# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG

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August 22, 2021

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"Be reverent, for this is the house of the Lord.

Before the service, speak to God.

During the service, let God speak to you.

"After the service, speak to one another with the technology available."



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Our Vision Nurturing Disciples to be a Spirit-filled, Impactful Church

<u>The 4 Essentials</u> Lifelong Discipleship, Wholesome Families, A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10.00 AM

#### SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

"The Lord is my strength and my defense;
He has become my salvation.
He is my God, and I will praise Him,
my father's God, and I will exalt Him."

Exodus 15:2, NIV

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

- L: When we are tossed by waves of fear and doubt,
- P: The Lord assures us, "Do not be afraid, for I am with you."
- L: When obstacles and trials seem like prison walls,
- P: The Lord assures us, "Do not be dismayed, for I am your God."
- L: Let us call upon the name of the Lord, for He will come and save us.
- P: Come, Lord Jesus, that we might find peace for our anxious hearts and meaning for our troubled lives. Amen.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

#### **ACTS OF PRAISE**

# Today Is The Day

I'm casting my cares aside, I'm leaving my past behind
I'm setting my heart and mind on You, Jesus
I'm reaching my hand to Yours, believing there's so much more
Knowing that all You have in store for me is good, is good

Today is the day You have made, I will rejoice and be glad in it (2x) And I won't worry about tomorrow, I'm trusting in what You say Today is the day

I'm putting my fears aside, I'm leaving my doubts behind
I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You, Jesus
I'm reaching my hands to Yours, believing there's so much more
Knowing that all You have in store for me is good, is good

I will stand upon Your truth (I will stand upon Your truth)
And all my days I'll live for You (All my days I'll live for You)
I will stand upon Your truth (I will stand upon Your truth)
And all my days I'll live for You (All my days I'll live)

# Mercies (New Every Morning)

In brokenness and wandering
Through all my fear and unbelief
Your faithfulness appears to me again
Through mountain top and valley low
In every season, this I know
Your goodness like the dawn will break again

All Your mercies rising in this heart again And my soul begins to sing

They are new every morning
New every morning
Great is Your faithfulness
Your mercies are new every morning
New every morning
Great is Your faithfulness

Every good and perfect gift
In Your endless grace You give
Flowing from the Father's heart to mine
Beams of Heaven as I go
Through this wilderness below
The fullness of Your love for all of time

All Your mercies rising in this heart again All Your mercies rising in this heart again All Your mercies rising Forever shining in this grateful heart again

Great is Your faithfulness Great is Your faithfulness

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# The Steadfast Love

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases
His mercies never come to an end
They are new every morning
New every morning
Great is Thy faithfulness, O Lord
Great is Thy faithfulness

The Lord is my portion, says my soul Therefore I will hope in Him

The Lord is good to those who wait for Him To the soul that seeks Him It is good that we should wait quietly For the salvation of the Lord

The Lord will not cast off forever But will have compassion For He does not willingly afflict Or grieve the sons of men

So let us examine all our ways
And return to the Lord
Let us lift up our hearts and hands
To God in heaven

#### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

- 1. Pray for Afghanistan under Taliban rule. Pray for the underground church to be strengthened and for those holding to the Christian faith to remain resilient under renewed threat of persecution.
- 2. Pray for Malaysia, that the incoming Prime Minister would be a man of integrity. Pray that he would influence the workings and standards of Malaysia to be full of honesty, justice, humility and all other good values that are consistent with God's character.
- 3. Pray for missionaries and missions organizations all around the world this Missions month. Pray that they would be able to continue their work despite additional financial and logistical challenges caused by the pandemic.
- 4. Pray for ourselves, that we would have a faith in God that is personal, living and strong enough to withstand the doubts and challenges that we come across.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### E-OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Give to: MBB 5072 4612 6505 (Trinity Methodist Church Penang)
Please indicate for "Offering/Pledge" or "Poor & Needy" in Recipient Reference
for online transfers.

**DOXOLOGY** Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 37:1-28, 36

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Life of Faith Mr Chu Kar Meng

# **SERMON OUTLINE**

Title: Life of Faith

Scripture Passage: Genesis 37:1-28, 36

# Introduction

Faith is defined as trust, and trust is relying on God for the future and obeying even when we don't fully understand everything. The life of Joseph is a great example of that.

# **Explanation**

- 1. Faith demands doing what is right.
- 2. Faith believes when others don't.
- 3. Faith holds on when life gets tough.

#### Conclusion

Do what is right because it is the right thing to do.

Know why you believe even when others don't.

Hold on to your faith in God when life gets tough.

# REFLECTION / DISCUSSION

- 1. Faith demands doing what's right no matter what; believing when others don't, and holding on when life gets tough. Which of these aspects of faith that you struggle with most?
- 2. In what ways can you strengthen your belief in God when you are rejected and betrayed?
- 3. How do you handle "bottom of the pit" experiences in your life? Do you find that you have grown in your faith as a result?

