



4th Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

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

Before the service, speak to God.

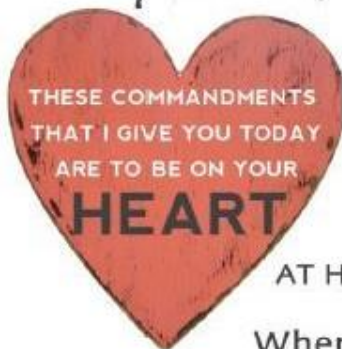
During the service, let God speak to you.

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

HEAR O ISRAEL

the Lord our God, the Lord is one

LOVE THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART &
Your God WITH ALL YOUR SOUL &
WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH



IMPRESS THEM ON

Your Children

TALK ABOUT THEM WHEN YOU SIT
AT HOME AND WHEN YOU WALK ALONG THE ROAD

When you lie down and when you
get up. Tie them as symbols on your
hands and bind them on your foreheads.



DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9

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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

“You who bring good news to Zion, go up on a high mountain. You who bring good news to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout, lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns of Judah, “Here is your God!” See, the Sovereign Lord comes with power, and He rules with a mighty arm. See, His reward is with Him, and His recompense accompanies Him.”

Isaiah 40:9-10, NIV

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

L: God's love is here with us!

P: God's love is heralded in the promise of Christ.

L: God has done great things for us!

P: God's promises are fulfilled in the coming of Christ.

L: God's mercy extends from generation to generation.

P: God's salvation is offered in the gift of Christ. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER**ACTS OF PRAISE**Joy To The World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found
Far as, far as the curse is found

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods
Rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love
And wonders, wonders of His love

Jesus At The Centre

Jesus at the centre of it all
Jesus at the centre of it all
From beginning to the end
It will always be
It's always been You, Jesus, Jesus

*And nothing else matters
Nothing in this world will do
Jesus, You're the centre
Everything revolves around You, Jesus, You*

Jesus, be the centre of my life
Jesus, be the centre of my life
From beginning to the end
It will always be
It's always been You, Jesus, Jesus

From my heart to the heavens
Jesus be the centre
It's all about You
Yes, it's all about You
From my heart to the heavens
Jesus be the centre
It's all about You
Yes it's all about You (Jesus)

Jesus, be the centre of Your church
Jesus, be the centre of Your church
And every knee will bow
And every tongue shall confess You

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus

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O Come, All Ye Faithful (His Name Shall Be)

O come, all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come, ye O come, ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

*O come, let us adore Him (3x)
Christ the Lord*

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above
Glory to God, all
Glory in the highest

Yea, Lord we greet thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing

His name shall be Wonderful Counsellor
His name shall be Everlasting Father
His name shall be Prince of Peace, Mighty God
His name shall be Emmanuel

*We'll praise Your name forever (3x)
Christ the Lord*

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

1. Pray for Christian parents all over the world to embrace and prioritize the process of making their children disciples of Jesus.
2. Pray for Malaysia and the various measures that are being taken to combat the Omicron variant to be effective in preventing another wave that will result in further loss of life.
3. Pray for our church, Penang Trinity, to be effective in encouraging and equipping families to grow in Christ together.
4. Pray for ourselves, that we would do our part in being a good witness and testimony for Christ in our own household.

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.

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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

Ephesians 5:21 – 6:9

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Belonging to God's Household

Tan Chong Jin

SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Belonging to God's Household

Scripture Passage: Ephesians 5:21 – 6:9

BIG IDEA: Christ is at the centre of a Christian household.

Key Verse: Ephesians 5:21 (NIV)

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Introduction

- The early church met in individual households.
- The individual household became an important expression of God's household.
- Paul is concerned that relationships in a household is practiced out of reverence for Christ.

How reverence for Christ transforms Christian Households:

1. Headship Redefined

Family headship is modelled on the sacrificial love of Christ.

- Mutual submission is the cornerstone (5:21)
- Wives submit out of ultimate trust in Christ (5:22)
- Husbands love sacrificially as Christ loved the church (5:25)

2. Heart Parenting

Parenting is Heart Work¹

- Obedience of children to parents is God's way of providing nurture and security in households (6:1-3)
- Parenting is to be an expression of God's faithfulness and character, leading/teaching the child to grow in Christ (6:4)

3. Holy Labour

Both masters and workers answer to Christ for the nature and conduct of work.

- Motivation of serving well (6:5-8)
- Stewarding authority well (6:9)

Conclusion

Know: God is working in and through Christian households and families.

Be: Submissive to one another in the household out of reverence for Christ.

Do: Model Christ's love and faithfulness in family and work relationships.

¹ Parenting is Heart Work, Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller

REFLECTION / DISCUSSION

1. What is the most meaningful aspect of mutual submission in marriage for you?

For Kids:

What is one thing you could pray to God for your parents?

2. How do you model God's faithfulness to your children (or those under your care)?

For Kids:

When do you find obeying your parents hard to do? Would you ask God for His help in obeying your parents?

