

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

Psalm 78:4

HURRICANE WATCH

April 27, 2026

Week 34

Last Day of School & YMCA

NCA is partnering with the YMCA to seriously upgrade our last day of school water activities. We will be making use of the Bob Sierra Youth and Family Center YMCA (4015 Ragg Rd, Tampa, FL 33624) to end the school year. School will start at the normal time, we will have our closing chapel service, and start walking to the YMCA at 9:30 AM. We will have use of their pool, water slides, splash pad, playground area, changing rooms, and restrooms until noon. Students need to wear modest swimsuits. They should come to school in layers with shorts and t-shirt over the swimwear for chapel and the walk. Please plan to pick up your child from the YMCA at noon if you are not able to join us. All students will need to be signed out by noon. Students in grades K-8 will also receive their Q4 report card when they are signed out. Preschool students will be limited to the splash pad and playground areas unless a parent or guardian takes them to the pool. This replaces the last day of school picnic.

Our NCA group will be the only ones using the YMCA pool facilities during this time. Please submit [this form](#) by **April 27** to indicate how many from your family should be expected. Family members are welcome to join us. There will be an estimated \$20 charge per participant applied to your TADS account. Please note the charge applies to current YMCA members as this is a special event outside normal YMCA hours.

Upcoming Events

April 27

[YMCA Form Due](#)

April 29

K-8 Chapel: 8:15; Preschool Chapel: 9:00
Mornings with Mommy, 9:30 AM
Piano Lessons

April 30

Piano Lessons
SUFS Scholarship Renewal Deadline

May 3

Worship at NLC, 8:30 AM
Sunday School & Bible Class, 9:30 AM
Confirmation Sunday at NLC, 10:30 AM

May 4

Chuck E Cheese Spirit Night

May 7

Grades 1-4 Musical, 9:00 AM & [6:30 PM](#)

May 14

Preschool & K Spring Program, 6:30 PM

May 17

8th Grade Recognition, 10:30 AM

May 22

Last Day of School
K-8 Closing Chapel: 8:15 AM
Preschool Closing Chapel: 9:00 AM
YMCA: 9:30-Noon
Noon Dismissal from YMCA

June 15-19

[Vacation Bible School](#), 9:00-noon

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 \$12.00

Total \$751.22

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



2026-2027 Renewing and New Scholarships

Step Up for Students, NCA's preferred scholarship funding organization, is accepting 2026-2027 renewal and new student applications. This scholarship is for students in grades K-8 for the coming school year and are universal for Florida residents. A unique abilities scholarship is available for those who have a qualifying diagnosis. You can learn more and apply by visiting StepUpForStudents.org. Please contact Mr. Mattes with any scholarship related questions. These scholarships are a significant benefit toward the cost of education at NCA.

Once awarded, **please share your child(ren)'s award ID with Mr. Mattes**. This will be required in order to register your child's scholarship and the credit be applied to your 2026-2027 financial agreement. **April 30 is the deadline for completing the renewal process.**

Chuck E. Cheese Spirit Night

Mark your calendars for our final spirit night of the school year. It will take place at Chuck E. Cheese (14308 N. Dale Mabry Hwy., Tampa, FL 33618) on Monday, May 4, 3:00-9:00 PM. 20% of all event sales will be donated to NCA for our next fundraising project. Participants must mention Northdale Christian Academy or show the attached flyer everytime they go to the cashier and make a purchase. Check out the attached flyer for additional details and coupons.

Grades 1-4 Musical Performance

We will be performing "Let's Eat!" Thursday, May 7, at 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM. The 6:30 performance will also be [livestreamed](#) on our YouTube channel. Costumes need to be at school on Monday, May 4. Please have your child to school by 6:00 PM for our evening performance on Thursday, May 7. We will be meeting in the classrooms. Doors to the church will open at 6:00 PM. Please contact Miss Hardman or Mr. Haring with any questions.

2025-2026 Yearbooks Ordered

Yearbooks have been ordered and are scheduled to arrive before the last day of school. Thank you to our 7th & 8th grade yearbook editing team. A special thank you goes out to Mrs. Elizabeth Sevigny for serving as our editor in chief of the yearbook. If you would still like to [order a yearbook](#), you may do so online and have it shipped to your home address.

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 4-8 is Teacher Appreciation Week. Several families have requested ideas for expressing appreciation. A list will be shared with next week's newsletter. There is no obligation to participate. Our teachers are grateful for all your support and the opportunity to partner with you for the Christian education of your children. Please contact Mr. Mattes if you have any questions.

Save the Dates

Looking ahead to May, our students in grades 1-4 will be performing their spring musical on Thursday, May 7 at 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Preschool & Kindergarten will have their [spring program](#) on Thursday, May 14 at 6:30 PM. 8th grade graduation will take place May 17 during the 10:30 AM service. Our NCA students are also scheduled to sing for that service. The last day of school will be May 22. See the separate article about the last day of school. More information will come from your child's teacher and in this newsletter as our special events come up.

