

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

Psalm 78:4

## HURRICANE WATCH

November 3, 2025

Week 13

### Christmas Service Participation Survey

We are looking forward to the 2025 Christmas season! The following is our plan for involving NCA students in celebrating Christmas this December. We will have two separate Christmas services:

- Grades 3-8 Thursday, December 18 at 6:30 PM at Northdale Lutheran Church
- 3K-Grade 2 Friday, December 19 at 11:00 AM at Northdale Lutheran Church (school is dismissed at noon for Christmas break)

All students in grades 3K-8 are invited and encouraged to participate in their respective services. Planning is underway and in order to adequately prepare, we need some information from you. We are asking all families to respond through the [online survey](#) so that we can accurately anticipate student participation. Please note that we will have a live streaming option on our YouTube channel which will also record each program. **Please complete one survey per family by Monday, November 3.**

### NCA Anniversary Celebration & Singing

As we thank God for the 25 years of Christian education, there will be a special worship service, meal, and program on Sunday, November 9. NCA students are invited to sing a prepared song during the 10:30 AM worship service. Pastor Charlie Vannieuwenhoven will be our guest preacher. He served here 2006-2020. Dr. Eric Brown will be a guest speaker during the program. He served as the founding principal 2000-2004.

### Upcoming Events

<u>Nov 1-21</u>	Food Drive
<u>November 3</u>	<a href="#">Christmas Service Survey Due</a>
<u>November 4</u>	Intramural Kickball, 3:20-4:30 PM Communicating Christ Class, 7:00 PM
<u>November 5</u>	K-8 Chapel: 8:15; Preschool Chapel: 9:00 Piano Lessons
<u>November 6</u>	Piano Lessons Intramural Kickball, 3:20-4:30 PM
<u>November 9</u>	NCA 25th Anniversary Celebration Worship, 8:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:30 AM NCA Sings during Worship, 10:30 AM Meal & Program to Follow
<u>November 11</u>	Veterans Day Program, 8:20 AM
<u>November 15</u>	NCA Chess Tournament
<u>Nov. 24-28</u>	Thanksgiving Break
<u>December 1</u>	<a href="#">Camping Trip Registration Due</a>

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.

Last week \$10.00

Total \$400.79

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



### **NCA Camping Trip**

There will be a family camping trip January 16-18, 2026 at Weeki Wachee Christian Camp. See the flyer on page 5 for more information. Register online by December 1: <https://forms.gle/zitUoxMDKct8heGS6>.

### **Veterans Day Program**

The students and staff of Northdale Christian Academy will be hosting a Veterans Day Program on Tuesday, November 11, 2025 from 8:20 AM – 9:30 AM. We would like to invite military veterans to bring in their service uniforms (you do not have to wear them) for display. We would like to have the children rotate from veteran to veteran in small groups to listen and learn about your service, uniform stripes, bars, stars, etc... (or medals, photos, or any other age appropriate symbols or memorabilia of your service that you would be willing to bring and share with us).

Set up your table display (coffee and treats) – 8:00 AM  
Children visit display tables and Veterans – 8:20 AM  
Please contact Miss Hardman if you can attend, are willing to bring things, or need more info. Call or text to RSVP: 813-464-5113. All are welcome to attend and show appreciation for our military veterans! Thank you for your service and for sharing your experience with us!

### **Change in Weather Dress Code Reminders**

As the weather brings cooler temperatures, now would be a good time to ensure your child has the necessary and dress code compliant apparel. Our full dress code can be reviewed on p. 23-24 in the [handbook](#) on our website: [NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org](http://NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org) > Resources > Documents. Here are a few highlights:

- If students choose to wear long sleeves inside the building, it must be the uniform jacket available for purchase through the [online store](#). Outside jackets are your choice.
- Shirts will be tucked in.
- Girls may wear plain navy blue leggings under shorts, skirts, or skorts.

Please label your child's jacket and other personal belongings. Feel free to speak with any teacher or Mr. Mattes if you have dress code questions.

