

# THE MESSAGE

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# MINISTRIES

## The Power of Decision

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Mark Pickerill

**John 5:1-16** - Afterward Jesus returned to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish holy days. <sup>2</sup> Inside the city, near the Sheep Gate, was the pool of Bethesda, with five covered porches. <sup>3</sup> Crowds of sick people—blind, lame, or paralyzed—lay on the porches. <sup>5</sup> One of the men lying there had been sick for thirty-eight years. <sup>6</sup> When Jesus saw him and knew he had been ill for a long time, he asked him, “Would you like to get well?” <sup>7</sup> “I can’t, sir,” the sick man said, “for I have no one to put me into the pool when the water bubbles up. Someone else always gets there ahead of me.” <sup>8</sup> Jesus told him, “Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk!” <sup>9</sup> Instantly, the man was healed! He rolled up his sleeping mat and began walking! But this miracle happened on the Sabbath, <sup>10</sup> so the Jewish leaders objected. They said to the man who was cured, “You can’t work on the Sabbath! The law doesn’t allow you to carry that sleeping mat!” <sup>11</sup> But he replied, “The man who healed me told me, ‘Pick up your mat and walk.’” <sup>12</sup> “Who said such a thing as that?” they demanded. <sup>13</sup> The man didn’t know, for Jesus had disappeared into the crowd. <sup>14</sup> But afterward Jesus found him in the Temple and told him, “Now you are well; so stop sinning, or something even worse may happen to you.” <sup>15</sup> Then the man went and told the Jewish leaders that it was Jesus who had healed him. <sup>16</sup> So the Jewish leaders began harassing Jesus for breaking the Sabbath rules.

**James 5:16-17** - Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years!

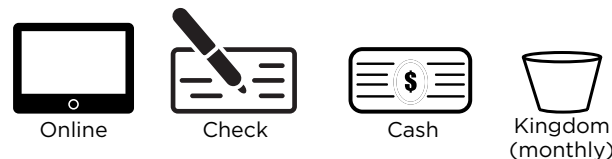
**The POWER of DECISION Reading Plan:**  
Please read Psalm 10 with us this week!

**Full reading plan and prayer guide for this series** is available in the lobby or online: [cachurch.com/decisionreadingplan](http://cachurch.com/decisionreadingplan)

Visit **CAchurch.com** for info on available ministries or email us: [info@cachurch.com](mailto:info@cachurch.com)

**Men | Women | Fusion 18-35yrs | Life Groups**  
**CA Students (6th-12th) | Kids Church**  
**Thrive Growth & Recovery**  
**Counseling at The Relationship Center**  
**Kingdom & Evangelism**

## WAYS TO GIVE



Go to **CAchurch.com** or use the envelope in the seat backs at our services.

### Financial Update

2016 General Budget: **\$6,000,000**  
 YTD 6.30.16 - Requirement: **\$3,000,000**  
 YTD 6.30.16 - Offering: **\$2,923,291**  
 June Kingdom (Blue Bucket) Offering: **\$19,134**  
 YTD Kingdom Offering: **\$239,116**

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# WELCOME

July 30 & 31, 2016

**Worship God**  
 Become part of His **Family**  
 Extend His **Kingdom**



## WELCOME!

We're so glad you've chosen to join us!

Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. **That grace compels us to lead spiritually convinced and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.**

We don't profess to have all the answers, but we do believe there is a God who is worth knowing and following. Whether you are simply curious about Jesus or have been a long-time follower of Christ, we welcome you and are excited you are with us today.

Enjoy the service!



Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill  
Co-Lead Pastors

## NEW?

- We'd love to meet you! Stop by our **New People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.

- There is a **Connection Card** in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the offering bag or at the New People's Table.

- If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped with a live feed of the service as well as a private **nursing room** for mothers. Just ask an usher!

## INFORMATION / OPPORTUNITIES



Join us next weekend, August 6 & 7, as we continue to look at various encounters in the Bible and the decisions God calls us to make.



