

INTOUCH

November 20, 2011

THANKSGIVING MORNING AT CBC

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 20 *Harvest Sunday*

9 & 10:40	Angel Tree (a traditional CBC ministry)	The narthex
12:30 PM	Nursing Home Ministry	meet in Fellowship Hall
2:00 PM	Nursing Home Ministry	serve at Osborn Health & Rehab.
4:15 PM	CORPORATE PRAYER	Fellowship Hall

5:00 PM

A Hymn of Thanksgiving

*A special program of readings and music celebrating Thanksgiving
The CBC Sanctuary Choir*

6:45-8:30 PM EXCEL Jr. High Small Group not meeting/serving tomorrow eve.
6:45-8:30 PM EXCEL High School Small Groups The Quick's & Pitrat's homes

MONDAY – NOVEMBER 21

7:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Prayer & Bible Study	Library (205)
9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing"	Fellowship Hall
5:15 PM	EXCEL Jr. High meet at the Collins' home; serve at Neighborhood Min.	
7:00 PM	Community Bible Study	Fellowship Hall and Classrooms

TUESDAY – NOVEMBER 22

9:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Precept Study in <i>Hebrews</i>	207
6:45 PM	GriefShare Recovery Support Group	Library (205)

WEDNESDAY – NOVEMBER 23

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch"	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells	Sanctuary
6:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Rehearsal Room

THURSDAY – NOVEMBER 24

THANKSGIVING DAY

7:15 AM *Warm-up*
8:00 AM *Turkey Bowl*
Flag Football Game at Phoenix Country Day School

10:30 AM
Family Gathering of Praise and Thanksgiving
Fellowship Hall

12:15 PM
Thanksgiving (Potluck) Dinner
Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY – NOVEMBER 25

All Day Office Closed

SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 27

8 AM-12:30	Fall Blood Drive	Blood Mobile, east parking lot
9 & 10:40	Angel Tree (a traditional CBC ministry)	The narthex
9:00 and 10:40 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	Sanctuary
	Dr. Tim Savage	
	<i>"A Christian Father"</i>	
	Psalm 16	
9:00 AM	Nursery (birth – 18 months)	301-304
9:00 AM	Children's Discipleship (19 months – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
9:00 AM	Adult Fellowship Classes	208, 209
9:00 AM	Teleios: <i>"The Plan" Sermon Discussion</i>	Fellowship Hall
10:40 AM	Nursery (birth – 18 months)	301-304
10:40 AM	Children's Church (19 months – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>Shepherding a Child's Heart</i>	209
10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>Generous Justice</i>	207
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)

*Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song.
Come, let us bow down in worship,
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;
for he is our God
and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.
Psalm 95:1, 2, 6-7*

As has become our much-loved tradition at CBC, we begin our national day of Thanksgiving by joining together as family, the family of God Camelback, coming before Him with thanksgiving and extolling Him with music and song.

What better way to start the day than with our brothers and sisters in Christ, offering praise and thanksgiving to our Maker and the Rock of our salvation?

But first, for those who might like an opportunity to wake up, get the cobwebs out, and burn off some calories before the day's feasting, we start the day with our traditional early morning flag football game, the **CBC Turkey Bowl**. It's the "older" men vs. the "younger" men in a friendly, long-standing rivalry for which the win column over the years is hotly debated! Men, come join in the fun across the street at Phoenix Country Day School's sports field and find your appropriate team (honesty is a must!). The game begins at **8:00 AM, but come early for prayer, warm-up and practice!** Bring the whole family. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and exercise – if not bodies, at least lungs!

The morning continues back on campus in Fellowship Hall at **10:30 AM**, with the highlight of the entire day for all who come: a **Family Gathering of Praise and Thanksgiving**. This informal (casual dress) hour of worship – through favorite songs, hymns, Scripture, and personal expressions of praise and thanksgiving to our God – provides a most meaningful way to start the celebrations of the day. Together as the family of God, we take this opportunity to offer our individual praise and thanks to Him, the Giver of every good thing, and together celebrate His gracious and merciful goodness to us all. It is a time that brings great glory to our Lord and enormous encouragement to our hearts.

And added last year as part of our tradition is a **Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner** following the Family Gathering, around 12:15 PM, for all, especially those without other dinner plans for the day – a family dinner here! Roast turkey and beverages will be provided; traditional side dishes are needed, as is an RSVP to Mardette Hemann (see the back for more details).

Come! Make this a part of your Thanksgiving celebration and tradition, and . . .

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!*

Psalm 100:4

A Hymn of Thanksgiving

*"It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
to declare your loving-kindness in the morning, and your faithfulness by night..."*

You are invited to a special program of music and readings celebrating Thanksgiving today, Sunday, November 20th at 5:00 PM. Our Sanctuary Choir will present songs of thankfulness from such well known composers as Aaron Copland, John Rutter, and Mack Wilberg. We will hear recitations on thanks-giving from the Bible, our history, and our literature. What a wonderful opportunity for each of us to be reminded of all the wondrous things we have to be thankful for through God's great provision. Invite your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers and fellow students.

CORPORATE PRAYER – one of the most important things we do – is being held at 4:15 this afternoon in Fellowship Hall. Do come and join together in approaching our holy God with humble hearts. As was true of our Lord and Savior, ours is an intimate relationship with God the Father and prayer is a privileged aspect of that intimacy. He desires to hear from us, and promises to hear, delight in, and answer.

MEN – TEENAGE AND UP IN AGE! Come out Thanksgiving morning for flag football across the street at Phoenix Country Day School. We'll warm-up starting at 7:15 AM and play ball at 8:00 AM. It's a great way to kick-off the day and burn a few calories ahead of time! Family and friends, come along and add to the festivities – a cheering section is wanted and needed as the young take on the not as young! "Winners" and "losers" (and cheering section), do come over to Fellowship Hall after the game and join the rest of the CBC family as we all gather for a corporate time of praise and thanksgiving in song, in prayer, and with individual expressions of gratitude to God.

THANKSGIVING DAY POTLUCK Dinner: No plans Thanksgiving Day! Join your church family for a morning of praise and thanks (10:30) followed by a traditional dinner (12:15). The roast turkey and beverages will be provided but the "fixins" are needed! Bring something traditional to share to Fellowship Hall and we'll keep it warm, cold, whichever. This is a great opportunity for all of us to share the love of Christ with those away from home and with one another. For questions and to RSVP (please do RSVP!), contact Mardette Hemann at mhemann@cox.net or phone 602-957-1438.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY JACKET DRIVE – Status: 25 jackets collected. Our goal: 85 more jackets to meet our goal of 100 jackets for children in need through our partnership with Neighborhood Ministries. To participate, stop by the wardrobe rack that is located on the patio this morning and will be next week. **Final day of donation will be next Sunday, November 27th.**

OUR TRADITIONAL ANNUAL GRAPEFRUIT PICKING to provide Christmas gifts to Navajo families in northern Arizona is scheduled for Saturday, December 3rd, from 9:00 AM to noon. The gathering place is the Vucurevich home at 3637 East Colter Street (just five minutes from the church). Breakfast will be served and snacks provided throughout the morning. All are welcome – husbands and children of women attending the Women's Christmas Brunch, be sure to come! The more hands on hand, the more grapefruit gets picked. If you have a friend that would enjoy this fun outdoor project, invite them. It is fun and provides a much-appreciated touch of love. Call Heidi Vucurevich with questions and let her know you'll be there, 602-955-7297.

Changed

*Changed from glory to glory is God's great plan for me
Not just what I can do but what does He want me to be*

*Each circumstance each person He sends into my life
Is expected to prepare me for one more joy or strife*

*If he wanted to inform me He could have sent anyone
But He wanted to conform me and so He sent His Son*

*Not just as an example of what His Love can do
But as the very method of transforming me and you*

*Are you going to let it go to waste this everlasting Love
Or be changed from glory to glory by His power from above?*

by Tina Hudson

Women's Christmas Brunch

Saturday, December 3, 2011 at 10:00 am

Christmas Unwrapped

"...you will find a baby wrapped in clothes and lying in a manger"
Luke 2:12

Ladies, you are invited to our CBC Women's Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 3rd. Bring all the women in your life – family members, friends and neighbors to this wonderful outreach event. We are planning a time of worship, fellowship, food, and a Christmas message from our own Suzy Kuhlman. Tickets are \$5 and currently available on the patio each Sunday and in the office (scholarships are available). We will be serving a buffet-style brunch, with homemade Christmas cookies always a delight! Reserved seating is available for anyone requiring special assistance.

Questions? Nancy Whalen at 602-677-5263 or ncwhalen@cox.net
Want to help? Mischael Liggett at mrlafl@cox.net
Bake homemade desserts? Lesli Savage at lsavage3@cox.net

Contributions to help with the cost of the morning are always appreciated. Please consider a donation in addition to your normal giving. Thank you.

IMPORTANT BLOOD DRIVE – Next Sunday, November 27, 2011 – 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM! Be *A Hero* for someone who cannot live without you! To sign up, call Kris Pitrat at 602-799-0330 or go to www.bloodhero.com (Sponsor code: CBC!)

ANGEL TREE MINISTRY provides a powerful opportunity to share Christ's love by helping to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the families of prisoners. The Angel Tree has been decorated with Angel tags listing the names of children of prison inmates and gift suggestions for each child. The suggested gifts are in the \$15 to \$20 range. The tree will be in the narthex today and next week, November 27th. Just select an Angel from the tree, fill out the tracking slip, and leave it in the basket on the Angel Tree table. Return unwrapped gifts by December 4th. If possible, provide a gift bag to fit the gift. We will also have sign-up sheets available for those who want to participate in the Angel Tree program by: bagging gifts; attending the party we will have for them and visiting with the children and families; providing food or rides for the party; and/or delivering gifts to the families who do not attend the party.

LOGOS THANKSGIVING BREAK, Wednesday, November 23. Club resumes on Wednesday, November 30.

SUNDAY GRADE 4-6 CLASSES (9:00 AM and 10:40 AM) CHRISTMAS BREAK includes Sundays, November 27 through January 1.

FOOD COLLECTION FOR CAMELBACK HIGH SCHOOL: our outreach to Camelback High School through their Food Bank, involves our monthly donations of food. Pick up your bag TODAY and return it filled with food next Sunday, November 27th. Find the CBC trailer parked by the Sanctuary! Food items requested (normal grocery store sizes, not bulk size, please): Spaghetti Sauce, Saltine Crackers, Peanut Butter, White Rice, Canned Chicken, Shampoo, Conditioner, and Deodorant.

VOLUNTEER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE NURSERY on Saturday, December 24, 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM (identical services) This once a year evening brings many from the community, as well as the CBC family, and child care is an important aspect of our ministry and outreach, especially to our visitors who need to feel secure about leaving their children. Since we have two services, volunteers can serve at one service and still attend the other. No one need to miss out! Consider signing up as a family or small group; singles and couples too. If you would like to serve, please contact Carmen Benford, no later than Friday, December 16th at 480-8313-5059 or cbenford4@cox.net and let her know which service time you prefer.

CBC GIVING FOR NOVEMBER 2011

	Current Month/November	Budgeted YTD
Budget	\$139,750.00	\$911,875.00
Giving To Date	\$ 36,200.00	\$808,152.00
Last Week's Giving	\$ 19,133.00	\$ 19,133.00
Remaining Need	\$103,550.00	\$103,723.00