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October 3, 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."

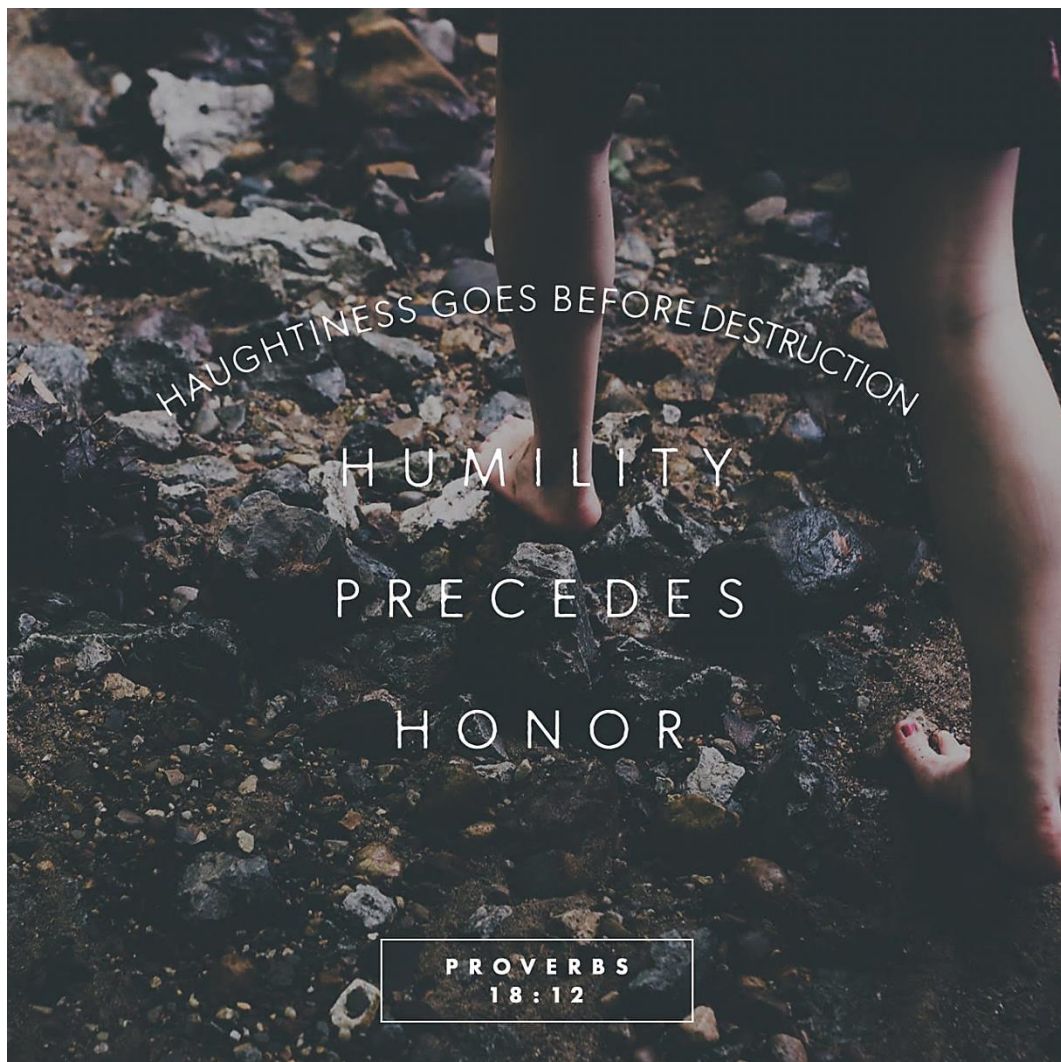


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Our Vision

Nurturing Disciples to be a Spirit-filled, Impactful Church

The 4 Essentials

***Lifelong Discipleship, Wholesome Families,
A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World***

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

“Rend your heart
and not your garments.
Return to the Lord your God,
for He is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and abounding in love,
and He relents from sending calamity.”

Joel 2:13, NIV

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Responsively)*

L: Let us return to the Lord our God,

P: For He is gracious and merciful.

L: Let us confess to the Lord our God,

P: For He is slow to anger and abounds in steadfast love.

L: Come, let us worship the Lord our God,

P: For He alone is worthy of all praise. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER**ACTS OF PRAISE**God Of Wonders

Lord of all creation
Of water, earth and sky
The heavens are Your tabernacle
Glory to the Lord on high

Early in the morning
I will celebrate the light
When I stumble in the darkness
I will call Your name by night

*God of wonders, beyond our galaxy
You are holy, holy
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy, holy
Lord of heaven and earth (repeat)*

Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth)
(repeat)

*God of wonders, beyond our galaxy
You are holy, holy
Precious Lord, reveal Your heart to me
Father, hold me, hold me
The universe declares Your majesty
You are holy, holy, holy, holy*

My Jesus I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine
For Thee, all the follies of sin I resign
My gracious Redeemer, my Saviour art Thou
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus 'tis now

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus 'tis now

In mansions of glory and endless delight
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus 'tis now

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Grace Alone

Every promise we can make
Every prayer and step of faith
Every difference we will make
Is only by His grace
Every mountain we will climb
Every ray of hope we shine
Every blessing left behind
Is only by His grace

Every soul we long to reach
Every heart we hope to teach
Everywhere we share His peace
Is only by His grace
Every loving word we say
Every tear we wipe away
Every sorrow turned to praise
Is only by His grace

*Grace alone, which God supplies
Strength unknown, He will provide
Christ in us, our Cornerstone
We will go forth in grace alone*

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

1. Pray for different nations and people groups all around the world who are estranged from one another, whatever the reason might be. Pray against these tensions from escalating into violence or war. Pray for peaceful methods of conflict resolution.
2. Pray for justice and fairness for all in Malaysia. Pray against policies and practices that discriminate and cause division.
3. Pray for our congregation in Penang Trinity, that we would be agents of God's transforming love to those around us at work, home, and church.
4. Pray for ourselves, that we would have an attitude of humility towards our own faults. Pray that we would always be open to the Holy Spirits work of conviction and transformation in our lives.

