

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Father's Day

June 19, 2022

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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

***Personal Growth, Building Community,
A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World***

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

“As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him;
for He knows how we are formed,
He remembers that we are dust.”

Psalm 103:13-14, NIV

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

L: We are called to this place to celebrate God’s wondrous love.

P: We are called to honour those who have taught and guided us.

L: For those who have gone before us, who have been our guides;

P: For our fathers and mothers, we offer thanks and praise.

L: God’s Spirit has drawn us together. Let us listen to His Word.

P: Lord, open our ears to hear Your words of hope and peace. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER**OPENING SONG**

This is My Father’s World

UMH 144

This is my Father's world
And to my listening ears
All nature sings and around me rings
Music of the spheres
This is my Father's world
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world
The birds, their carols raise
The morning light, the lily white
Declare their Maker's praise

This is my Father's world
He shines in all that's fair
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass
He speaks to me everywhere

This is my Father's world
O, let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong
God is the Ruler yet
This is my Father's world
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King, let the heavens ring!
God reigns, let the earth be glad!

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart
Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art
And make me love Thee as I ought to love

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies
No sudden rending of the veil of clay
No angel visitant, no opening skies
But take the dimness of my soul away

Hast Thou not bid me love Thee, God and King?
All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind
I see Thy cross; there teach my heart to cling
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love
One holy passion filling all my frame
The kindling of the heaven-descended Dove
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame

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A PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY (Unison)

Heavenly Father,

We pray for fathers, father figures, and fatherhood across the world. Your Word clearly instructs fathers to bring up their children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. We thank You for the men who are leading their families according to Your statutes and the ones that are laying their lives down for Your purposes. We pray that You will continue to use these men to lead their families and other men towards You and Your ways. We pray You will strengthen the fathers of our nation, and that You will continue to empower churches, organizations, and individuals to invest in fathers and fatherhood for the sake of our children.

We pray for the single fathers out there. We pray for strength, protection, wisdom, and discernment to help them through whatever trials they may be facing. Thank You, Lord, for these men and their faithfulness. Would You strengthen them and grant them favour with their offspring and with You.

We pray for the fathers out there who are being alienated from their children. We pray against anger, bitterness, and pride that might be keeping up a barrier between them and their children. Do not let resentment destroy them as men, as fathers, or as Your children.

Lord, we lift up to you fathers who are not stepping up to their responsibilities as fathers, for whatever reason. We pray for all fathers to find forgiveness in You when they fall short of Your good design for their role in the family. We also pray for children and mothers who are parenting alone in the absence of a father figure. We pray You would step in as Father to the fatherless and a defender of widows in these situations, and that their story would be a testimony to Your goodness and tender love.

Finally, Lord, we lift up the men and women that are on the front lines in the battle for fatherhood and the war against fatherlessness. You clearly put leaders of all calibres in positions of influence: from the highest ranks to the lowest. We know that with men these initiatives would fall short, but with You all things are possible. We pray for everything, from the right funding for such programs to continue, to godly leadership from beginning to end. We pray for a revival of fatherhood across the nation, and for fathers to lead their families by beginning each day on their knees. We are desperate not only for earthly fathers to rise up to being good fathers in their own right, but more importantly, that they would follow You, our Heavenly Father, as their ultimate guide and example.

We humbly ask all this in the loving name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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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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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

(...Those leaving for their Sunday School Classes will stand...)

Pastor: Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord.

Children: For He is good, and His love endures forever.

People: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Lord, Speak to Me

UMH 463

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of Thy tone
As Thou hast sought, so let me seek
Thine erring children lost and lone

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show

O strengthen me, that while I stand
Firm on the rock, and strong in Thee
I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea

O use me, Lord, use even me
Just as Thou wilt, and when, and where
Until Thy blessed face I see
Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart
And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart

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SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 30:1-25

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Finding Strength in the Lord

Mr Tan Chong Jin

SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Finding Strength in the Lord

Scripture Passage: 1 Samuel 30:1-25

Key Verse: 1 Samuel 30:6 (NIV)

David was greatly distressed because the men were talking of stoning him; each one was bitter in spirit because of his sons and daughters. But David found strength in the Lord his God.

Introduction

- David joined the Philistines for war but was providentially excused from battle (1 Samuel 29)
- Upon returning to Ziklag, David found his homebase raided and the families captured (1 Samuel 30:1-3)
- David strengthened himself in the LORD and God enabled him to launch a rescue mission (1 Samuel 30:6-7)

Finding strength in the LORD involves:

1. Renewing Your Strength

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. (Isaiah 40:31a)

- The ability to draw strength from God comes from a faith relationship with God
- David received a word of breakthrough from the Lord that enabled him to realign his men to focus on the task at hand

2. Rebuilding God's People

And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skilful hands he led them. (Psalm 78:72)

- David refocused his men based on the authority of God's revealed word (1 Samuel 30:7-8)
- David kept the unity of his men when some of them were too exhausted while pursuing the enemy (1 Samuel 30:9-10, 21-25)

3. Recovering the Lost

Kingdom work involves recovering what was lost to the enemy.

