

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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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."**

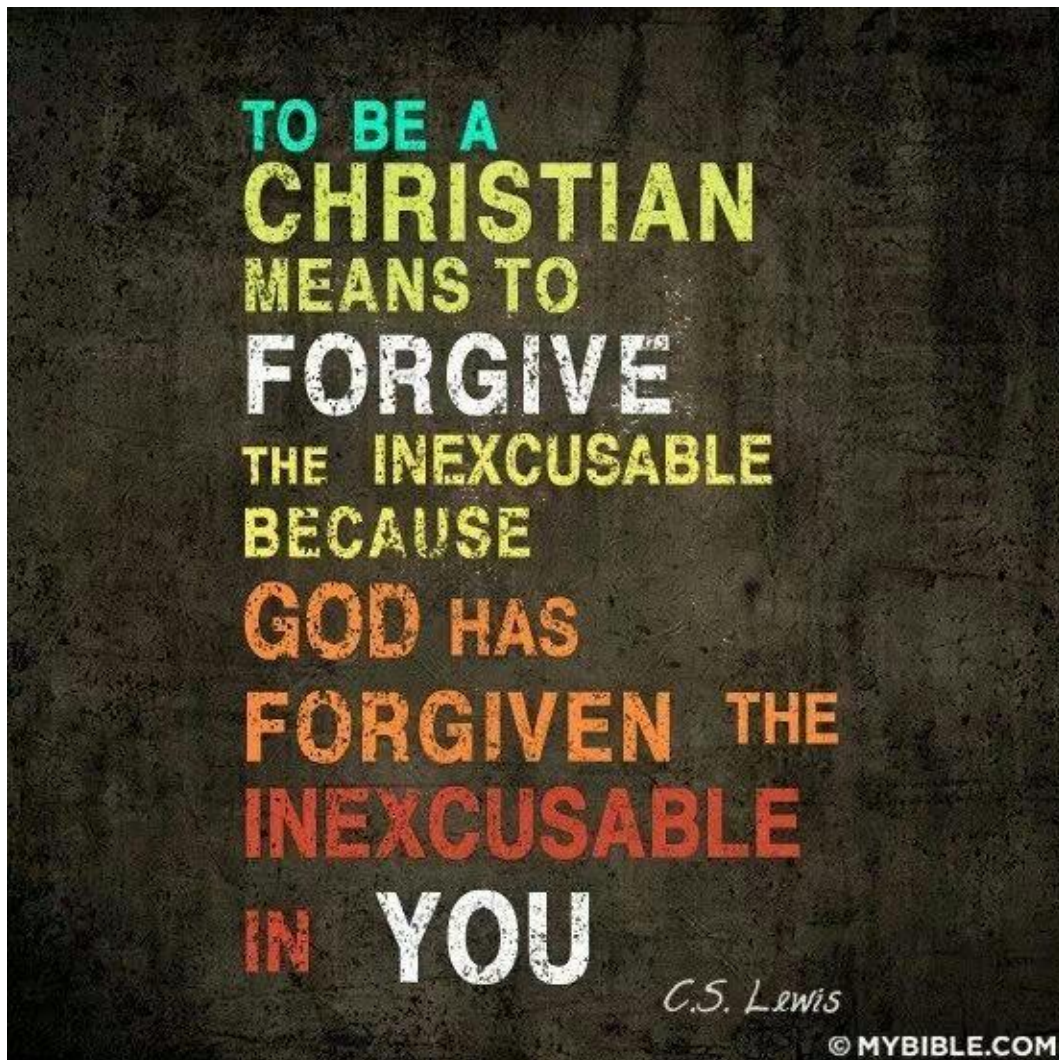


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## Our Vision

***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**

“Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.”

*Colossians 3:12-13, NIV*

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

L: God’s love binds us together,

**P: *When conflict and division separate us.***

L: Christ’s light shows us the way to reconciliation,

**P: *When disputes estrange us from one another.***

L: God’s grace restores us, when all hope seems lost.

**P: *Come! Let us worship God, who makes us one. Amen.***

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

I love You, Lord  
Oh, Your mercy never fails me  
All my days, I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
I will sing of the goodness of God

*All my life, You have been faithful  
All my life, You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God*

I love Your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night, You are close like no other  
I've known You as a Father  
I've known You as a Friend  
I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me (*repeat*)  
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me

## Softly And Tenderly

Softly and tenderly, Jesus is calling  
Calling for you and for me  
See on the portals, He's waiting and watching  
Watching for you and for me

*Come home, come home  
Ye who are weary, come home  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling  
Calling, O sinner, come home*

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading  
Pleading for you and for me  
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies  
Mercies for you and for me

O, for the wonderful love He has promised  
Promised for you and for me  
Though we have sinned He has mercy and pardon  
Pardon for you and for me

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## The Heart Of Worship

When the music fades, all is stripped away  
And I simply come  
Longing just to bring something that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart

*I'm coming back to the heart of worship  
And it's all about You, all about You, Jesus  
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it  
When it's all about You, all about You, Jesus*

