

INTOUCH

March 20, 2011

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – MARCH 20

12:30 PM Nursing Home Ministry meets in Fellowship Hall
 2:00 PM Nursing Home Ministry serves at Osborn Health & Rehab.
 1:00-10 PM ARIZONA CITYFEST Tempe Town Lake
 3:00 PM **Choir Concert** Sanctuary
 Camelback Bible Sanctuary Choir & Arizona Christian University Chorale
 4:30 PM EXCEL meets to go to CityFest @CBC
 4 & 5:00 PM Children's Bell and Voice Choirs 206 and 207
 5:00 PM CBC Ringers 208
 6:00 PM Sunday Evening Prayer Library (205)

MONDAY – MARCH 21

7:00 AM Teleios: *Women's Prayer and Bible Study* Family Room
 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing" Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM Community Bible Study Fellowship Hall and Classrooms

TUESDAY – MARCH 22

9:00 AM Teleios: Women's Precept *Study of Jeremiah* 207
 6:30 PM Elder Board Meeting Library (205)
 6:45 PM Teleios: *GriefShare, "Why?"* Family Room

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 23

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch" Fellowship Hall
 5:30 PM Sanctuary Bells (Adults) Sanctuary
 5:30 PM Elder Prayer Senior Pastor's Office
 6:45 PM LOGOS Kids Club Classrooms
 6:45 PM EXCEL Junior High Fellowship Hall
 6:45 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room
 6:45 PM Teleios: *The Best Offense is a Good Defense* Family Room
 7:00 PM EXCEL High School Small Groups meeting at homes

THURSDAY – MARCH 24

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil" Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM Young Adults Ministry Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY – MARCH 25

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off" Fellowship Hall
 6:30 PM Pre-concert Lecture by Dr. Tom Bookhout Sanctuary
 7:00 PM Scottsdale Musical Arts Concert Sanctuary
St. John's Passion

SATURDAY – MARCH 26

10:30 AM Messianic Bible Studies 209

SUNDAY – MARCH 27

8 AM -12:30 Blood Drive Blood Mobile east of Fellowship Hall
 9:00 and 10:40 AM MORNING WORSHIP Sanctuary
 Pastor Ron Elwardt

"A Harvest of Righteousness"

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

9:00 AM Nursery (birth – 23 months) 301-304
 9:00 AM Children's Discipleship (24 mo – gr. 6) 101-103, 201, 203, 206
 9:00 AM Adult Fellowship Classes 208, 209
 9:00 AM Teleios Study: *Christian History . . .* 207
 10:40 AM Nursery (birth – 23 months) 301-304
 10:40 AM Children's Church (24 mo. – gr. 6) 101-103, 201, 203, 206
 10:40 AM Teleios Study: *Understanding Islam* 207
 10:40 AM Teleios Study: *Heartfelt Forgiveness* Family Room
 10:40 AM Teleios Study: *Parenting Foundations I* Library (205)
 3:00 PM Organ Duet Concert Sanctuary
Dr. Guy Whatley & Dr. Samuel Metzger
 4 & 5:00 PM Children's Bell and Voice Choirs 206, 207
 5:00 PM CBC Ringers 208
 6-8:00 PM EXCEL Junior High and High School Fellowship Hall
FUEL: Dinner, Teaching and Worship
 6:00 PM SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER Library (205)

The Peaceable Kingdom

A Collaborative Concert between
 the CBC Sanctuary Choir and
 the Arizona Christian University Chorale

Today at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Free.

In the summer of 1935, the League of Composers commissioned the 36-year-old Harvard graduate Randall Thompson to compose a new work for the combined Harvard Glee Club and Radcliffe Choral Society. Inspired by the famous series of paintings of the same name by American Quaker Edward Hicks, Thompson set to work on a large-scale piece he titled *The Peaceable Kingdom*. Like Hicks, Thompson was drawn to the theme that the wicked will be destroyed and the righteous will go to heaven.

Thompson began by first reading all 60 chapters of Isaiah, and then he selected passages that represented well God's treatment of the righteous and of the wicked. He then composed the music for the eight-movement work that the choirs will perform in this afternoon's concert.

The Peaceable Kingdom is remarkable for its vivid passages and visceral musical setting of those texts. The first scripture we hear is from Isaiah 3, and sets forth the overall theme of God's care of the righteous and judgment on the wicked with appropriately contrasting music:

Say ye to the righteous, it shall be well with him:
 for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.
 Woe unto the wicked! It shall be ill with him:
 for the reward of his hands shall be given him.