Spring MAP Testing

Our final round of MAP testing continues this week. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade will take these computer adaptive assessments to help us track learning progress and inform data-driven educational decisions. Results will be available prior to the end of the school year.

Farewell for Miss Hardman

After 22 years of service at NCA, we will be saying farewell to Miss Hardman at the conclusion of this school year. She will be recognized Sunday, May 17 as part of the 8th grade graduation service. We will also have opportunity to say thank you for her years of service during the closing chapel on Friday, May 22. If you'd like to provide a card or gift of appreciation, you can leave it with Ms. Lange.

VBS Registration Now Open

Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Northdale Lutheran will be held June 15-19. VBS is for children ages three (potty trained) through entering 5th grade. You can register for VBS through the [Northdale Lutheran website](#). This year's VBS is themed *God's Wonder Lab*. Register your child today or visit the website for more information.



Classroom News April 27-May 1

Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK

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

What we're learning: Unfortunately, the fire truck went out on a call and was not able to stop by on Friday. I will keep you updated if they are able to reschedule. We will be talking about lots of other kind of vehiclesthis week. We will be painting our own wooden cars and using them to experiment with ramps.

Picture Request: To help us with some secret mother's/father's day gifts, please email or text me pictures of your child, one with mom and one with dad **by this Friday**. Thank you!

Bible story: #48 Philip and the Ethiopian

Letter of the Week: X

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

Pirate Plunge: Please save the date for Thursday, May 14 at 6:30 PM for our 3K-K spring performance, Pirate Plunge. More details to come!

Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

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

Memory work: Job 19:25-26 "I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; I myself will see him with my own eyes - I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me." (Due: Fri. 5/8)

Spelling: First grade spelling - Unit 33 - words with *sh* and *th* - test on Friday (5/1)

Second grade spelling - Unit 34 - words with *wh*, *ch*, and *tch* - test on Friday (5/1)

MAP testing: this coming Wednesday morning we will take our Math MAP test.

Ask us about:

- Musical practices and dancing
- The events of Easter morning...the sadness, confusion, and joy!
- Keep those 500 book charts coming in!



Classroom News (Continued)

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

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

Word of God (Roemhildt): *Easter Morning at the Tomb & Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene*

Memory Work: Personal Prayer In A Time of Trouble [May 1]

Spelling: No Spelling; Unit 30: Pretest (Mon); Test (Fri)

Literature: We are continuing our novel study using [Misty of Chincoteague](#)

3 Math: Chapter 10: Time

4 Math: Chapter 7: Angles and Line Segments

Tech: (Roemhildt) Musical Practice

Books: We have read 415 books of our 720 class goal.

Science: Matter

Social Studies: Understanding Our Economy

Chapel Singing: [Here is a video](#) of our class recently singing at chapel. Enjoy!

Costume notes went home last week. If you did not receive one, please contact myself or Miss Hardman.

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

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

Word of God: *The Gift of the Holy Spirit; Peter's Pentecost Sermon; Peter Preaches in the Temple*

MW: Matthew 28:18, 20(Tue) 1 Timothy 2:3, 4(Th) The Second Article (Fri)

Literature (Schroeder): World Wonders Research and Writing Project

Spelling: Unit 32-Pretest (Mon) Final Test (Fri)

English: Week 29

Math 5: Chapter 10- Percent

Math C1: Chapter 9- The Coordinate Plane- Test Thursday; Chapter 10- Area of Polygons

Science: Classifying Matter

Social Studies: Slavery in the Americas

Tech & Music (Roemhildt): None

7th & 8th Grade

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

8th grade families: Look for an April 11 special email from Mr. Mattes with [graduation details](#). Pictures and [reception RSVP](#) are due April 27.

Spelling: Unit 31

English: Week 28

Literature: Death on the Nile Chapters 15-18

Math: [Course 2](#) will continue a chapter on compound and simple events. [Course 3](#) will continue our chapter on finding volumes and surface areas of three dimensional shapes [Algebra 1](#) is using square roots to solve quadratic equations.

Word of God (Schroeder): Learning to know Jesus the Christ (Book of John)

Social Studies: We will begin a Presidential Research Project that will take a few weeks to complete. Students will be heavily researching one of six presidents.

Science (Mattes): This week we are studying the organization of stars. We will conclude our astronomy unit by looking at galaxies.

Tech & Music: Music Appreciation, Taxes, and Video Editing





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TIME: 3:00-9:00 PM

ORGANIZATION: Northdale Christian Academy

EVENT DATE: Monday, May 4, 2026

EVENT ADDRESS:
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Tampa, FL 33618

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