

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

Psalm 78:4

HURRICANE WATCH

December 8, 2025

Week 17

NCA Christmas Services

Mark your calendars for the NCA Christmas services:

- ★ Grades 3-8: Thursday, December 18 at 6:30 PM
- ★ Grades 3K-2nd: Friday, December 19 at 11:00 AM

In order to keep the focus on the message of Jesus' birth, the following attire is recommended.

Boys: Nice shirt, dress pants or khaki slacks

Girls: Modest and appropriate length skirts or dresses, or nice shirt with dress pants

Academy uniforms are also acceptable - no shorts, please. December 19 will be a uniform free day for students in 3K through 2nd grade.

We will be live streaming on our YouTube channel where the recording will also be archived to view anytime. Here are the individual links:

[December 18, 6:30 PM Grades 3-8 Christmas Service](#)

[December 19, 11:00 AM 3K-2nd Grade Christmas Service](#)

For the grades 3-8 Christmas program on Thursday, December 18, students are asked to meet in the main school building no later than 6:10 PM, church doors will open at 6:00 PM. For the 3K-grade 2 program on Friday, December 19, the church doors will open at 10:30 AM. If you have any questions about the programs please ask your child's teacher. Thank you!

Christmas Break

NCA will be closed for Christmas break starting at noon on December 19 through January 2. There will be no after school care or extended care following the noon dismissal on December 19. The teachers will have an in-service January 2. Classes resume on January 5.

Movie Night Concessions Results

Thank you to all our families for attending the outdoor movie night and supporting our concession stand. We were able to raise almost \$400 toward our playground shade structure.

Upcoming Events

<u>December 9</u>	Basketball Practice, 3:20-4:30 PM Communicating Christ Class, 7:00 PM
<u>December 10</u>	K-8 Chapel: 8:15; Preschool Chapel: 9:00 Piano Lessons Advent Worship & Cookie Share, 6:30 PM
<u>December 11</u>	Piano Lessons Basketball Practice, 3:20-4:30 PM
<u>December 14</u>	Worship, 8:30 AM Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:30 AM Worship, 10:30 AM
<u>December 17</u>	Yearbook Club; 3:20-4:30 PM
<u>December 18</u>	Grades 3-8 Christmas Service, 6:30 PM
<u>December 19</u>	Grade 3K-2 Christmas Service, 11:00 AM Noon Dismissal - No After School Care
<u>Dec 22 - Jan 2</u>	Christmas Break
<u>December 24</u>	Christmas Eve Worship, 4:00 or 7:00 PM
<u>December 25</u>	Christmas Day Worship, 10:00 AM
<u>January 5</u>	Classes Resume

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 \$17.82

Total \$495.61

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



December Toy Drive

NCA is partnering with Metropolitan Ministries to host a toy drive for the Christmas holiday season. We hope you will join us in sharing the joy of knowing our Savior is born by helping to support these families in need from our community. Items such as gift cards, girl and boy gifts for Christmas (age 13-17) are the most-needed items right now. If you missed out on the food drive and would still like to donate non-perishable food items, you can do that too. See the attached flyer for more details about needed items. We pray that you will consider donating gift items in the coming weeks. We will be collecting the items at NCA through noon on Friday, December 19. There is a table in the school lobby for donations. We have been so blessed! Let's share our blessings with others!

Food Drive Results

Congratulations to 1st and 2nd grade for winning our Thanksgiving Food Drive challenge! Their classroom gathered 327 pounds of food and "turkeys!" Miss Hardman will announce when the pizza lunch and uniform free day will be scheduled. Thank you Dorr family for sponsoring the pizza lunch.

Yearbook Club

The NCA yearbook club will be meeting Wednesday, December 17, 3:20-4:30 PM. Any 7th or 8th grader is welcome to join us even if you haven't participated in previous meetings.

Piano Lesson Openings in January

If your child is currently taking piano lessons or you would like to sign up your child for lessons starting in January, please complete this [online form](#). Slots are available on a first come, first served basis. Additional details are available in the online form.

Christmas Season Schedule

Everyone is welcome to celebrate the birth of our Savior this Christmas season. Here are several special worship events at Northdale Lutheran Church for you to join us.

- ★ Wednesday, December 10: Advent Worship 6:30 PM & Cookie Share after service.
- ★ Thursday, December 18: NCA Grades 3-8 Christmas Program, 6:30 PM
- ★ Friday, December 19: NCA 3K - Grade 2 Christmas Program, 11:00 AM
- ★ Wednesday, December 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 4:00 or 7:00 PM
- ★ Thursday, December 25: Christmas Day Worship, 10:00 AM

Favorite Things Request

Some of our NCA families have requested a list of our staff favorite things this Christmas season. That information is provided in the [linked PDF](#). If you are so moved, please consider each classroom's Amazon wish list or a gift toward the December Toy Drive. There is no obligation to give. Please contact Mr. Mattes with any questions.