### **Call News**

On October 15 Mr. Dane Mattes and Mrs. Joanne Mattes received divine calls to serve at St. John's Lutheran Church & School in Baraboo, WI. Mr. Mattes has been called to be Principal/teacher and Mrs. Mattes has been called to be a lower grade teacher. On October 19 Pastor Guse received a divine call to serve as Associate Pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Monroe, MI.

These calls come not because they were requested, but because the Matteses and Pastor Guse were considered among other candidates as a match for the needs of these respective ministries. Your comments and prayers are welcome as the Matteses and Pastor Guse consider where the Lord would have them serve.

### **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

We have been so richly blessed and are encouraging our families to share some of those blessings with those in need. We will be collecting non perishable food donations November 1-21. This year's food drive includes a friendly competition among our homeroom classes. The classroom with the most weight will win a pizza lunch and uniform free day. Each group has been assigned specific items.

- ❖ PreK: Canned vegetables and box or bag of stuffing
- ❖ K: Canned pumpkin and box or bag of mashed potatoes
- ❖ 1/2: Cranberry sauce and box or bag of cake mix
- ❖ 3/4: Canned fruit and box or bag of muffin mix
- ❖ 5/6: Canned yams and envelopes of gravy
- ❖ 7/8: Canned soup and box or bag of cereal

See the flyer attached to this newsletter for additional details.



# Classroom News November 3 - 7

**Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK**

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Cell: 920-588-7596

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

**What we're learning:** We will focus more on the life cycle of a pumpkin this week. We'll even try planting our own pumpkin seeds!

**Bible story:** #18 *David and Goliath* Please read the Bible story sheets that come home with your child each week. They love sharing the story they've learned with you!

**Thanksgiving Party:** On Friday, November 21, from 11:00am-12:00pm, families are invited to join us for a Thanksgiving party! We will eat our own version of a Thanksgiving dinner, make a thankful craft, and hear the kids sing a song about thankfulness. A sign-up sheet will be available in the next few weeks.

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

**Mrs. Mosakowski's Kindergarten Homeroom**

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[Amazon Wish List for Kindergarten](#)

**Memory Verse:** "...with man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." - Matthew 19:26

**Math:** This week we will compare Numbers to 10. Students will compare two groups by matching the objects to identify which group has more or less.

**Reading:** This week we meet our new superkid Lily. In this unit we will identify the letter L and the letter sound /l/. We will continue to practice blending letter sounds to make words.

**Science:** This week we will learn how plants make food, how they adapt and the life cycle of a plant.

**Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom**

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[aimee.hardman@northdalelutheran.org](mailto:aimee.hardman@northdalelutheran.org)

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

**Memory work:** Romans 1:17 "Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ." (due: 11/14)

**Spelling:** 1st grade - Unit 13 - initial consonant blends - test on Friday 11/7

2nd grade - Unit 14 - long *i* words - test on Friday 11/7

**Halloween Candy** - no more than 2 candies per day at school (anything more will be confiscated and not returned).

**Ask us about: (great conversation starters you can use with your child to ask about their day)**

- Jesus calms the storm and Jesus heals a man who can't walk
- People who work at our school and what their job entails (Social studies)
- How to 'eat' a poem
- Freckle fact practice (required on Mondays and Fridays)



# Classroom News (Continued)

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

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Cell: 517-202-7283

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

**Word of God** (Roemhildt): *Jesus Heals the Paralyzed Man & The Daughter of Jairus*

**Memory Work:** The Address [Nov. 7]

**Spelling:** Unit 11 - Pretest (Mon); Final Test (Fri)

**Literature:** Nonfiction: Comparing and Contrasting

**Writing:** Editing and Publishing Personal Narratives

**3 Math:** Chapter 4: Multiplication

**4 Math:** Chapter 3: Fractions

**Tech:** (Roemhildt) We will navigate Google Docs

**Books:** We have read 125 of our 720 class goal.

**Cracker Country:** Our field trip is next week Friday, November 14. I will reach out to those who wanted to chaperone later this week.

