

**We will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord.**

Psalm 78:4

HURRICANE WATCH

August 18, 2025

Week 3

Q1 Scholarship Payment Approval Needed

Step Up for Students has started funding scholarship accounts for the first distribution of Q1 funds. This means many of our NCA families should have been notified of the arrival of funds into your scholarship account. NCA then processes invoices as those funds arrive. Families are required to approve invoices each quarter which is completed through your EMA account. You will receive notification from Step Up for Students when you have invoices to approve. Please contact Mr. Mattes if you have any question about the approval process. Please note that not all of our NCA families have received their Q1 invoices yet. This process will continue over the next few weeks.

Academy Pictures

While many of our NCA students had their pictures taken during orientation on August 5, there will be a retake day September 9. This will be for any students who did not get their picture taken August 5 or need a retake. Retakes will start by 8:30 AM on September 9. See the attached flyer with details about viewing your child's pictures.

Daily Devotions

Is something troubling you? Are you overwhelmed? Stressed out? Take a time out and see what God's Word has to say about it. Did you know that you can get a daily dose of God's Word right on your computer or mobile device? WELS (our church body) offers a [daily devotion](#) delivered directly to your inbox. Each day's devotion includes the option to listen, which is a great tool for those of you commuting to work. You can subscribe online by clicking this [link](#).

Upcoming Events

<u>August 20</u>	K-8 Chapel, 8:15 AM Preschool Chapel, 9:00 AM Piano Lessons
<u>August 21</u>	Piano Lessons
<u>August 22</u>	No School
<u>August 24</u>	Worship, 8:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:30 AM Worship, 10:30 AM
<u>August 25</u>	Fall MAP Testing Begins
<u>September 1</u>	Labor Day, No School
<u>September 8</u>	Chick-fil-A Spirit Day
<u>September 9</u>	Picture Retake Day
<u>September 16</u>	Communicating Christ Class Begins, 7 PM
<u>Sept 15-19</u>	Parent/Teacher Conferences
<u>September 19</u>	Grades 3-8 Kickball Field Trip
<u>September 28</u>	Grades 3K-8 Sing during 10:30 Worship

Visit our website for a complete [online calendar](#).

Mission Offerings

Mission offerings to support Anchor Lutheran Church, a new church in Panama City Beach, FL.

This week \$27.72

Total \$27.72

Thank you for your generous support of this year's mission project!



Weekly Chapel Service

Did you know that NCA has a weekly chapel services on Wednesdays? Did you know you are invited to join us? We would love to have you stick around after drop off each Wednesday to join us for our K-8 chapel worship service at 8:15 AM. 3K and VPK have a separate chapel devotion later in the morning at 9:00 which preschool families are invited to attend.

Chick-fil-A Spirit Day

Save the date and mark your calendars for an NCA spirit day at our local Chick-fil-A (3800 Ehrlich Rd) on Monday, September 8! Mention Northdale Christian Academy when making your purchase and a percentage will be donated back to NCA. Additional details will be shared in future newsletters.

TADS Educate

NCA makes use of TADS for managing applications, enrollment, billing, and general student information. NCA also makes use of TADS Educate, an additional feature to manage attendance, grades, progress reports, and report cards. Returning NCA families should already have access to TADS Educate from last year. New families should have received an automated email on August 10 providing access information for TADS Educate. Please contact Mr. Mattes if you have any questions about accessing your online account or if you need your credentials reset. You can access the [TADS Educate login page here](#).

Volunteer Survey

NCA is looking for volunteers to consider leading or helping with various needs and events. You can use this online form to let us know where you'd like to serve. Please contact Mr. Mattes with any questions or for more information. Volunteer form: <https://forms.gle/RU6FGE1HqykSSZN26>

Communicating Christ Class

A new Bible Information Class will began on Tuesday, September 16. This class is for those wanting to know more about what we teach and believe here at Northdale Lutheran Church. The Tuesday night course is open to all, runs for 1 hour each Tuesday night at 7:00 PM, and babysitting is provided. Talk with Pastor Guse for more information: pastor@northdalelutheran.org or text/call 920-571-9000.

Piano & Guitar Lessons

Piano lessons will begin August 20. Families who signed up were sent an email of the lesson schedule. Piano lessons will reopen for second semester sign up in November-December. Guitar lessons will start later in the school year.

Extended Care Position Available

Northdale Christian Academy is hiring an additional aftercare supervisor for the 2025-2026 school year. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with school aged children and is available after school. The hours would be up to 3:00-5:00 PM, Monday-Friday depending on the age group served. Qualifications also vary based on the age of students being supervised. Compensation is based on qualifications and experience. Click here to access a [position description and application for employment](#). Printed copies are available in the office. Please contact Mr. Mattes directly if you are interested or have a referral.

Amazon Wish Lists

Each teacher has developed an online wish list through Amazon. The purpose of these lists is to highlight items that would benefit our classrooms and students which go above and beyond our budget. The links are provided here and in the classroom sections of this newsletter (pages 3-4). Thank you for considering this way to support our classrooms and students.