January is Preferred Enrollment Month

Current NCA families, their siblings, and members of Northdale Lutheran Church will have 2026-2027 enrollment priority through the month of January. Any new students to NCA must first complete the online application before they can be enrolled: <https://mytads.com/a/northdalechristian>. Re-enrollment is the process for current NCA students already enrolled and will be completed through TADS in January. Look for a TADS email in early January to complete the enrollment process. Starting February 1, new family applications to NCA will be considered based on availability. Check out our website for the 2026-2027 enrollment fee and tuition schedule: NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org.



Classroom News December 8 - 12

Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK

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

What we're learning: We're continuing to get ready for Christmas this week! We will be making wreaths, elves, and some no-bake Christmas cookies. We'll also spend more time getting ready for our Christmas service!

Bible story: Advent devotions

Christmas Service: The children in grades preschool-2nd grade will be presenting a Christmas service on Friday, December 19 at 11:00. Family and friends are welcome to attend! This is a half day of school before Christmas break. Children will be done with school for the day after the service. More details will be coming home in this week's Monday folders!

Thanksgiving video: The thankfulness video our class made for the Thanksgiving party is now available to view at this link. Enjoy! [Preschool Thanksgiving video](#)

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 Work: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Math: Students will learn how to sort objects by two attributes.

Reading: This week we will finish our SuperKid unit on Tic, Tac and Toc. This week we will practice blending sounds to decode words that include the initial and final sound /t/.

Social Studies: This week we will continue our unit about Holidays around the world. We will learn about the different customs and traditions celebrated during this time of year.

Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

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

Memory work: We will be working on the Christmas service songs and recitations in class.

Spelling: 1st grade - Unit 18 - plural nouns - test on Friday 12/12

2nd grade - Unit 19 - *oi* and *oy* words - test on Friday 12/12

Ask us about:

- Author Kevin Henkes and his mouse books.
- Jesus feeding 5,000 people with 5 loaves and 2 fish.
- Chalk pastels and cups of hot cocoa in art.

Stocking stuffer idea: 10 classic color Crayola markers and 24 Crayola crayons! (many of our supplies are drying out, broken, or lost)



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 Sinful Woman in Simon's House & Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand*

Memory Work: The Fourth Petition [Dec. 12]

Spelling: Unit 15 - Pretest (Mon); Final Test (Fri)

Literature: New Novel: The Lemonade War with a focus on comprehension and plot.

3 Math: Chapter 5: More Multiplication

4 Math: Chapter 3: Fractions

Tech: (Roemhildt) We will navigate Google Docs

Books: We have read 180 of our 720 class goal.

Social Studies: New unit on U.S. history, our first lesson is settling in the U.S. and immigration.

Science: Natural resources: soil

Christmas Party: [Please use the link](#) if you wish to help bring something for our class party on the 19th.

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

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

Word of God: *Jesus Walks on Water; The Transfiguration*

MW: No Memory Work due until January

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

Spelling: Unit 16- Pretest (Mon); Final Test (Fri)

Math 5: Chapter 4- Decimals- Test (Wed); Chapter 5- Four Operations of Decimals

Math C1: Chapter 5- Rates and Speeds

Science: The Solar System

Social Studies: Routes of Exploration to the Americas

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

7th & 8th Grade

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



Our 3-8 Christmas service is December 18th. Students received memory work assignments before Thanksgiving break. Help them study!

Our classroom finally has a Christmas tree! If you have any Christmas tree ornaments that you have no use for, send them in with your student to give it a little pizzazz. Christmas party sign ups will begin this week. Discuss with your student what they can bring in for the class (19 total) to enjoy. To ensure everyone is not bringing the same thing students will sign up for the following categories: Sweet, Salty, Savory, or Drink

Spelling: Unit 17 **English:** DGP- Week 15

Literature: Read Aloud

Math: Course 2 will begin a new Chapter on Direct and Inverse Proportion Course 3 will begin a new Chapter on Linear Equations Algebra 1 is studying systems of linear equations.

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

Social Studies: Pre WWI

Science (Mattes): We have begun our study of astronomy by looking at radiation from space and learning how observations are made over such large distances.

Tech & Music: In technology we will be doing a research project that supports upcoming Social Studies lessons. In music we will begin practice for our Christmas service.



MOST NEEDED TOY ITEMS

HOLIDAY TOY ITEMS **Most Needed Items in bold**

AGES 0-2

Preschool Play Sets
Character Toys
Building Blocks
Baby Dolls
Learning Toys/Puzzles

AGES 3-9

Remote Control Cars
Electronic Games
Fashion & Baby Dolls
Legos & Lego Sets

AGES 10-12

Outdoor Play Sets
Science Kits
Craft Kits
Board Games

AGES 13-17

Jewelry
Purses
Makeup
Hair Accessories
Cologne or Perfume
Sports Clothing & Hats



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SCAN HERE to shop our most needed items and they'll be shipped directly to us!

For any questions or concerns throughout your donation drive please contact our Drives Coordinator at **(813) 209-1034**

**Our NCA Toy Drive ends December 19 at noon.
All unwrapped items may be dropped off with your child any school day between now and Christmas break.**

