



**OLIVE KNOLLS**  
CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

**MAY 3, 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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# worship

**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. Let's 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: Anxiety: Calming The Heart**

**Text: Philippians 4:4-9; Matthew 6:25-34**

Anxiety shrinks our world, but the peace of God grows in us when we trust the Father, bring everything to Him in prayer, and learn to live one day at a time.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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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## RAINFOREST FALLS VBS

June 8-12 | 9 am - 12 pm  
Kids 4 years - 5th Grade

**Registration is OPEN!** Join us for this summer event that guides kids in exploring the nature of God! VBS is always the best week of the summer. Your kids won't want to miss it! Invite all your friends. Use the **TAP - VBS** or go to the **Olive Knolls Event page/VBS** at [www.oliveknolls.com](http://www.oliveknolls.com) to sign your kids up today.

## RAINFOREST FALLS VBS VOLUNTEERS

Join our VBS Team. We need **60 39 Elementary Crew Guides** & **32 26 Preschool Crew Guides** to spend 5 mornings with 5 kids having fun and making friends. No experience needed. 3 year olds of volunteers can attend VBS. Rearrange your schedule and join our team. Use the **TAP-VBS** to volunteer!

**All VBS Volunteers** need to attend one Training Session (Sun., 5/10 @ 10 am, Tues., 5/26 @ 6pm or, Thurs., 5/28 @ 6 pm) and one All Volunteer Meeting on Sunday, 6/7 @ 4pm. Mark your calendar now so you don't miss.

## VBS SUPPORT

**VBS Prep Day** come cut, tape, assemble, sort, paint & more. Thursday, May 21 - 10 am-12 pm

**3 Decor Days** help assemble stand ups, hang backdrops, fringe curtains, hang signs and more to transform our campus into the rainforest. It will take a large crew to get the job done. June 3, 4, 5 from 10 am-3 pm. Come and go as your schedule permits.

Contact Jane Hardy, [jhardy@oliveknolls.com](mailto:jhardy@oliveknolls.com) or **410-925-4736**, with any VBS questions.

## ELEVATE

May 22 - 25

Students in 8th - 12th grade - COST \$250  
Nazarene youth from California, Hawaii & Arizona come to Point Loma Nazarene University for a weekend of fun, worship, sermons, sports, talent show & more! Contact Pastor Kyle Krumstick, [kkrumstick@oliveknolls.com](mailto:kkrumstick@oliveknolls.com) with questions. Get all the details and register with the **TAP-Elevate**.

## MENS BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 16 | 8 am

Men of all ages, join us for fellowship, food, worship and, the word. A \$5 suggested donation is requested. Use the **Connect Card - TAP** - to sign up. Contact Jim Pentico, [jimbired1@gmail.com](mailto:jimbired1@gmail.com), with questions.

## PRIMETIME POTLUCK

Monday, May 11 | 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. Contact Pastor Chris Schwartz, [cschwartz@oliveknolls.com](mailto:cschwartz@oliveknolls.com), with questions.

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## NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 17 | 5 pm

Join us as we gather with surrounding Nazarene churches for a night of worship and prayer right here at Olive Knolls! It will be a time of seeking the Lord and lifting him high together. We hope you come!

## CORE CLASSES

Saturday, May 9 | 9 am

CORE Classes help you connect to Olive Knolls and deepen your walk with Christ. **101** - Discovering the Mission and Vision of Olive Knolls with Pastor Kevin Hardy. **201** - Discovering My Spiritual Maturity with Pastors Rob and Debie Songer. **301** - Discovering My Gifts & Ministry with Lori Tolleson. **401** - Discovering My Life's Mission with Pastor Diane Ussey. Breakfast will be provided. Childcare is available but, needs to be reserved in advance. Use the **Connect Card - TAP** to RSVP.

## 2026 GRADUATES \* GRAD SUNDAY

Sunday, May 17

We're celebrating all of our graduates on Grad Sunday May 17th! We will honor students graduating from 8th grade, 12th grade, college, & graduate school. Graduates will be invited on stage to share what's next or what they've accomplished, followed by a prayer of blessing and a short video slideshow.

To Participate: Please send the following to [kkrumstick@oliveknolls.com](mailto:kkrumstick@oliveknolls.com) by **Sun., 5/10**:

- 8th Grade Grads: Current photo
- HS Seniors: Baby photo, current photo, & grad photo
- College & Grad School Grads: Grad photo

## YOUNG ADULTS @ OLIVE KNOLLS

Thursday, May 7 | 6:30 pm

Film & Faith Night - Chariots of Fire - faith, culture & rest in a non-stop world. Food & Drinks. Contact Pastor Jorgino, 619.510.2923, with questions.

## YA CAMP @ HEARTLAND CAMP

June 1-3

Ages 18-28

Young Adult Camp. Connect. Worship. Grow. Contact Pastor Jorgino Ortega, 661-510-2923 to get all the details.

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## MONTHLY

Tithes & Offerings budgeted (4/01/26-4/30/26).....\$130,000  
Tithes & Offerings received (4/01/26-4/26/26).....\$108,130

## 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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