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

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Cell: 760-622-2161

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

**Word of God:** *The Young Man of Nain; Jesus Teaches About Love*

**MW:** John 11:25,26a(Tue); John 14:19b(Th);

8th Commandment(Fri)

**Literature** (\*Schroeder): *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell

\*Mrs. Schroeder will be out for a week or two starting Oct. 28 due to surgery and recovery. Mrs. Satorius will be subbing.

**Spelling:** Unit 12- Review week- No Spelling Test

**Math 5:** Chapter 3- Multiplying and Dividing Fractions and Mixed Numbers

**Math C1:** Chapter 3- Fractions and Decimals- Test on Thursday; Chapter 4- Ratio

**Science:** Astronomy

**Social Studies:** How and Why Europeans Came to the Americas

**Tech & Music** (Roemhildt): We will practice making presentations.

**7th & 8th Grade**

**Mr. Roemhildt** [daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org](mailto:daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org)

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[Amazon Wish List for 7th & 8th](#)

A field trip to iFly is scheduled for November 20. Please complete the permission form and [online waiver](#) by November 3 (see the October 6 email from Mr. Mattes).

**Spelling:** Unit 13

**English:** DGP- Week 11

**Literature:** Boy In the Striped Pajamas

**Math:** Course 2 will continue working on growing in solving word problems with algebraic expressions Course 3 will work on solving linear equations. Algebra 1 is coworking with residuals and lines of best fit. Our next topic will be discrete linear functions.

**Word of God** (Schroeder): On A Mission: A Study of Paul's Journeys

**Social Studies:** The Progressive Era

**Science** (Mattes): This week will start with propagating an African violet. Sexual and human reproduction will be coming up next. Please contact Mr. Mattes if you have any questions about the upcoming lesson content.

**Tech & Music:** In technology we will start developing presentation skills. In music we will practice sight singing by learning the solfege system of music notation.



# 2026 NCA Family Camping Trip

**Dates:** January 16-18, 2026 (check in 4:00-7:30 PM, check out 3:00 PM)

**Location:** Weeki Wachee Christian Camp  
7360 Erin Rd, Spring Hill, FL 34607

Nick and Angel Allan are organizing a family camping trip for all of us to enjoy a weekend together! We'll be staying at the Weeki Wachee Christian Campground, which is located directly on Weeki Wachee Springs, offering opportunities for swimming and fishing.

## Accommodations & Costs

The campground offers three options for your stay. Please note that these costs are approximate and may decrease depending on the number of families attending. These costs cover two nights.

- **Tent Site:** \$110 per family
- **RV Hookup:** \$120 per family (limited availability)
- **Women/Girls Cabin:** \$200 per cabin (sleeps 16)
- **Men/Boys Cabin:** \$200 per cabin (sleeps 16)

The costs cover the rental of shared facilities, including two pavilions and a dining hall. The cabins have bunk beds, with separate cabins for boys and girls. A \$25 nonrefundable deposit will be charged to your December 15 TADS invoice. The balance due will be applied to your January 15 TADS invoice.

## Amenities & Activities

The dining hall is fully equipped with a refrigerator, chest freezer, 10-burner stove, flat-top grill, and dishwashing sink. Feel free to bring your own food and use the kitchen to prepare meals.

For activities on the water, you can rent kayaks, tubes, and paddleboards from a third-party company that provides drop-off and pickup services.

## Important Information

- **Responsibilities:** Each family is responsible for their own camping equipment, food, and transportation, as well as the supervision of their own children.
- **Child Safety:** If you are tent camping with a child aged 7 or younger, a space heater is required for safety.
- **Cleaning:** All camping families are expected to help with cleaning efforts at the end of the event.
- **Camping Gear:** If you need to borrow camping equipment, please contact Angel Allan at 813-850-3718 to see what is available.

If you'd like to participate in this fun family camping experience, please complete this [online form](#) by **December 1**. Questions? Please contact Angel Allan (call/text 813-850-3718).