During our regularly scheduled Kids Church time, we will be hosting Olympics themed games and activities from toddlers up through 5th grade. Invite your friends! Info at [cakidschurch.com](http://cakidschurch.com)

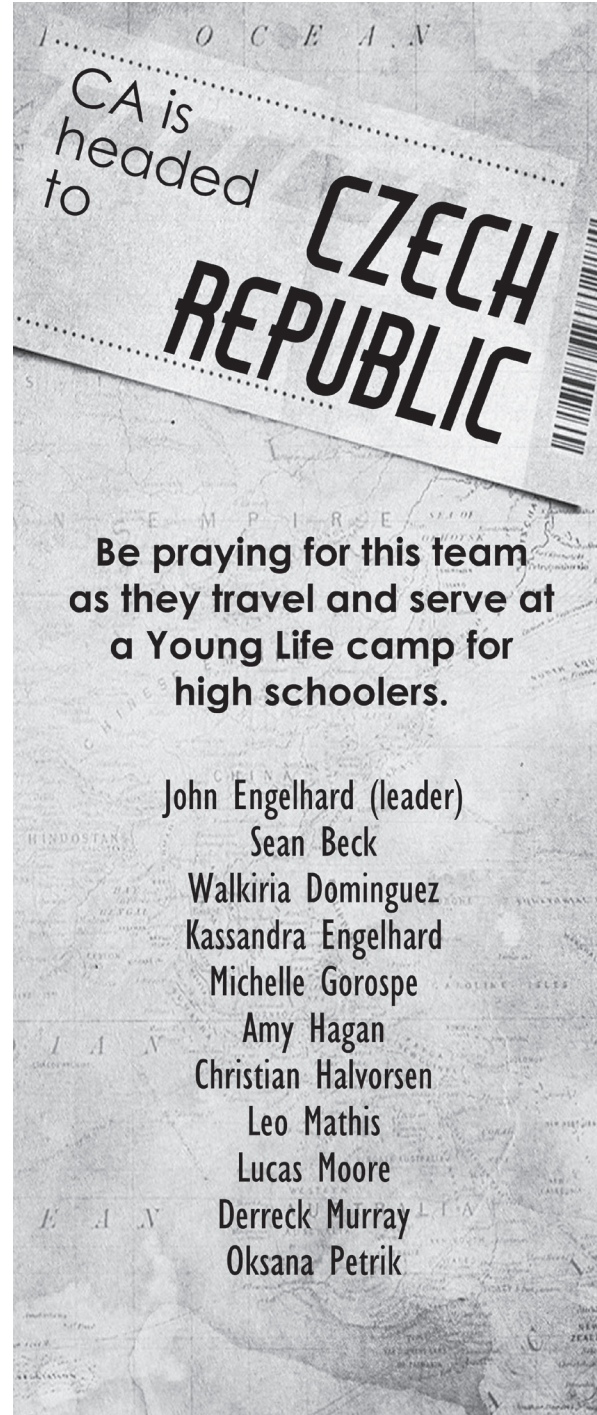


More information at [cakidschurch.com](http://cakidschurch.com)



Our junior high (grades 6-7) and high school programs are currently on summer hiatus. Program will resume for high school on **Wednesday, Aug 24 at 7pm** and junior high on **Saturday, Aug 27 at 6pm**. For more info visit [castudents.com](http://castudents.com)

## OPPORTUNITIES



Be praying for this team as they travel and serve at a Young Life camp for high schoolers.

John Engelhard (leader)  
Sean Beck  
Walkiria Dominguez  
Kassandra Engelhard  
Michelle Gorospe  
Amy Hagan  
Christian Halvorsen  
Leo Mathis  
Lucas Moore  
Derreck Murray  
Oksana Petrik

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CA Internship Program

We are launching an internship program for anyone interested in exploring a call to ministry and working at a local church. **Deadline to apply is July 31.** For info and to apply visit: [cachurch.com/internship](http://cachurch.com/internship)

### Baptisms

If you've decided to trust Jesus with your life and to follow him, we encourage you to share that decision through baptism. **There is a Baptism class today, Sunday, July 31 at 1 pm** for baptisms happening on August 20 & 21. Info on how to register for the class at [cachurch.com/baptisms](http://cachurch.com/baptisms)

### Kids Church: Volunteers

Looking for an opportunity to serve and have fun at the same time? Kids Church is inviting people to share the love of Christ with kids in a variety of ways. Check it out at [cakidschurch.com/kc-volunteer](http://cakidschurch.com/kc-volunteer)

### New Parking Lot

We have a new off-site lot available for all of our weekend services just one block away! For more info on this lot and all of our other parking options, visit: [cachurch.com/parking](http://cachurch.com/parking)

### How to Be Brave

Join us beginning **August 20 & 21 for our new Fall series, How to Be Brave.** In this series, we'll discover what it means and looks like to fully rely on God's peace and promises in every situation.