fortney. The Chamber Orchestra and Chorale will be performing Morten Lauridsen's *Lux Aeterna*. Each of the five connected movements in this choral cycle contains references to "Light," assembled from various sacred Latin texts. In a Q&A with Morten Lauridsen ... Q: 'What is the most beautiful sound for you?' ... A: 'A large chorus singing softly, on a beautiful lyric line, with deep meaning ... that causes our hearts to break with its beauty.' We agree Come experience and enjoy!

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.

Come join TrueNorth, Saturday, March 15th, *TRUENORTH PRE-SPRING CONCERT OF LIGHT*, as we celebrate the season of light, preparing for Spring, through this glorious music.



Remaining Concerts after Christmas ...

Tenebrae Service, Holy Week 2025 Featuring Martin's **Song of the Shadow** Wednesday, April 16th, Grafton at Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church Good Friday, April 18th, Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

Holocaust Remembrance Day (at Bay United Methodist Church)

Thursday, April 24th Featuring Donald McCullough's *The Holocaust Cantata: Songs from the Camps*, Songs and letters written by Nazi concentration camp prisoners. Tribute to the victims and survivors of the Holocaust.

TrueNorth Patriotic Concert (at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church)

Saturday, May 17th Featuring Mack Wilberg's *Four American Hymns*; John Rutter's *Battle Hymn of the Republic* and *When the Saints Go Marching In*; Jack Halloran's *America the Beautiful*, and of course *God Bless America*. In addition, the Chamber Orchestra will perform Morton Gould's *American Salute* and John Philip Sousa's *Stars and Stripes Forever* closing the concert with joy and hope for our future!



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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