October 25, 2026

October Mission of the Month

Tanzania Ministries

Bega Kwa Bega is the phrase we use to describe our companion synod relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. 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, Dignity for Daughters , and Iringa Hope micro financing.

Weekly Education Opportunities Continue for the 2026 - 2027 Year!

Adult Education Hour

Adult Education is running Listening Sessions for the next few weeks. Join Pastor Brent in the conference room to imagine our future and share your thoughts on how we should shape FOC in the future.

Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study continues to meet on Tuesday mornings at 7:30 AM. You can come in person or via an on-line link. Contact Pastor Brent for more information.

FOC Kids & Youth

Sunday School is every Sunday at 10:35 unless noted.

Confirmation & Youth Group meets every Wednesday beginning at 6 PM

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study continues on the first Monday of the month at 10 AM. Next session is 11/2. Study will be on Hagar, Ruth, and Mary Magdalene. Contact Linda Bartz with any questions.

We celebrate today the Affirmation of Baptism with the following Youth:

Maddie Lulloff
Hadley Worm



Please join us in celebrating afterwards in the fellowship area for some cake, coffee, and lemonade.

The flowers on the altar were donated by the Worm family for today's celebration.



Listening Sessions continue

Join us Sundays after worship from 10:45-11:30 for some listening sessions as we vision for the future. We ask that you join us for one of these sessions and share feedback as to how we can better serve God and one another in our Christian journey. No prep necessary, but we'd like everyone's thoughts.

Art Show in the Fellowship Area

Local Artist Kitty Soderberg has put several pieces of her art in her Fellowship Area. Come and see her art today, Oct 25th before they are all gone! All pieces have been donated to our Tanzania Student Scholarships and can be purchased for a suggested donation of $100. Contact Kitty if you are interested in purchasing.

Anyone who has purchased an art piece can take them home after worship on today.



FOC Kids

Get a snack after worship and head down the MPR to sing a song and then head to your classrooms.

Next Singing Time: Sunday, November 8th - "Down in my Heart"

FOC Youth

Youth Programming returns to normal again this week on October 28th. Pizza dinner for Youth & Adults optional at 6:00, 6:20 head into the santuary to kick off the night.

Next Youth Sunday: November 8th, are you signed up to volunteer? And remember, we need an acolyte EVERY Sunday, so sign up to fill a spot!

Dates to Remember

Sunday, November 1: All Saint's Sunday/Daylight Savings Time Weekend
Monday, November 2: Women's Bible Studay
Wednesday, November 18: Community/Together Night



Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee #836

Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine!

I Love to Tell the Story #661

I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.

Refrain
I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story:
how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it,
more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard
the message of salvation
from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

Borning Cry # 732

"I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized
to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell."

"When you heard the wonder of the Word
I was there to cheer you on;
you were raised to praise the living Lord,
to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme
from dusk till rising sun."

"In the middle ages of your life,
not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night,
complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in
and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been,
with just one more surprise."

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