The next four movements offer an uncommonly frank and occasionally shocking picture of God's destruction of the wicked, highlighting several passages from Isaiah rarely set to music, such as:

Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil;
 that put darkness for light, and light for darkness;
 that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

. . . but they regard not the work of the Lord,
 neither consider the operations of his hands.

The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as a great people;
 a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together;
 the Lord of Hosts mustereth the host of the battle!
 They [God's army] come from a far country, from the end of heaven—
 even the Lord, and the weapons of his indignation—
 to destroy the whole land.

Howl ye; for the day of the Lord is at hand.

Then, God's glorious mercy is poured out on those He calls righteous! After God has purified the land, His generous blessing flows onto His people.

Ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace:
 the mountains and the hills
 shall break forth before you into singing,
 and all the trees of the fields shall clap their hands.

Ye shall have a song and gladness of heart!

Thompson's composition concludes with ever-increasingly spacious tones, portraying the reality of the never-ending rapture, peace, and rest the righteous shall enjoy in eternity with Christ. In the end, the reward of the wicked will be the pain and crushing weight of God's wrath; but the righteous will get to eat of their fruit, which is the boundless, endless and all-freeing joy and peace of God's presence in His kingdom forever and ever.

BEING GENEROUS! WITH OUR HOSPITALITY!

We are privileged to be hosting the Master's College Chorale of Santa Clarita, California. They will be joining us in worship on Sunday morning, April 3rd and singing a concert at 3:00 PM that afternoon in our sanctuary. It is our privilege and blessing to house these 55 college students! So please take this opportunity to extend Christian hospitality and contact Tammie Valencia in the church office (602-955-6370, Ext. 112 or tammie@camelbackbible.org) to host two to four (or more) of these young college students overnight Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd. No evening meals need to be provided. They will be delightful guests and very appreciative of your hospitality. More details will be forthcoming but your response now is important!

THE 21 DAYS OF GENEROSITY CHALLENGE: As you give daily, you can record what you're learning about your experience on the 21-Day Generosity Challenge by emailing Pastor James- hoxworth@camelbackbible.org. Again, as we live generously, we are reminded that it is out of the gratitude of what Christ has done for us that we give of ourselves to the work of Christ in our city and world!

THIS AFTERNOON, EXCEL WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE ARIZONA CITYFEST! Meet at CBC at 4:30 PM (bring \$\$ for dinner). We'll be home about 10:30 PM.

THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 25 AT 7:00 PM, THE SCOTTSDALE CHORAL ARTISTS will present the *St. John Passion* of Johann Sebastian Bach. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear these words sung to sublime music this Easter season. NOTE: At 6:30 PM there will be a pre-concert presentation by Dr. Tom Bookhout on the way in which Bach's music reflects the meaning of these words. Tickets for the concert are \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors/students; 18 and under are free. Tickets are available on line at www.scottsdalemusic.org and at the door.

IMPORTANT – BLOOD DRIVE NEXT SUNDAY! From 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM the United Blood Services Blood Mobile will be here (east side of Fellowship Hall) to take our life-saving blood donations. There are two ways to sign-up: Call Kris Pitrat at 602-799-0330 or go online to www.bloodhero.com/index.cfm?group=registration. All donors in March will be entered automatically to win one of 25 pairs of tickets to see the Arizona Diamondbacks take on the Chicago Cubs.

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 27TH, GUY WHATLEY AND SAMUEL METZGER will present a duet organ recital at 3:00 PM, of four hands and four feet on one organ, featuring music from all styles and periods. A sure treat for the eyes and the ears!

JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! Next Sunday, March 27th, you all are invited to **FUEL** from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in Fellowship Hall for dinner, teaching and worship. It will be a terrific evening together in fellowship with each other and the Lord! Friends are welcome; bring yours along!

PARENTING FOUNDATIONS I, a three-Sunday series of great value to new parents and parents of young children, will be held beginning next Sunday, March 27th and ending on April 10th. *This class is a pre-requisite for parents wishing to dedicate their child if they've not dedicated a child previously at CBC.* But parents who have dedicated previously are encouraged to take this class as well! Please call the office to sign up as soon as possible this week.