[Preschool \(3K and VPK\)](#)
[1st & 2nd Grade](#)
[5th & 6th Grade](#)
[Library](#)

[Kindergarten](#)
[3rd & 4th Grade](#)
[7th & 8th Grade](#)

Mission Project

This year's mission offerings will support our district's new mission in Panama City Beach, FL: Anchor Lutheran Church. This is one of our church body's 100 new missions in 10 years initiative. Students may deposit their mission offerings in the small church located by the receptionist's desk anytime during the week. This newsletter will be used to track mission offerings for the year. Thank you for your support of this mission project.

NCA Text Messaging

NCA uses Remind to send important updates, newsletters, and other information by text. Click on the link below to sign up for the 2025-2026 school year or text @nca25-26 to the number 81010.

<https://www.remind.com/join/nca25-26>



Classroom News August 18-22

Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK

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[Amazon Wish List for 3K & VPK](#)

What we're learning: We had an awesome first week! I'm very pleased with how well the preschoolers are adjusting to the schedule in just one week! This week we will be using Pete the Cat books to practice matching colors, matching quantities to 5 and glueing to make an art project.

Missing Clothing: One of our preschoolers is missing an Old Navy skirt, size 6. If it accidentally went home with your child, please return it to school and we will get it back to her. Also, if your child has borrowed any of the extra clothes at school, please wash and return as soon as possible so they can be ready if needed again. Thank you!

NO SCHOOL: There is no school scheduled this Friday, August 22.

Monday folders: Monday folders will go home for the first time this Monday. Please check them each Monday and return them in the tray in the entryway.

Homeroom: Check out our homeroom app for class pictures each week! <https://gethomeroom.com/i/59OPCSDH>

Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 1st & 2nd](#)

Memory work: Psalm 78:4 "We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord." (due Thurs. 8/21)

Spelling: 1st grade - Unit 1 - short a words - test on Thursday 8/21

2nd grade - Unit 2 - short e words - test on Thursday 8/21



Please Practice at home: tucking in shirts, buttoning and zipping shorts and slacks, opening and closing lunch containers, taking the top on and off of the water bottles for refilling, life skills, etc... 😊

Adding three more classes this week! Last week we were easing into our schedule, this week we will almost be at full academic load! We're adding Spelling, Daily Grammar Practice, and Social studies to our daily schedule.

Ask us about: (great conversation starters with your child about their day)

- How Zechariah 'told' his family that his son's name was John.
- How our morning author creates her book art - it's messy, but it looks like fun!
- What we do during "book box" time.
- Rainy day games.



Classroom News (Continued)

Mr. Haring's 3rd & 4th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 3rd & 4th](#)

Word of God (Roemhildt): *The Birth of Jesus; Jesus is Brought to the Temple*

Memory Work: Acts 4:20; Isaiah 43:11 (August 21)

Spelling: Unit 2 - pretest (mon); final (Thur)

Literature: Building stamina; Starting our first class novel, *Third Grade Angels* by Jerry Spinelli

Writing: Journaling

3 Math: Chapter 1: Numbers to 10,000

4 Math: Chapter 1: Working with Whole Numbers

Tech: (Roemhildt) We will be establishing Chromebook guidelines.

Reading Goals: A good reading goal for the school year is 40 chapter books per student. As a class, the goal will be a total of 720 books. Our class total has reached 6 chapter books for the year.

Calendar: The Cracker Country field trip is set for Friday, November 14.

Mrs. Guse's 5th & 6th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 5th & 6th](#)

Word of God: *Simeon and Anna; The Wise Men*

MW: Luke 2:10 (8/19); 1 John 4:10 (8/21)

Literature (Schroeder): *Wild Wings* by Gill Lewis

English: Week 1

Spelling: Unit 2- Pretest (Mon) & Final Test (Th)

Math 5: Chapter 1- Whole Numbers and Four Operations

Math C1: Chapter 1- Whole Numbers, Prime Numbers, and Prime Factorization

Science: Weather and Climate

Social Studies: Geography of the United States

Tech & Music (Roemhildt): We will be establishing Chromebook guidelines.

7th & 8th Grade Mr. Mattes dane.mattes@northdalelutheran.org
[Amazon Wish List for 7th & 8th](#)

Cell: 920-588-7599

Monday folders will be going home this week. Please review the contents and return the empty folder Tuesday morning.

Spelling: Lesson 2. The pre-test will be on Tuesday and the final test for those who need it will be on Friday.

English: DGP- Week 2 **Literature:** *The Giver* by Lois Lowry

Math: Course 2 is working with a review of place value and numerical operations Course 3 is working with variable expressions, integers, and absolute value. Algebra 1 is working with real numbers and real-world quantities.

Word of God: What is Truth?

Social Studies: The Soviet Union

Science: We continue exploring the structure of plant and animal cells. Our first quiz will take place later this week.

Tech & Music: In music we will be practicing reading rhythm patterns. In technology we learning about digital citizenship.



IT'S TIME!

YOUR PHOTOS ARE READY!

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