#### SONG OF DEDICATION

Cornerstone (My Hope Is Built)

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name (repeat)

I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil (repeat)

Christ alone. Cornerstone Weak made strong in the Saviour's love Through the storm He is Lord Lord of all

He is Lord, Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh, may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless stand before the throne

When darkness seems to hide His face

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

# **Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

Sermon Title/Text Life of Faith (Genesis 37:1-28, 36)

**Preacher** Mr Chu Kar Meng

Worship Leaders Mr Amos Lau, Ms Goh Yi Jane

**Reader** Ms Vanessa Goh **Musician** Ms Joyce Goh

# **Next Week's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

Sermon Title/Text (Genesis 38:1-30)
Preacher Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang

Worship Leaders Mrs Jane Khoo, Ms Cheah Yan Li

**Reader** Ms Cindy Lim **Musician** Mr Daniel Khoo

# **ONLINE MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES**

#### **SUNDAY**

9.15am Church School
10.00am Worship Service in English
2.00pm Methodist Youth Fellowship
2.00pm Boys' Brigade (Juniors)
3.00pm Post Alpha Small Group
3.30pm Boys' Brigade (Seniors)
5.00pm Sungai Ara II Small Group –

Jason Chieng

**TUESDAY** 

8.30pm Tanjung Bungah Small Group –

Chan Chen Weng

**WEDNESDAY** 

10.00am Wednesday Small Group -

Tan Saw Lee (1st & 3rd Wed)

Church Office Staff Meeting

**THURSDAY** 

8.30pm Church Prayer Meeting

9.00pm Tree Residency Small Group

- Jesse Ong

**FRIDAY** 

Small Groups:

8.30pm Young Adults I – Seah Por Shen

Taman Sri Nibong – Dr Saw Kim Guan

Bethel – Ch'ng Geam Liang Century Garden – Lim Lim Ling Permai Village I – Daniel Khoo Island Glades – Tan Kok Huat

(2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)

**SATURDAY** 

10:30am Permai Village Small Group -

Dr Khoo Cheok Kau

11.00am BB Platoon (King's Academy)

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group

Small Groups:

5.45pm Young Families – Tairven Lee 8.00pm Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong 8:30pm Sungai Ara I – Dr Chang Chee Jia

(fortnightly)

# **WEEKLY PRAYER**

#### World

New cases of the coronavirus continue to surge across the United States, driven by the Delta variant that makes up the majority of infections in the country. More than 99% of hospitalisations and deaths from COVID-19 are those who have not yet been fully vaccinated. Pray that more people will seek to be vaccinated and that those who have been fully vaccinated will continue to follow the SOPs.

#### **Nation**

➤ Pray that our politicians will put the needs of the nation above their own political ambitions. Pray that the incoming Prime Minister will influence the workings and standards of Malaysia to be full of justice, honesty and humility, values that are consistent with God's character. Pray also, that the political situation will stabilise so that we will be spared the potential of a general election during a pandemic.

#### **Church**

▶ Pray that our children will grow up to be men and women after God's own heart. Pray too, that He will draw others into His Kingdom through our various ministries – Kindergarten, Church School, BB, MYF, etc. Pray for God's wisdom, strength and favour to be upon all the teachers, organisation heads and members as they faithfully serve the Lord in their respective ministries.

#### **Self**

➤ Pray that the Holy Spirit will fill us with the knowledge of His Word and help us to apply it to our daily lives as we set aside time to read and meditate on God's promises each day. Pray that as we keep our focus on the Lord and His Word, we will make better life choices and be ever ready to avail ourselves to the furtherance of His Kingdom.

# **CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

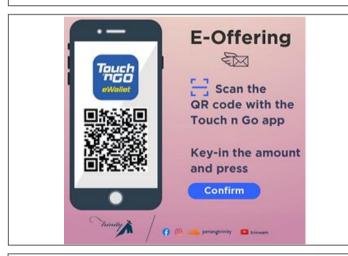
**WELCOME** to worship at *Trinity*. For any assistance please contact:

Pastor – Rev Shearn Sya: 04-828 7445 Administrator – Ms Angeline Choo: 013-243 1282

- <u>Sermons</u> and past worship services are available online (<a href="http://replay.penangtrinity.org">http://replay.penangtrinity.org</a>).
- Visitation ministry for the homebound on hold for the duration of the MCO.
- Online/ATM Transfer: Maybank Account No. MBB 5072 4612 6505 (Trinity Methodist Church Penang). Please indicate for "Offering/Pledge" or "Poor & Needy" in Recipient Reference for online transfers.

### **TODAY – August 22**

Communion Offering for August 2021 will go to Eden Handicap Service Centre.



# Refurbished devices for needy students

Handphones | tablets | computers
To donate, contact Jay Lee at 016-433 3251

2021 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan: http://bit.ly/TMCBible2021

#### Vacancies:

TMCK Teachers / Asst. Teachers / Cleaner Please call Mrs Teong at 04-8260724 or submit resume to kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org.

#### **August**

28 - MW Week of Prayer & Self-Denial

### Coming up in September!

19 – 64th Church Anniversary Service

25 - 2nd LC / 5th LCEC Meeting

# MW Week of Prayer & Self-Denial August 28 (via Zoom)

10am – 12 noon

For more information, please contact Angela Khong at 016-470 0680.

Our heartfelt condolences to Guat Choo and family on the demise of her beloved husband, Mr Alfred Oh Siew Yong, who passed away on August 15.

Our heartfelt condolences to Rosalind and family on the demise of her beloved husband, Mr Khoo Kay Chee, who passed away on August 16.

Our heartfelt condolences also, to Daniel Teh and family on the demise of his beloved sister, Mdm Teh Eng Sim, who passed away on August 16.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of them in their time of grief.