

Dear Friends of the Spring Turkey Dinner,

Miracles do happen with the help from all of you. For this second year of living with the challenges of the global pandemic our "Prayer and Pledge Drive", in lieu of the annual Augustus Lutheran Church Spring Turkey Dinner / Craft & Vendor Fair, is once again initiated for Dr. Stephen and Jodi Swanson and their family whom we have supported for several years as missionaries in the healthcare profession in Tanzania. We want to continue to help support them in their wonderful work to train Tanzanian health professionals, develop a neonatal care unit, and establish a feeding program for malnourished children. Through their tireless efforts they have successfully increased the infant survival rate to 93%, making it the highest in the underdeveloped areas of Africa. Another cause for rejoicing is that Dr. Evelyine Mushi, who has worked with Dr. Swanson for the past three years, received the ELCA International Leaders Program scholarship to study Pediatrics in South Africa for 4 years. The Swansons are not only working to save lives but also to nurture leadership which will ensure their legacy and the future of Tanzanians for many generations to come.

Because of the ongoing pandemic, we need to look to members and friends of our congregation and the community to support the ministry of our pediatric missionaries. Would you prayerfully consider being a part of a global Christian community with a financial contribution, a faithful prayer, or both? No contribution is too small, even praying goes a long way! **ALL DONATIONS RECEIVED BY 10/31/2021 WILL BE**MATCHED by two generous gifts: a generous gift from **Pastor Kochenderfer** (up to \$1,000), and a generous gift from **Pastor Martha and**Pastor Howard Kriebel (up to \$1,500). So, every dollar you contribute will be increased two and a half-fold!

On behalf of the Swansons, the Augustus Women of the ELCA, and the Christian community at Augustus Lutheran Church, we would like to thank you in advance for your support. For your convenience, you can make your contribution by one of the following two ways:

- 1. Donating online at <www.augustustrappe.org>. Just follow the "DONATE" prompts under the "GIVING" tab. Don't forget to add "WELCA-Turkey Dinner" and your phone number in the comments box.
- 2. By mailing-in your financial commitment. Checks and money orders can be made out to 'Augustus Women of the ELCA'.

  Additionally, please write "Turkey Dinner" on the memo line. Send your donation to the following address to ensure your donation is delivered to the applicable location:

