

## **Announcements for 12.22.19**

**TrueNorth Merch** | We have some great TrueNorth branded items to choose from for those on your gift list. Make sure to grab something for yourself, too! We have coffee mugs, ornaments, journals, hoodies and sweatshirts. Visit the desk in the atrium to make your purchase.

**December 23 & 24: Christmas at TrueNorth** | Our Christmas Eve Services will be at **6 and 8pm on December 23** and **1, 3, and 5pm on December 24**. Invite cards are available in the atrium for you to use as a tool to invite your family and friends to join us for one of these identical services. Children in grades 1-5 will also attend the service. Ages six weeks to 5K will attend their age-specific areas in TrueKidz.

**For the One Christmas Offering** | The mission of TrueNorth is to lead people into a passionate relationship with Jesus Christ. We want to know Jesus and make him known. For 15 years, the words of Jesus in Luke 15:4 have defined who we are and what we are about: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them—what do you do? You leave the other ninety-nine sheep in the pasture and go looking for the one that got lost until you find it." We have pursued this calling passionately and God has blessed us with thousands of changed lives. Our mission is leading us to expand our campus "for the one." Therefore, our Christmas offering will be designated toward our For the One Campaign. Please prayerfully consider how you can help us continue to reach the one. You can give on Sunday mornings with our provided Christmas Offering envelopes or online at [truenorthchurch.com/give](http://truenorthchurch.com/give), just be sure to designate "For the One" or "Christmas Offering."

**December 26: Celebrate Recovery** | Celebrate Recovery is a ministry that celebrates God's healing from life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups. CR will meet on **Thursday at 6pm** instead of Tuesday Christmas week, and then resume their regular meeting time on Tuesday, December 31.

**December 29: Church at Home** | The Sunday between Christmas and New Year's Day is historically our lowest attended day of the year, so we are going to do church a little differently this year. We have decided not to have our normal service times on Sunday, December 29. Instead, we are offering a Church at Home Online Service and we encourage you to gather your family and friends and experience this service together. You can access the Church at Home Online Service **on or after December 29 at 9am** through our website or Facebook page.

**Year End Giving** | The TrueNorth Church office will be closed from December 24, 2019 through January 2, 2020. For tax purposes, **end of the year tithes/gifts must be received in service by December 24 or postmarked by December 31** to 1297 W. Martintown Road, North Augusta, SC 29841. You may also text the amount you want to give to 803.335.1194 or give online at [truenorthchurch.com](http://truenorthchurch.com) by December 31.

**January 12: Baptism Class** | If you have recently become a Christ follower or have not expressed your faith publicly, we invite you to participate in **baptism on Sunday, January 19**. We ask that anyone who wishes to be baptized, please attend a Baptism Class on **January 12 at 9:00am, 10:45am, or 12:30pm in the Blue Room** of the atrium. No registration needed for this class. If your child is in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade or under, please call the church office (803.279.1555) to make an appointment to meet with our children's pastor.

**January 12: Group Connect** | Do you need to take your next step of connecting with others in community? Group Connect is an event where you can meet people with the goal of joining or starting a Journey Group. **Stop by anytime between 6:00-7:00pm**. Staff members and group leaders will be on hand to help you navigate through the process of meeting others and getting you connected in a small group.