



OLIVE KNOLLS
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



APRIL 12, 2026

PASTOR: KEVIN HARDY

Worship Sundays: 8:30 am and 10:15 am

Celebrate Recovery: Fridays: 1st Friday dinner 5:45pm;

Weekly: service 6:30pm

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WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We are so glad you are here today. If you need anything please contact a greeter in the lobby. They will be happy to help you. We hope you picked up today's sermon notes, found on the tables in the rear of the sanctuary. They will help you follow the morning message. Please take a moment to complete our **Connect Card**, with the **TAP app**, found on the back of the sanctuary chairs, so we know you joined us today. We have a small gift we would like to mail to you for visiting with us. We hope you enjoy your time at Olive Knolls.

The Struggle is Real



Life has a way of stirring emotions we don't always know how to handle—anger that flares up, anxiety that keeps us awake, grief that lingers, loneliness that weighs heavy, and guilt or shame that refuses to let go. Everyone is carrying something. In this series, we'll take an honest look at the emotional battles we face every day and discover how God meets us in the middle of them.

Sermon Title: Facing The Fire Within

Text: James 1:19-20; Eph. 4:26-27, 31-32

Anger is real and powerful, but when surrendered to God, it can be transformed from destructive fire into a force for righteousness, healing, and grace.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

FRIDAYS | 6:30 pm | Gathering Place
Preschool childcare available with reservation

YOUTH CONNECTIONS

SUNDAY
Junior High Group | 8:30 am | 2nd floor worship center
High School Group | 8:30 am | 2nd floor worship center
Breakfast Club | 7th & 8th grade
TUESDAY | 6:30 am | Starbucks on Calloway & Snow
Youth Group | 7th - 12th grade
WEDNESDAY | 6 - 8 pm | Gathering Place
Breakfast Club | 9th & 10th grade
THURSDAY | 6:30 am | Starbucks on Calloway & Snow
Breakfast Club | 11th & 12th grade
FRIDAY | 6:30 am | Starbucks on Calloway & Snow
Contact **Pastor Kyle**, kkrumstick@oliveknolls.com, for all Youth Group related questions.

CONNECT 56

SUNDAY
5th & 6th Grade | 10:15 am | Middle School Chapel
CONNECTING ON WEDNESDAY
5th & 6th Grade | 6-8pm | enter Gathering Place

CHILDREN'S CONNECTIONS

SUNDAY MORNINGS
Nursery - 4 th grade | 8:30 am & 10:15 am
Age appropriate activities for all children each week.
Contact **Katey Wood**, kwood@oliveknolls.com, with all Children's Ministry related questions.

Olive Knolls Church exists to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ by building an attractive community for our active reach as we **REACH, GROW, SERVE, and GO.**

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NEWCOMERS DINNER

Tuesday, April 21 | 6 pm
Are you new to Olive Knolls Church? We'd love to get to know you! Join us for a catered meal where you can get to know our pastoral staff and we can get to know you. It is a casual evening where the whole family is invited to come. Sign up on the **Connect Card - TAP**, if you will join us.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sunday, April 26th | 2 pm Shotgun Start
Riverlakes Ranch Golf Course
\$125 - Individual Golfer or \$450 - Foursome
4 Person Scramble Format
Funds support Youth Camp and Mission Trip.
Registration Includes: Green Fee, Cart, Range Balls, BBQ Meal, Beverages, Sleeve of Balls, Tees, Gift Bag, Entry into Long Drive Competition, and Two Closest to the Pin Competitions. We will also have a putting contest, top 3 team awards, and golf simulator game. Registration Deadline is 4/19. Use the **TAP-GOLF** to register. Contact Pastor Brent Kall, brentkall1@mac.com with questions.

PRIMETIMER POTLUCK

Monday, April 13 | 5:30 pm
All adults (55+) join us for dinner and fellowship. Invite a friend, bring a dish to share and, enjoy a wonderful time together. This month Lori Tolleson will be our guest speaker. Contact Pastor Chris Schwartz, cschwartz@oliveknolls.com, with questions.

KIDS CAMP INFORMATION MEETING

Sunday, April 26 | 9:45 & 11:45 am
Interested in sending your child to Kids Camp (June 22-25) or being a counselor? Join us Sunday, April 26th for a brief informational meeting. We'll meet upstairs in the Worship Center (look for the sign) after both services. Choose the one that works best for you. Camp is for current 2nd - 6th graders. Cost is \$350 per camper. Contact Pastor Katey, kwood@oliveknolls.com with questions.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY * RENEW

Monday, May 4 | 6-8pm
Pottery Night with Lollipots
Ladies 18 and older, bring a friend and join us for fellowship and a fun night of learning how to make pottery. Lollipots will be teaching us how to make our very own serving bowl. Don't wait to register, only 40 spots available. Registration closes once we're full or Thursday, 4/30. Use the **RENEW - TAP** to register. Registration Fee \$40. Limited scholarships are available if needed. For any questions, email Lori Tolleson at ltolleson100@outlook.com.

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OLIVE KNOLLS GROUPS * SPRING SEMESTER

Olive Knolls **GROUPS** offer an excellent opportunity to develop supportive friendships and deepen your faith as a disciple of Jesus. We have many **GROUPS** meeting throughout the week to connect, pray, grow, and explore the Bible together. **Our Spring Semester begins today through 6/14.** Get all the information and to sign up use the **TAP - GROUPS**. Contact Pastor Brent Kall, brentkall1@mac.com, with questions.

VBS * RAINFOREST FALLS

June 8-12 | 9 am - 12 pm
Rainforest Falls-Exploring the Nature of God
Kids 4 years - 5th Grade
Registration is Open. VBS is always the best week of the summer. Your kids won't want to miss it! Use the **TAP - VBS** to sign your kids up today. We are planning for 380 kids to attend. WOW! It's time to build our Volunteer Team. We need 60 Elementary Crew Guides & 32 Preschool Crew Guides to spend 5 mornings with 5 kids. No prep. We'll train you. Use the **TAP-VBS** to volunteer! Contact Jane Hardy, jhardy@oliveknolls.com or 410-925-4736, with any questions.

CORE CLASSES

Saturday, April 18 | 9am - 12pm
CORE Classes help you connect to Olive Knolls and deepen your walk with Christ. **101**-Discovering the Mission & Vision of Olive Knolls - An introduction to the values, beliefs, strategy and structure of the church-Pastor Kevin Hardy. **201**-Discovering My Spiritual Maturity - Topics: Daily Time with God, Prayer, Giving, Small Groups and basic disciplines of the Christian life-Pastors Rob & Debbe Songer. **301**-Discovering My Gifts & Ministry - This class will help you plug into ministry by finding your S.H.A.P.E. and area of service-Lori Tolleson. **401**-Discovering My Life's Mission - Become equipped to share your faith with confidence. Afraid to share your faith or not sure how? Learn strategies to make a difference in the lives of others-Pastor Diane Ussery. Breakfast is provided. Childcare is available but, needs to be reserved in advance. RSVP with the **Connect Card - TAP**.

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MONTHLY

Tithes & Offerings budgeted (4/01/26-4/30/26).....\$130,000
Tithes & Offerings received (4/01/26-4/05/26).....\$36,215

ANNUAL

Tithes & Offerings Annual Budget (9/1/25-8/31/26).....\$1,465,000
Tithes & Offerings YTD Budget (9/1/25-3/31/26).....\$895,000
Tithes & Offerings Received YTD (9/1/25-3/31/26).....\$915,186

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