I'll bring You more than a song  
For a song in itself  
Is not what You have required  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear  
You're looking into my heart

King of endless worth, no one could express  
How much You deserve  
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours  
Every single breath

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## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

1. Pray against the development of new variants of Covid-19 in this world. Pray for researchers and policy makers to be effective in pre-emptively combating the evolution of the virus.
2. Pray for interracial and interreligious harmony in Malaysia. Pray against people who weaponize conflict and disunity for their own agenda.
3. Pray for Penang Trinity to be a church of people who are united in their readiness to forgive one another. Pray against the enemy's efforts to cause disunity for whatever reasons.
4. Pray for ourselves, that the Holy Spirit in us would move and empower us to deal with all issues that require forgiveness and reconciliation.

## **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**

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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 45:1-15

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

Joseph's Brothers: Reconciled

Rev Shearn Sya

## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Joseph's Brothers: Reconciled

Scripture Passage: Genesis 45:1-15

**BIG IDEA: With God, true forgiveness is possible and necessary.**

### Introduction

- The climax of Joseph's story with his brothers.

**Reflection/Discussion Questions: If you were in Joseph's situation, how do you think you would have dealt with your brothers? Why?**

***For Kids: If someone made fun of you in front of everyone, what would you do to that person? Why?***

### 1. A Picture of Forgiveness

- Forgiveness paves the way for reconciliation.
- Forgiveness initiates reconciliation.
- Forgiveness desires the good of those forgiven.
- Forgiveness is heartfelt.
- Forgiveness doesn't undo hurts, but it allows us to move forward.

**Reflection/Discussion Questions: Has someone forgiven you for something before? How did it feel?**

***For Kids: Have you done something bad to someone before and they continued being your friend? How did you feel?***

### 2. The God Factor

- God's larger purpose gives new perspective to the hurt.
- A foreshadowing of divine forgiveness.
- Part of seeing God's perspective is being able to look at ourselves through God's eyes.
- Forgiveness is a matter of holiness.
- It takes two to reconcile.

**Reflection/Discussion Questions: What is one step you can take towards forgiving/being forgiven/reconciliation with someone?**

***For Kids: Is there anybody you need to say sorry to? OR Do you have an apology you need to accept?***

**Know:** With God, true forgiveness is possible and necessary.

**Be:** Aware of God's perspective.

**Do:** Forgive as God forgave you.

## **SONG OF DEDICATION**

## Lord, I Need You

Lord, I come, I confess  
Bowing here, I find my rest  
And without You, I fall apart  
You're the one, that guides my heart

*Lord, I need You, oh, I need You  
Every hour I need You  
My one defence, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You*

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more  
Where grace is found, is where You are  
And where You are, Lord, I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me  
Where You are, Lord, I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

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## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

## **Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Joseph's Brothers: Reconciled (Genesis 45:1-15)
<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Shearn Sya
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Lim Huey Yoke, Ms Alanis Yeoh
<b>Reader</b>	Mrs Wong Lee Wah
<b>Musicians</b>	Ms Amelia Loo, Mr Daniel Khoo

## **Next Week's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Older Adults - The Wonderful Resource in Church Ministry (Titus 2:1-8, 11-14)
<b>Preacher</b>	Dato Khoo Cheek Sin
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Angela Khong, Ms Goh Yi Jane
<b>Reader</b>	Mdm Sally Koay
<b>Musician</b>	Dr Melvin Saw

## 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 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed) Church Office Staff Meeting
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### **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

- Wealthy nations are storing supplies of COVID-19 vaccine to protect their country from more virulent variants. Thus, poorer nations are turning to lesser-known vaccines. Pray that the medical experts will be able to provide sufficient scientific evidence of the safety and efficacy of these lesser-known vaccines so that the poorer nations will also be protected from the COVID-19 virus.

### Nation

- As the authorities prepare to transition from pandemic to endemic stage by end-October, pray that they will exercise wisdom and caution when reopening interstate travel and international borders to revive the tourism sector, as well as the reopening of more economic sectors to boost the economy. Pray also, that everyone will remain vigilant and comply with all SOPs.

### Church

- Pray that through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, we will be witnesses for Christ wherever God has placed us. Pray that we will be able to share the love of Christ through our speech, our conduct and our actions. Pray that we will be true disciples of Jesus as we go about our daily lives, in Christ-likeness that will point the people around us to Him.

### Self

- Pray that God will surround us with His love and grace so that we may be encouraged and strengthened. Pray that He will grant us wisdom, understanding and a thoughtful spirit. Pray that whenever we feel anxious, overwhelmed, weary or troubled, God will show us His peace and His unfailing love, filling our hearts and minds with the knowledge of His mercy and faithfulness.



# 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 10

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

Sundays, 3pm

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

## World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women's Day

October 19, 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](mailto:kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org).

Our heartfelt condolences to Mr Lim Yeang Phai and family on the demise of his beloved sister, Mdm Lim Choo Thay, who passed away on October 7. Our thoughts and prayers are with them in their time of grief.