- David and his men recovered all their families and possessions (1 Samuel 30:18-20)
- Jesus came to bind the strong man (Satan) and recovered what was lost to him (Mark 3:27)
- We serve under the power and authority of Christ to recover the lost through the Gospel

REFLECTION / DISCUSSION

1. In what ways are you able to find strength in the Lord in times of trouble?

For Kids:

How does trusting in Jesus help you overcome problems?

2. How can we help build others up in unity within families and the church community?

For Kids:

Why is unity important in any family or church?

3. What needs to be redeemed/recovered for Christ in your own life and in the lives around you?

For Kids:

Pray with your parents about helping those in need around you (e.g. in school or in your neighbourhood)

CLOSING SONG

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH 117

O God, our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come
Our shelter from the stormy blast
And our eternal home!

A thousand ages, in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Still may we dwell secure
Sufficient is Thine arm alone
And our defence is sure

Time, like an ever rolling stream
Bears all who breathe away
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame
From everlasting, thou art God
To endless years the same

O God, our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come
Be Thou our guide while life shall last
And our eternal home

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	Finding Strength in the Lord (1 Samuel 30:1-25)
Preacher	Mr Tan Chong Jin
Liturgist	Ms Iris Ang
Reader	Mrs Rosalind Khoo
Musician	Mr Seah Por Shen
Sound	Mr Teh Seong Hong
Livestream	Mr David Law
Visual	Ms Emmy Chia
Ushers	Mr Mak Ngai Leong Mrs Maggie Mak Mr Khoo Boo Thye Ms Tan Yu Ai

Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	The End of the Beginning (1 Samuel 31:1-13)
Preacher	Dr Khoo Cheek Kau
Worship Leaders	Mrs Lim Huey Yoke, Mrs Lee Wee Lyn Ms Alanis Yeoh
Reader	Mrs Janet Ng
Musicians	Mr Daniel Khoo, Mr Tairven Lee Mr Edwin Oon
Sound	Mr Jesse Ong
Livestream	Mr Chuah Chang En
Visual	Mr Seah Por Shen
Ushers	Mrs Connie Lim Ms Sharon Wong Ms Emmy Chia Ms Tan Yu Ai

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
Sungai Ara II Small Group –
Jason Chieng
3.30pm Boys' Brigade (Seniors)

MONDAY

- 8.00pm Lighthouse Watchmen Prayer Network
(LWPN), Bayan Lepas – Teng Leong

TUESDAY

- 8.00pm 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 –
<http://bit.ly/tmcprayer>
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 – Ooi Lay Chen
Island Glades – Tan Kok Huat (2nd & 4th)

SATURDAY

- 10:30am Permai Village Small Group –
Daniel Teh
Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
Small Groups:
5.45pm Young Families – Tairven Lee
Young Families 2 – James Hii
8.00pm Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong
8:30pm Sungai Ara I – Florence Tan (fortnightly)

WEEKLY PRAYER

World

- Pray for the St Francis Catholic Church in Owo, Nigeria, that was recently attacked by armed men. Pray for God's healing upon the injured and comfort over those who have lost loved ones. Pray that they will experience God's presence in a tangible way, and will continue to gather to worship Him. Pray for God's intervention and His mercy, that violent attacks will stop and His peace will prevail.

Nation

- Pray that God will raise wise and righteous leaders who will uphold justice and equity among all races, and bring high-profile cases to a close. Pray also, that our government will implement swift measures to alleviate the escalating costs of healthcare, food and other essential items, which have disproportionately impacted the B40 households and those in the middle-income bracket.

Church

- As more and more ministries resume meeting in person, pray that we will be able to reconnect with one another and rebuild the spiritual community that was absent in the lives of many of God's people. Pray that by reconnecting with one another, we will display the beauty of Christ in a Christ-shaped community that pleases God, and experience His favour as we gather together as one.

Self

- Pray that we will be reminded that daily fellowship with God is what matures us as believers, increases our faith and confidence in God; giving us a better knowledge of who God wants us to be and how He would have us live. Pray that He will reveal Himself to us more and more, and that we will be able to recognize His voice as He speaks to us.

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.
- **Floral Gifts:** Please contact the church office or email office@penangtrinity.org.
- **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 – June 19

Communion Offering for June 2022 will go to Penang Hospice Society.



Penang Trinity Education Aid

Registration is open from Jul 1 – Aug 15, 2022. To register/for more information, please contact the church office.

D6 Malaysia Family Conference – July 2

Generational Discipleship

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/d6malaysia2022>

For more info: <https://d6malaysia.com>

Floral Calendar (June-December 2022) is ready for booking at the reception area.

2022 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmc bible2022>

Prayer Request Form - <https://bit.ly/tmcprayforme>. All requests are confidential unless permission is given to circulate to larger prayer group.

Covid Care Form

<http://bit.ly/tmcpcovidcare>

Baptism & Membership Class

If interested, please contact the church office.

Pray for Malaysia

June 19, 8pm – 9pm (TONIGHT)
To join, go to <https://pray.smced.org/>

Penang Bible Reading Marathon

1-4 September 2022

To register/for more information, contact Vivian Lim at 013-401 0551

TRAC MW 47th Annual Conference

September 16-18, 2022

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