3. What aspects of your household or work life do you find God-honouring?

For Kids:

Ask your parents how you can pray for their daily work (whether in office or at home)

SONG OF DEDICATION O Lord, May Church and Home Combine

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O Lord, may church and home combine
To teach Thy perfect way
With gentleness and love like Thine
That none shall ever stray

Shine, Light divine; Reveal Thy face
Where darkness else might be
Grant, Love divine, in every place
Glad fellowship with Thee

Let all unworthy aims depart
Imbue us with Thy grace
Within the home let every heart
Become Thy dwelling place

May steadfast faith and earnest prayer
Keep sacred vows secure
Build Thou a hallowed dwelling
Where true joy and peace endure

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	Belonging to God's Household <i>(Ephesians 5:21 – 6:9)</i>
Preacher	Mr Tan Chong Jin
Liturgist	Mrs Esther Wong
Worship Leaders	Mrs Angela Khong, Mr Aylwin Oon
Reader	Mr Ryan Loke
Musicians	Ms Amelia Loo, Mr Tairven Lee Mr Edwin Oon
Sound	Mr Jason Tham
Visual	Mr Seah Por Shen
Livestream	Mr Chuah Chang En

December 24, 2021

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (10PM)

Sermon Title/Text	God with Us: the New Normal <i>(Luke 2:1-20)</i>
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya
Liturgist	Ms Iris Ang
Praise Leaders	Mrs Gerviene Sya Ms Goh Yi Jane
Reader	Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang
Musician	Mr Daniel Khoo
Recording	Mr Chuah Chang En

December 25, 2021

Christmas Day Service (10AM)

Sermon Title/Text	Hope in the Midst of Pandemic <i>(Luke 2:8-17)</i>
Preacher	Bishop Joshua Khong
Praise Leaders	Mrs Jane Khoo, Ms Alanis Yeoh Ms Shereena Yoon
Reader	TBA
Musicians	Mr Daniel Khoo, Dr Melvin Saw Mr Loo Choo Hin, Ms Adelya Yeoh
Sound	Mr Jesse Ong, Mr Jason Tham
Livestream	Ms Wong Fong Yi
Visual	Mr Calvin Fong

Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	TBA
Preacher	Dr Khoo Cheok Kau
Liturgist	Dr Cheah Ui Hock
Reader	Mrs Mary Wolf
Musician	Dr Melvin Saw
Sound	Mr Chuah Chang En
Livestream	Ms Wong Fong Yi
Visual	Mr Calvin Fong

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)

WEEKLY PRAYER

World

- As we watch and wait expectantly for an end to this global pandemic, pray for South Korea, where more than 7,000 new COVID-19 transmissions are happening daily. Pray too, for the many countries that are reporting their highest COVID-19 numbers in months, and for all those who cannot get medical care due to overcrowded hospitals. Pray that the people will do their part to slow the spread.

Nation

- Pray for the authorities to step up public health interventions given the increased risks of reinfection from the Omicron variant. Pray that as plans are being put in place for social curbs and movement restrictions, vital economic activities will not be unduly hampered again. Pray also, that the public will exercise wisdom, self-control and vigilance to prevent another major outbreak.

Church

- Pray for preparedness and wisdom as we serve the community in the face of a possible fourth wave of the pandemic. Pray also, for authentic and faithful service, and endurance to meet the needs of those who may be reinfected in this next wave. Pray that we, as a church, will actively reach out to those in our neighbourhoods who have lost breadwinners and parents.

Self

- Pray that God will reveal to us areas in our lives that prevent us from an all-out worship of Him. Pray that we will discard our emotional masks and be real before Him, as well as with our family and friends. Pray too, that the Holy Spirit will help us to make this holiday season an offering of praise to our God, and to live our lives constantly seeking His presence.

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, please inform Angeline Choo.
- **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 – December 19

Communion Offering for December 2021 will go to House of Hope.

Coming up in December!

24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (10PM) *

25 – Christmas Day Service (10AM) *

31 – Watchnight Covenant Service (10PM) *

* **Online only**

2021 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/TMCBible2021>

Vacancies:

TMCK Teachers / Asst. Teachers / Cleaner

Please call Mrs Teong at 04-826 0724

or submit resume to

kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org.

E-Offering

Scan the QR code with the Touch n Go app

Key-in the amount and press **Confirm**

Trinity Penang

Moving towards In Person Worship: Phase 1 began December 5, 2021

	PHASE 1: 4 WEEKS	PHASE 2: 4 WEEKS	PHASE 3: N WEEKS
VENUES <small>for Worship Services, Funerals, Weddings, Broadcasts, TMCK etc.</small>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare dedicated venues to meet new health standards Worship Service Broadcast, Committee Meetings, Church Office etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Venues meet new health standards for in person worship, smaller community events and gatherings of up to 40 pax 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Venues ready for expanded in-person worship services and other community events Reactivation of existing worship services depending on demand
Dedicated venues for isolation, medical emergencies			
CAPACITY	20 Pax <small>Worship Enablers Only</small>	40* Pax <small>Including Worship Enablers</small>	40 + 40 Pax <small>Including Worship Enablers</small>
PREREQUISITE	<p>(Worship Enablers & Staff Only)</p>		

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