#### **TANZANIA**



Join us this month to celebrate our relationship with the Lutheran church in Tanzania and with our sister congregation in Usokami have been an important part of sharing God's love and Grace with the world.

### **Secondary Student Scholarships**

Since 2004, FOC members and friends have sponsored 401 Usokami secondary students.

During the current school year Family of Christ is supporting 5 boys and 9 girls.

Providing scholarship support for these students is a great investment toward a brighter future for them, their community, Tanzania and Africa.

The 2025 FOC scholarship goal is to raise \$8400 which covers the cost of room, board and education (\$615) for an entire year.

Any size donation will help reach the \$8400 financial goal and is such a generous gift.

Scholarship donations are due TODAY in order to reach Tanzania for the school year.

#### **Iringa Hope Micro-Finance Project**

In 2019 We began to partner with Iringa Hope, an organization that raises funds fand administrates microfinance loans. **Iringa Hope** uses a unique Model to deliver agricultural financing, marketing, and training to smallholder farmers in Tanzania.

The organization develops self-governed and self-sustaining member owned and operated cooperative societies that help to alleviate poverty and empower entrepreneurs. Microfinance loans are made to small businesses and farms with an average loan of \$300.

#### **Medical Scholarship**

The Tanzania Medical Scholarship team is sponsoring two medical students:

- Keneth Temba who is in his final year of a 3-year of an Optometry diploma program at the MVUMI Institute of Health Science.
- Justice Bwisco who is in his 3rd year of a 4-year radiography training at Makerere University in Uganda.

**Envelopes for the Tanzania ministries are available on the Tanzania display table or from the ushers.** 

### 2024 Tanzania Mission Trip Quilt Raffle

AND THE WINNER IS.....Savang Hendrickson! The \$665 raised from the quilt raffle will go towards the 2024 Family of Christ Mission Trip to Tanzania. Pastor Brent, Ann Mikiska & Tami Maddio will

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on October 30 through November 11. They will be visiting the Usokami Church, six preaching points, the Ilula Hospital, Lutheran Secondary Schools where FOC's sponsored students attend and various other locations.

Please keep them in your prayers!



The church office will be closed from Wednesday, October 30 through Thursday, November 7th.

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#### October Mission of the Month Tanzania Ministries

Bega Kwa Bega is the phrase we use to describe our companion synod relationship with the <a href="Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania">Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania</a>.

In English, the phrase means 'shoulder to shoulder' and describes the way in which we accompany one another in a

spirit of mutuality, inclusivity, and vulnerability. Through the work of this partnership and the leading of God's Holy Spirit, we envision deeper faith and fuller life, accompanying one another as participants in God's ongoing mission in both America and Tanzania.

Our partnership supports the Illula congregation, secondary school students, medical school scholarship and Iringa Hope micro financing.

#### All Saints' Sunday—November 3rd

Many of us have experienced great losses in the last couple of years and others of us remember those who have been gone for a long time. Join us on November 3<sup>rd</sup> during worship as we spend time publicly lifting up those who we trust in God's grace filled hands.





#### **Sunday School**

Join us Sundays as we continue another great year of Sunday School. We leave worship during the last song. We meet in the MPR for a little bit of singing, dancing, and bible story video, then break into classes to learn about our bible story and that we are all loved by God.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month is Youth Sunday. The kids will sing a song during worship. Our song on November 10<sup>th</sup> is "Radical God".

#### Wednesday Night Schedule

6:00pm: Pizza Dinner

6:20 - 7:40pm: Confirmation 7:40 - 8:40pm: Youth Group



#### **Confirmation and Youth Group**

Oct. 30: Dinner, Confirmation, Youth Group Nov. 6: Dinner, Confirmation, Youth Group Nov. 13: Dinner, Confirmation, Youth Group Nov. 20: Dinner, Confirmation, Youth Group



# Women's Bible Study Monday, November 4th

The November Women's Bible Study will be held at 10:00am on Monday, November 4th at Family of Christ.

All women are welcome! Invite a friend.



#### Join us on November 10<sup>th</sup> for a visit from Martin Luther.

After 500 years he's still looking great and has a fascinating message to share during worship.