

November 2024



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Trenton Road Campus

Saturday Worship 5:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM

Sunday Worship: 9:00 AM

11:00 AM

Bible Study/Sunday School 10:00-10:45 AM

www.ctk.me

Financial	Snapshot –	Through	September	2024

INCOME (General Fund):	September 2024	Year To Date
Church receipts	\$ 120,516.84	\$ 1,123,236.83
Tuition	\$ 95,291.01	\$ 722,781.24
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 215,807.85	\$ 1,846,018.07
BUDGETED EXPENSES:	\$ 210,451.80	\$ 1,894,066.20
INCOME OVER/(UNDER) F	BUDGET	

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ACTUAL EXPENSES:	\$ 196,534.29	\$ 1.	784,736.46
INCOME OVER/(UNDER)	EXPENSE		•
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Thank you, CTK members, for you continued faithful stewardship. Paul wrote to the church in Corinth concerning giving to the Lord: "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:6-7). By continuing to practice Biblical stewardship, we are a part of God's plan to be a beacon of the Gospel in our community.





<u>In Memory of Evonne Bode</u>
<u>To CTK Music given by:</u>
CTK Staff
Larry/Marianne Brouwer
Jean Orvosh

In Memory of Jackie Derrick
To Memorial Fund given by:
M/M Mark Derrick
Judy Mongelluzzo

<u>In Memory of Beverly Hovis</u> <u>To Food Panty given by:</u> M/M David Koskela

<u>In Memory of Maynard Kirk, III</u> <u>To Memorial Fund given by:</u> Ann Taylor In Memory of Sylver Lienau
To Memorial Fund given by:
Kim Lienau

<u>In Memory of Robert Orvosh</u>
<u>To Alms given by:</u>
Jean Orvosh





Scrap Metal, Cans/Bottles & Capital Fund Drive Fundraising

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	Total_	(since 2006)
"C" Dollars	\$	1,089.00	\$ 1,380.00	\$ 897.00	\$	24,859.00
Scrap Metal	\$	2,470.83	\$ 2,925.99	\$ 1,833.50	\$	56,468.70
Bottles	\$	3,334.40	\$ 2,888.54	\$ 686.60	\$	45,146.84
Paper Recycle	e \$	40.52	\$ 52.26	\$ 28.25	\$	798.64
(As of:10/15/	24)					

This Month in CTK History



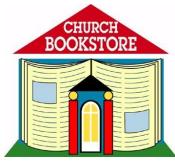
We, as members of Christ The King Church, have much to be thankful for, especially during this month when we celebrate Thanksgiving. We are thankful for our Pastors, our beautiful sanctuaries to worship in, and our fellow members in Christ. This is a look back at CTK history for the month of November.

- November 30, 1952 was a "RED Letter Day" for CTK. It was the day we organized as a congregation and was the closing date of the charter membership. The Charter membership had 46 members.
- Two ground-breaking events for CTK took place in November. The first was on 11/29/53, when ground was broken for a new building. The second ground-breaking occurred on 11/23/80 for the new Parish Center-Gymnasium.
- And finally, the new Sanctuary at the Pennsylvania Rd Campus was dedicated on November 22, 2015.

These are just some of the more notable events and happenings at CTK during the month of November. The above information has been collected from CTK Newsletters, meeting minutes, 50th anniversary booklet, and newspaper clippings. Hope you enjoyed looking back through the CTK archives and learning some of the history that makes Christ The King Church so special!

Psalms & Proverbs Bookstore

The bookstore will be gearing up this month for the upcoming Advent and Christmas season. Advent starts on December 1, 2024. It will be here before we know it! The bookstore will be stocked with books, Bibles, Advent calendars, Advent devotionals, small gifts, and jewelry for kids and adults. Check us out at the end of the



month for all your Advent and Christmas needs!

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- In Person
- Online: Scan the QR code to be directly sent to the online giving link.
- Online: Members may visit www.ctk.me and click on "MyCTK" at the top of the homepage to log in. Select "Giving" then "Give Now" to set up a one time or recurring payment.



- <u>Text:</u> Visitors/Members text 'CTKGIVE' to 73256 to receive a secured link.
- Mail: Mail to CTK, 15600 Trenton Rd., Southgate, MI 48195

ONLINE GIVING & TEXT GIVE OF TITHES/ CONTRIBUTIONS We are grateful for the opportunity to accept contributions online via MyCTK and through text giving. Just as a reminder, if possible, please use your banking account information, rather than a card number, to save on processing fees, which start at 2.6%. This cuts back on monthly expenses and, in turn, more of your gift goes directly to the mission of your church. Thank you for your faithfulness!





The church office hours are as follows:

Monday – Friday: 8:30am to 3:00pm

The offices will be closed on:

Thurs., Nov. 28 & Fri. Nov. 29

Thurs. Dec. 26 & Wed., Jan. 1







I Cor. 15:57

Jer. 2:13

7 WORD STATEMENTS FOR EVERY DAY OF NOVEMBER

	OF NO VENIDER	
1.	Cry to the Lord He will answer.	Ps. 34:15
2.	Alone we do littletogether, much more.	I Cor. 12:24-25
3.	Ignore distractions, refuel your spiritual tank daily.	I Thess. 5:17-22
4.	Remember, God's plans are better than ours!	Prov. 19:21
5.	Be confident, your creator will see you through.	Phil. 1:6
6.	When held in Jesus' arms, I'm restored.	Ps. 23:1-3
7.	The time's come to simply trust Him!	John 11:40
8.	In fearful times, Lord give us peace.	John 14:27
9.	Do not become hardened to spiritual truths.	Heb. 3:8
10.	Praise – the switch that turns on joy.	Ps. 47:1
11.	Don't talk about temptations, run from them!	II Tim. 2:22
12.	When gloom overwhelms, seek Jesus in prayer.	John 14:14
13.	Set aside your worries, Jesus resolves them.	Matt. 6:25-26
14.	Jesus, help us see your unexpected miracles.	Mark 8:25
15.	See the Lord's provisions in the blackest moments.	Ps. 46:1-3
16.	God's love always thinks of others first.	I Cor. 13:5
17.	Father God, make me more like you.	Phil. 2:13
18.	Train your mind to focus on good.	Phil. 4:8
19.	Like Lydia, open your heart and home.	Acts 16:14-16
20.	Use every technology to do God's work.	James 3:3
21.	Be sincere and respectfully create your adornments.	I Peter 3:2-5
22.	Don't panic over problems, turn to Jesus.	Rom. 15:13
23.	God's promises don't have an expiration date.	Ps, 145:13
24.	In Christ alone, my heart is sanctified.	Ps. 103:5
25.	Do God's tasks relying on His Spirit.	Zech. 4:6
26.	Trust the Rock that will never fail.	Ps. 18:2
27.	{Thanksgiving} God's our safe place today & for	orever!
		Ps. 37:4



28. In God our victories are already won.

29. Hurry to Jesus for His living water.

Spíritual Care Ministry



The Spiritual Care Ministry at CTK focuses on persons in the congregation who are hospitalized, confined to their home, reside in a nursing home, or may be recovering from a surgery in a rehab facility. Please let us know if you have a family member or friend who needs a visitation, where they will hear the Word and receive Holy Communion.

Harry Dutka (734) 285 9695 Ext. 150

hdutka@ctk.me

Jessica Bourassa Ext. 100 or jessica@ctk.me

Lisa Demou Ext. 210 or lisa@ctk.me

1,315 Spiritual Care visits from January 1 – Oct. 15, 2024



Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9:00am at PA Rd. in the Fellowship Center, classroom #7. Class is led by Nancy Kurtz. We are doing a topical study on the Holy Spirit.

Men's Bible Study

We meet each Wednesday at 8am at PA Rd in the Fellowship Center. Come join us!

Have a Heart Fundraiser 2025 Who can help?

Fellow members, we had such a huge response to the Have a Heart Fundraiser that we had in February, 2024 (in lieu of the 2023 golf outing), so much so that we'd like to do it again! Tentatively, we would have this event on Friday, February 28, 2025. All proceeds would benefit Children's Hope Chest.

We need 2-3 people dedicated to getting donations from local businesses, whether it be gift cards, gift baskets or other merchandise to use in gift baskets.

If you are interested in helping please contact Deanna Warrington, 313.505.1704; Jennifer Gepes, 734.775.1972; Cindy Burley, 734.752.2349; Joe Lambrecht, 313.805.4621





Oct. 14 BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone who was able to donate at the recent Blood Drive on October 14th. What a great Drive!! Over 90 patient's lives (in Florida) will be touched by your donations. The American Red Cross & CTK extends their heartfelt appreciation and support for donating an amazing gift.





<u>The Donation Station</u> is open on Thursdays from 12:00 – 2:00 and Saturdays from 10:00 -12:00. We are in need of baby clothes, jewelry, and all types of kitchen items. If you would like to help in this unique ministry, please contact carol@ctk.me or 734-281-3773.

59+ Group

Join us November 20th from 1:00-2:15 in the Cana Room at Tr. Rd. We will be having a Friendsgiving party. If you desire, please bring a little something to eat (whatever you want) for 10 people, but it's not necessary if you want to join us. We will be reminiscing about the good 'ole days. Everyone welcome!

GATHER AND GROW BOOK CLUB

This monthly-meet-up book club is a place for women of all ages (high school and older) to read Christian fiction and nonfiction, gather and discuss as a group, and grow in our faith together. There will be no November meeting, but we will still be reading! We will meet in December to discuss the book The Vanishing of Castle Moreau by Jaime Jo Wright. Please call the church office to register or to get on our Book Club email list.



EMIM Thank You

A big thank you to all that turned in the EMIM forms for volunteering. You will be contacted by the ministry lead before January for your perspective volunteer area. Don't know who the lead is? Contact Lisa Demou.



Day School News

I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. Psalm 9:1

November brings the change of school quarters. With one quarter of the school year complete, we have so much for which to be thankful. The first quarter of the school year was eventful! In September, we held our annual Fun Run. The funds raised will allow us save for our next renovation project and upgrade our student technology. In October, we hosted our sixth annual Trunk or Treat at the Pennsylvania Road Campus. We collected over 1,000 pounds of candy from our day school, local sponsors, and the congregation to distribute. We had over 1,000 people on the campus for Trunk or Treat. It was a glorious day!

As we begin quarter two, we are looking forward to our Veteran's Day celebration, Parent/Teacher Conferences, and our Christmas Program. We hope you'll be able to join us on December 11 or 12 for "Back to the Manger."

We are so very blessed to be your school, to be loved, supported, encouraged, and prayed for by you. Thank you for caring for us, lifting us in prayer, and participating in all we do. God has created a wonderful community at CTK. We are blessed to serve Him together.

God's Blessings, Dr. Kelli Kapp-Heifner





FAMILY & FRIENDS ALL WELCOME

Family Connection Ministry Friendsgiving

Please join us on Saturday, November 23rd from 11:30a.m. to 1:30p.m. at the Trenton Rd campus for a Friendsgiving Brunch! Please bring a dish to share and enjoy some family time and fellowship. We will have a special family service project following our meal. Families of all sizes and ages welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

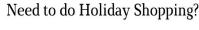
Saturday, December 14th or Saturday, December 21st - Birthday
 Party for Jesus - Cafeteria/West Gallery, Trenton Rd



Rooted in Christ Youth Group Presents







Have a Holiday Party to attend?



Want to wrap gifts with out little eyes?

Let the Youth Group entertain the kids!

Starting Black Friday through Dec 22nd

(Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday After Church hours)

Dec 6, 7 & 8 Dec 13, 14 & 15 Dec 20, 21 & 22



You must sign up! This is NOT a drop in!

Cost: \$10 per hour



Location: Penn Campus







HOLIDAY

NOVEMBER 9 • 10AM-4PM

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

16700 Pennsylvania Road, Southgate, Michigan

Over 50 Unique Crafting Vensors

WREATHES, BARN WOOD, TUMBLERS, ORANAMENTS, GIFTS AND MANY MORE!

This event hosted by



CTK Youth Group

THE ONLY CONTACT FOR THIS EVENT IS GINA DAVIDSON GMD.LWML@GMAIL.COM

CTK ROOTED Youth Group Presents

Sweetheart Dance

Kids (Girls & Boys) can bring adult of their choice!

\$30 per couple

February **8th**

6 pm 8 pm

CTK Pennsylvania Rd Campus Gym

Tickets can be purchased at the door

Snacks & Refreshments available
For more info or to purchase advance tickets:
Gina at gmd.lwml@gmail.com

Thermal Donations for ChristNet

It's that time of year again! We are in need of thermals for ChristNet to help keep the homeless warm during the winter season. Collection will be from Nov. 3 to Dec. 8. We can place donations in the collection bin by the Welcome Center. We are in need of all sizes, from medium-3XL for both men and women.

If any questions or concerns, please text or call Dawn Prim at 734-308-1853.



Mark Your Calendars 2025 Euchre Dates

Jan. 11, Feb. 15, Mar. 8, Apr. 5, May 17, Sept. 13 & Oct. 11



We play in the Upper Room at Trenton Rd, starting at 7pm SHARP! (Sorry, but we are unable to accommodate latecomers.) Cost is \$3 per person. Each player is asked to bring a beverage and snack to share. Partners are not necessary and guests are welcome. This is a FUN event and prizes are awarded. Questions? Contact Mike Shoup 734.624.4350 or blueknight007@hotmail.com



Advent By Candlelight: The women of CTK and their friends are invited to join us for an afternoon of fellowship, delicious food, and beautiful music and scripture readings, as we prepare for the birth of our Savior. Please join us on Saturday, December 7th at 1:00 P.M. for a special Advent by Candlelight event. We will begin with a special service, and then proceed to the West Gallery for appetizers, desserts, and coffee. We will not be assigning tables or table hosts, but there will be plenty of room for everyone to mingle and spend time with their sisters in Christ. We will have a sign up for appetizers and desserts. Please sign up online or at the Welcome Desk. We look forward to spending this beautiful afternoon with you! Please contact Jackie Brooks at jacquelinbrooks12@gmail.com.



Advent By Candlelight

Saturday, December 7th

1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

Christ The King Lutheran Church 15600 Trenton Rd Southgate, MI 48195

Schedule for the afternoon:

12:30 P.M.- Doors Open - Coffee and fellowship in the West Gallery
1:00 P.M. - Proceed to sanctuary for Christmas hymns and readings
2:00 - 3:00 P.M. - Dessert, coffee bar, and fellowship in the West Gallery

We will not be assigning tables or table hosts, but there will be plenty of room for everyone to mingle and spend time with their sisters in Christ.

We do ask that each attendee bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center or online.







Youth Group Calendar

3	Youth Group 6-8 PM
8-9	Vendor Show Set Up and Show
10	DRYC FriendsGiving @ CTK 5-7 PM
16	Nerf War with Gilead Youth Penn Campus 4-7 PM
17	Youth Group 6-8 PM
24	Youth Group 6-8 PM

Fundraising

- ⇒ November 9 Craft Show
- ⇒ Nov 29 (Black Friday) Dec 22– Fri, Sat & Sun - Babysitting
- ⇒ Jan Feb Super Bowl Subs
- ⇒ Feb 8 Sweetheart Dance
- ⇒ TBD Envelope Wall
- ⇒ Lent Dinners
- ⇒ TBD Spring Craft Show





Youth Group Babysitting for the Holidays
Weekends Beginning Nov 29th (Black friday)
Penn Campus
This is not a drop-in service!
Please contact Gina to arrange dates/times

Friendsgiving with the Downriver Youth Circui November 10 5-7 PM Penn Campus



Jesus & Donuts with Gina
Sunday AM Bible Study
Cana Room



Christmas Gift Basket Schedule

- Want to adopt a family? Please call (734-285-9695 x 210) or email <u>Lisa@ctk.me</u> anytime now until December 1st. (Keep in mind, we will not have any family information until after November 25th when the families start to call.)
- Names taken Monday, November 25 Sunday, December 8
- Toy Basket Assembly: Tuesday, December 17, 9-11:30am, East Gallery (volunteers welcome)
- Food Pickup from Kroger (9:00am) and Food Basket Assembly: Thursday, December 19th, TR Rd. Foyer (Narthex) area 11:30am (volunteers welcome)
- Basket Pickup: Friday, December 20th, TR Rd. Church doors (volunteers welcome)

Christmas Toy Basket Donations:

We are planning the need for Christmas assistance to be, once again, higher this year. The following donations would be greatly appreciated. All donations are very much appreciated and would need to be at the TR Rd. church office or in the marked bin in the West Gallery by the week ending **December 15**. Thank you so much!

- "\$5-\$10 gift cards from Dollar Tree, Meijer, Target, or Five Below (please bring to the church office)
- " Any small stuffed animals, toys, books, board games, barbies, action figures, craft kits, science kits, socks, hats, gloves, etc.
- "We will also have a need for teenage (up to 18yrs old) items, such as makeup items, gloves, hats, card games, socks, body soap, cologne, perfume, purses, etc.

If you would like to adopt a family, contact Lisa to get all your questions answered. Each family receives a food basket so items requested could be toys, coats, boots, shoes or clothes for the children or household items if the family is in need. Talk to me about dollar amounts and/or monetary donations.

Lisa Demou

Special Morship Services

Thanksgibuing Service

Wed Nov. 27 7:00 PM

<u>Advent Service</u> Dec. 4 3:30 & 7:00 PM Wed Dec. 4

<u>Children's Christmas Program</u>

Wed Dec. 11 1:30 & 7:00 PM

Thurs Dec. 12 7:00 PM

<u>Advent Service</u>

Wed Dec. 18 3:30 & 7:00 PM

Christmas Eve

Tues Dec. 24 5:00, 7:00 & 9:00 PM

<u>Christmas Day</u>

Wed Dec. 25 10:00 AM

<u>New Year's Eve</u>

Tues Dec. 31 7:00 PM





PLEDGE CARDS



Remember Your Pledge

This November

On November 17th, we will make a pledge to the Lord regarding our tithe to make to support His church. Pledge cards will be available starting November 3rd in the bulletin, the November Newsletter and can also be found online. For online pledges, visit www.ctk.me and click on My CTK on the top corner. After you log in, select My Pledge History found under during 2025. Pray to see the Lord's will in the commitment He wants you My Giving History and click on 'ADD PLEDGE'.

	Family								Weekly Giving	Ğ	ving				
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()	80,000	∨	1,538	↔	46	s	77	↔	\$ 108	\$	\$ 154	S	\$ 185	↔	\$ 231
↔	95,000	\$	1,827	\$	55	↔	91	↔	\$ 128	↔	\$ 183	↔	\$ 219	↔	\$ 274
()	\$ 115,000 \$	S	2,212	s	66	\$	\$ 111	↔	\$ 155	\$	\$ 221	↔	\$ 265	↔	\$ 332
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Address		My contribution to the work of the Lord's Church
City/State/Zip		in 2025 is: \$
After prayerful consideration, my 2025 financial steward goal will be:		Please retain this portion and place in your Bible or where you will see it to
		pray about your decision.
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GIVING BACK TO GOD		



We are doing a series in Sunday Morning Bible study on Paul's letters that he wrote to the first Christian churches. We usually call these letters the "Epistles." Four of these letters are known collectively as the "Prison Epistles," because Paul wrote them while he was in prison. They are Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon. Paul writes in Ephesians, chapter 4: "As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received." It's hard to imagine that Paul ever dreamed he would be a prisoner, but yet here he is. Sometimes we have seasons in our lives where we are doing exactly what we expected we would be doing, but sometimes, like Paul, we end up in situations that we never dreamed we would be in. God calls us to be His disciples in both. Paul says that he is a "prisoner for the Lord." We may not always understand why our life is unfolding around us as it is, but we can always ask God to use us to His good and to His glory wherever we are and whatever our circumstance. And when we ask God to use us, He will. Every time.

Seminary Update: I am just about halfway through this fall's Old Testament course. We just started focusing in on the prophets, which I am really excited for! I will be taking a trip to St. Louis this winter for a New Testament class, and then another one in the Summer, which is another preaching intensive. I am hoping to bring my family along on that trip again like we did last year! They had lots of fun in St. Louis, while I had lots of fun at the Seminary!

God's Peace, Pastor Brooks





FOOD PANTRY JOY

This thank you is directed to Mrs. Konkel, her devotion-writing students, and all who support the CTK Church and School Food Pantry. For a number of years, Mrs. Konkel's students have been writing devotions to be given to clients at The Pantry. The single page has a Bible passage, short student-written devotion, and a prayer.

Very recently, Don, one of the faithful volunteers at your Pantry, had a report from one of our clients. A woman told him that she was at a very low place in her life when she received food and the devotion at a Thursday distribution. She said that the reading of the page gave her hope. Of course, the devotion was about hope in Jesus!

I am thankful that Christ The King has a school!

With you in Jesus, Pastor Harry for "The 30" Volunteers



GriefShare



GriefShare – Newcomers are always welcome. Anyone interested can call Teresa Samson at 734.282.8012 for information. We meet Monday evenings from 6-8pm in the Upper Room. Please continue praying for this ministry.



Surviving The Holidays—Saturday, November 16th, Noon – 2pm, Trenton Rd in the Upper Room. This class will help give you the tools to get through moments for basically any holiday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2024

"TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY HE SHOULD GO. AND WHEN HE IS OLD HE WILL NOT TURN FROM IT." **PROVERBS 22:6 NIV**

vice Project



Thank you for supporting Sunday School's current service project benefiting the Children's Hopechest here at CTK. The October Bake Sale was sweet! We are look-Sales on November 17 and December 15.

Did you know?

Did you know? During the Bible Study hour, we have something for everyone! Parents with young children/infants who aren't ready to sit in a Sunday School classroom can go to the Parent & Toddler class. There is adult discussion, while the littles can play. Or, after Confirmation, students can continue studying God's Word with their peers with "Jesus, Gina and Donuts" in the Cana Room. All these classes follow the same curriculum, so families can continue the conversation on the car ride home!

COMING IN NOVEMBER

- The Gentile Cause- Jerusalem Council. Acts 15:1-14, 22-35
- The Unique Greek-Lydia Is Baptized. Acts 16:11-15
- The Unknown Revealed-Paul Preaches in Athens. Acts 17:16-34
- Bake Sale
- Preaching and Perils-Paul's Ministry and Hardships. Acts 20:1-12; 2 Corinthians 11:22-28



Keep informed



Just as a reminder, if you would like to join the CTK Sunday School Facebook page, contact the Sunday School office.

DOWN ACROSS l. The shepherd son of I. God made him out of Adam and Eve 3. Noah's floating home 2. Place where Adam and 5. King who fought Eve lived Goliath 4. Adam's wife in the 6. A person who wears a Garden of Eden crown 1 3 6

Pastor's Message

There is an abundance of evidence in God's creation of His design, complexity, and intelligence. I don't usually get into a battle of wits with an evolutionist; it's not fair to fight with an unarmed person. In the fall, trees tell the incredi-

God is Awesome!

ble story of God's creative genius. Photosynthesis is the process in which leaves use the energy in sunlight to split the molecules of water into oxygen and hydrogen. This incredibly complex process involves over 70 chemical reactions. It has never been duplicated in a lab, yet it is done automatically in a leaf by God's design. Pure energy destroys; it does not create order. But the leaf easily harnesses the energy of the sun and provides the very oxygen we need to sustain life. God also designed many leaves to fall this time of year. This process prepares the tree to "shut down" during the winter. But the leaves do so much more than just fall (making it difficult to find golf balls). When the leaves shut down, the roots stop pulling water. In effect the tree, full of water during most of year, is "drained" so that the expansion that occurs when ice freezes doesn't damage the tree. Then, in the spring, trees grow brand new "miniature solar panels" ready to get back to work! The book, "Inspired Evidence: Only One Reality" (Julie Von Vett and Bruce Malone) is a great source for us young earth creationists. So, when you see the leaves changing colors, don't just think, "That's beautiful." Remember to also say a prayer of thanks and say, "Our God is awesome!"

In Christ, Pastor Jason Cashmer