E-OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Give to: MBB 5072 4612 6505 (Trinity Methodist Church Penang)

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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 42:3-8

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Joseph's Brothers: Reconvened

Rev Shearn Sya

SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Joseph's Brothers: Reconvened

Scripture Passage: Genesis 42:3-8

BIG IDEA: God leads us through opportunities for transformation.

Introduction

- Joseph's transformation.

1. The Brothers' Transformation

- From powerful to powerless.
- From shared secret to shared confession.
- From deception to honesty.
- From trying to get rid of a brother to trying to save one.

Reflect/Discuss/Share: What is one positive transformation you have personally witnessed in your own life/the life of others?

For kids: What is one way you have become a better person? (For parents: Use this opportunity to affirm and encourage).

2. Reuben & Judah

- Reuben tried to save Joseph.
- Judah tried to sell Joseph.
- Reuben pledges his sons' lives to guarantee Benjamin's safety.
- Judah pledges his own life to guarantee Benjamin's safety.
- Reuben's legacy.
- Jacob's legacy.

Reflect/Discuss/Share: What sort of legacy would you like to leave to your children/others you have influence over?

For kids: If you changed to another school one day, would your old school teachers and classmates be happy or sad to see you go? What do you think they would say about you?

3. God's Guiding Hand

- God was at work in the lives of Joseph and his brothers.
- God brought them opportunities for transformation.
- The bigger picture: A prelude to the Exodus.

Reflect/Discuss/Share: How has God used difficulties or failures in your life for good?

For kids: What is one thing in your life that was bad and God turned it into something good? (For parents: Help them to identify God's blessings in some things they dislike/complain about.)

Know: God leads us through opportunities for transformation.

Be: Open to transformation by being humble and remorseful for past mistakes.

Do: Focus on the legacy of finishing well.

HOLY COMMUNION

SONG OF DEDICATION

Build My Life

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus, the name above every other name
Jesus, the only one who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, we live for You

*Holy, there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me*

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	Joseph's Brothers: Reconvened (Genesis 42:3-8)
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya
Worship Leaders	Mrs Lim Huey Yoke, Mrs Gerviene Sya
Reader	Mr Charles Teh
Musician	Ms Joyce Goh, Mr Shane Tan
Intercession	Mdm Khoo Eng Ee

Next Week's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	Forgiveness & Reconciliation (Genesis 45:1-15)
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya
Worship Leaders	Mrs Lim Huey Yoke, Ms Alanis Yeoh
Reader	Mrs Wong Lee Wah
Musician	Ms Amelia Loo

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
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WEDNESDAY

10.00am	Wednesday Small Group – Tan Saw Lee (1 st & 3 rd Wed) Church Office Staff Meeting
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THURSDAY

8.30pm	Church Prayer Meeting
9.00pm	Tree Residency Small Group – Jesse Ong

FRIDAY

8.30pm	Small Groups: 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 nd & 4 th)
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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: Young Families – Tairven Lee Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong Sungai Ara I – Dr Chang Chee Jia (fortnightly)
5.45pm	
8.00pm	
8:30pm	

WEEKLY PRAYER

World

- Pray for peace and democracy to be restored in Myanmar as the country is facing the prospect of an escalating civil war against the military junta. Pray too, for the health-care system in Afghanistan that is on the brink of collapse due to lack of funding. Pray that international funding for Afghanistan's health-care system will not cease, but will continue for the sake of the innocent civilians.

Nation

- Pray for God's mercy and grace over our nation. Pray that He will bless and guide our new political administration under the leadership of the new PM and his new Cabinet. Pray also, that God will work through our government so that justice, righteousness, peace, racial and religious tolerance and harmony may reign, and that His will and Kingdom purposes will come to pass for Malaysia.

Church

- Pray for revelation, wisdom, clarity and the Holy Spirit's guidance to be upon our leaders as they discern God's plans for Penang Trinity for 2022. Pray for eyes to be opened, ears to be attentive and hearts to be receptive to His leading. In all our words and actions, no matter what the future holds for us, pray that we will live out the Great Commission which is to make disciples of all nations.

Self

- Pray that we will remember to pause and listen, and to wait upon the Lord each day. Thank Him that day after day, He faithfully sustains us by His power. Pray that as we read His Word, the Lord will shine the light of His truth into our lives to show us the stumbling blocks in our paths, and eradicate sin, fear and selfishness from our lives.

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

- Sermons and past worship services are available online (<http://replay.penangtrinity.org>).
- 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 – October 3

Communion Offering for October 2021 will go to CREST Penang's PKRCS (Covid-19 Quarantine Centre for Low Risk B40).

Coming up in October!

17 – MSF Sunday

24 – Social Concerns Sunday

The Alpha Course – starts TODAY

Sundays, 3pm

For more information or to register, contact Vivian Lim at 013-401 0551

The Pre-Marriage Course 2021

October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

7.30pm - 9.30pm

To register, go to

<http://penangtrinity.org/inperson>

Forum – Mental Health in an Unequal World

October 9, 3pm - 5pm (via Zoom)

<https://bit.ly/3hSjeq7>

For more information, email

someone4eachone@gmail.com

World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women's Day

October 18, 2pm (via Zoom)

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



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.