DESERT BELLS SPRING CONCERT/AUCTION is a terrific event to help raise financial support for Desert Bells International (the acclaimed handbell organization founded and led by our own Kay Cook, with the help of husband, Tom Cook). This year's event, to be held on Saturday, April 2, 2011 from noon to 3:30 PM in our Fellowship Hall includes: *Dining With da Vinci*, an appetizer-introduced, six-course meal of Italian fare, accompanied by an auction and musical presentation by three of her handbell groups – Cactus Wrens (the little guys and gals), Bronzeworks (her outstanding teenage group), and Scottsdale Handbell Ensemble (the adult group). Adult tickets are \$20; Seniors over 60 and Children 12 and under are \$15. Call 602-494-7464 for information about those and Family Tickets. And please RSVP by March 20, 2011 to Desert Bells International, PO Box 22013, Phoenix AZ 85028, 602-377-6239 or 602-810-1959, or tcook@desertbells.org.

NEWS FROM JAPAN

Our man in Japan, Don Toth, has been diligent about keeping us posted as to his situation and the general conditions in his area, about 180 miles from the evacuation zone (and 170 miles from Tokyo). He is safe but dealing with the aftermath along with the entire country. Food and gas supplies are depleted and hard to come by, but, so far, he is OK. By God's grace, He has found opportunities to minister to three families within his apartment building, by providing milk for their small children and food as he is able and it is needed (his friends and fellow missionaries – from Germany – were called home and he has access to their food and supplies). And through this God may well be opening doors of opportunity that previously were closed. Please pray for his continued ability to be of help where needed (including the high impact areas) and God's use of him in drawing people to Christ. His ability to help and minister Christ would be greatly increased by our financial help. To do so, please make out checks to CBC with a note attached indicating it is to go to the ministry of Don Toth in Japan.

HELP FOR THE JAPANESE

We also have news of an excellent way to provide general financial assistance through a Christian ministry active in Japan: *Friends with the Voiceless International*, a part of DNA, works with churches throughout Japan, including areas most heavily affected by the earthquake and tsunami. 100% of donated funds will be used to bring strategic relief to earthquake victims through the ministry of these churches as they reach out and help their effected neighbors as a demonstration of Christ's love.

If you feel led by the Lord to make a contribution, you can do so by credit card on the DNA global website or you can send a check payable to: Disciple Nations Alliance, 1110 East Missouri Avenue, Suite 393, Phoenix AZ 85014. Please include a note with the check that indicates it is for Japan earthquake relief.

SEASON OF SERVICE CONTINUES! We have been invited to join volunteers from Machan Elementary School on the morning of April 9 to participate in a neighborhood clean-up project. Machan was one of our first stops during the Season of Service last year and we were blessed to have a student, Sebastian, join us at a worship service with his family last fall. If you would like to hear more about the plans for April 9, please email don.swierenga@cox.net for further details.

A PASSOVER CELEBRATION, complementing our Holy Week observances, is planned for Saturday, April 23rd, at 10:30 AM in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10 and are available in the church office or by calling Rabbi Paul Saduskyj at 602-295-9815. Seating is limited, so do obtain yours as soon as possible.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL . . . SUMMER SEAQUEST . . . JUNE 6-10, 2011 The hours will be 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM (Monday-Thursday), 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM (Friday) immediately followed by the Closing Program and Family Festival! Set sail with us on a life-changing VBS voyage! Each action-packed day includes skits, contests, Bible stories, crafts, music, recreation, games, snacks and more! Cost is \$20/child, \$40 maximum/family, \$7/T-shirt. Go to www.cbcaz.org/vbs to register.

VOLUNTEER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL This is the major Children's Ministry outreach into our community each year. There are many ways to volunteer including: Classroom (teaching), Admin/Office Work, Crafts, Decorations, Music, and Recreation & Snacks. Please consider prayerfully whether God would have you serve. If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Jason at 602-955-6370 or doughty@camebackbible.org. Thank you!

S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! COFFEE, Saturday, April 2, 2011, 10:30 AM (Library/205) In May 2007, the Elders at Camelback Bible Church asked Brent Klontz to serve the junior high and high school youth and families of the church and commissioned him to make an impact for the Kingdom of God in the Phoenix area. Join us to hear Brent's personal testimony and receive an update on his work with our youth. A light brunch will be served.

CBC GIVING TO DATE, 2011

Last Week's Giving	\$ 21,676.00
March Giving to Date	\$ 40,775.00
Year to Date Giving	\$ 216,652.00