



NOVEMBER 23, 2025

PASTOR: KEVIN HARDY

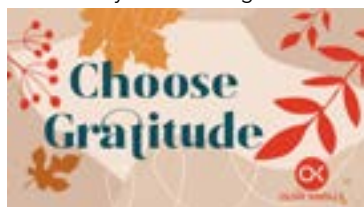
Worship Sundays: 8:30 am and 10:15 am
Celebrate Recovery: Fridays: 1st Friday dinner 5:45pm;
Weekly: service 6:30pm
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WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We are so glad you are here with us. If you need anything please find us at the Hub in the lobby. We 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**, on the tables in the rear of the sanctuary, so we know you worshiped with us today. We have a small gift we would like to mail to you for visiting with us.



Sermon Title: "Choosing Gratitude"

Text: Luke 17:11-19, 1 Thess. 5:16-18

Big Idea: As we enter into Thanksgiving week, Pastor Brent will explore a powerful story of healing and gratitude that challenges us to reflect on our own responses to God's blessings. As Jesus encounters ten lepers, only one returns to express his thankfulness, highlighting the importance of choosing gratitude in our daily lives. Today, let us explore how embracing a heart of gratitude can transform our perspective, deepen our relationship with God, and impact those around us.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

FRIDAYS | 6:30 pm | Gathering Place
Dinner served the first Friday of the month at 5:45 pm.

YOUTH CONNECTIONS

Contact **Pastor Kyle**, kkroomsick@oliveknolls.com, for all Youth Group related questions.

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

NO BREAKFAST CLUB THIS WEEK

Youth Group | 7th - 12th grade

NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK

Breakfast Club | 9th - 10th grade

NO BREAKFAST CLUB THIS WEEK

Breakfast Club | 11th - 12th grade

NO BREAKFAST CLUB THIS WEEK

CONNECT 56

SUNDAY

5th & 6th Grade | 10:15 am | Middle School Chapel

CONNECTING ON WEDNESDAY

5th & 6th Grade | NO CONNECT 56 THIS WEEK

CHILDREN'S CONNECTIONS

Contact **Jane Hardy**, jhardy@oliveknolls.com, with all Children's Ministry related questions.

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Nursery - 4th grade | 8:30 am & 10:15 am

Age appropriate activities for all children each week.

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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FOOD DRIVE

We're partnering with the Community Action Partnership of Kern (CAPK) Food Bank to support local families impacted by the government shutdown. From November 3rd-17th, bring nonperishable food items to the church foyer or office, or drop them at the OKCS main office.

OKCS GOLF CLASSIC

December 1, 2025

Olive Knolls Christian School is excited to announce our 2025 Golf Classic, taking place at the beautiful Seven Oaks Country Club. This annual event is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year, with all proceeds directly supporting school programs, educational opportunities, student activities, and campus improvements. We invite golfers of all skill levels to join us for a day of fellowship, fun competition, and community support. Sponsorship opportunities are also available for businesses, families, and individuals who would like to partner with us, ranging from hole sponsors to premium event listings. For details, contact Erin Furrh at 661-201-7920.

THE GIVING TREES OF CHRISTMAS

Monday, December 1 | 6:00 pm

Ladies (12+) Please join us for our annual Giving Trees of Christmas on Monday, December 1, 6-8 pm. Admission Entry (must be purchased in advance) - \$20/ person includes - 25 tickets for the drawings to win a fully decorated Christmas Tree; Charcuterie (sponsored by Urners); Dessert; Fun and Fellowship with friends; Christmas music; a message from our own Olive Knolls published author, Suzanne Gosslin; and the opportunity to be blessed by helping someone else have a better Christmas. Reservation must be purchased in advance.

PRIMETIME CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, December 8 | 11:30 am

All seniors are invited to a time of festive celebration, food, and fun! Pastor Chris will be providing tri-tip and bread, please bring a salad or a side dish. We will be doing a white elephant gift exchange. The gift should be something that you want to get rid of or regift to someone. Please don't go out and buy a new gift. The crazier the better!

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THANKSGIVING OUTREACH

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered this week by providing a roasted turkey and volunteering to serve in the kitchen or at KTH. If you have questions about serving times and days please contact the church office at (661) 399-3303. We have plenty of volunteers but, you can still participate by donating an offering to help with the expense of this ministry. You can give online at www.OliveKnolls.com under give - use the fund "Thanksgiving Outreach".

VBS 2026

June 8-12

Mark your summer calendar now!! VBS 2026 "Rainforest Falls - Exploring the Nature of God" is scheduled for June 8-12 from 9 am-12 noon. We are already planning for an incredible week. We hope you will plan now to be part!

DONATIONS UPDATE

Olive Knolls recently teamed up with CapK to collect food for those who could not provide for themselves. Olive Knolls collected 661 pounds of food, which translates to approximately 794 meals for families facing food insecurity in our county!

We also partnered with Salvation Army and collected over 1,300 pounds of goods and 6 carts of gently used clothing and essential household items, all of which will go directly toward helping individuals and families in crisis right here in our community. Thank you for your generosity!

BENEVOLENCE OFFERING

Today we will be taking a benevolence offering to help those in our congregation. We encourage all those willing to consider donating if able.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

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MONTHLY

Tithes & Offerings budgeted (11/01/25-11/30/25).....\$115,000

Tithes & Offerings received (11/01/25-11/16/25).....\$89,154

ANNUAL

Tithes & Offerings Annual Budget (9/1/25-8/31/26).....\$1,465,000

Tithes & Offerings YTD Budget (9/1/25-10/31/25).....\$210,000

Tithes & Offerings Received YTD (9/1/25-10/31/25).....\$235,331

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