

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / National Sunday

August 28, 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**

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**P: *May He continue to establish peace on earth, and help us understand that it begins in our hearts. Amen.***

**OPENING PRAYER****ACTS OF PRAISE**Because He Lives

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus  
He came to love, heal, and forgive  
He lived and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove my Saviour lives

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives, all fear is gone  
Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth the living just because He lives*

How sweet to hold a newborn baby  
And feel the pride and joy he gives  
But greater still the calm assurance  
This child can face uncertain days because He lives

And then one day, I'll cross the river  
I'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then as death gives way to victory  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives

## Holy Spirit, We Welcome You

Holy Spirit, we welcome You  
Holy Spirit, we welcome You  
Move among us with holy fire  
As we lay aside all earthly desire  
Hands reach out and our hearts aspire  
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit  
Holy Spirit, we welcome You

Holy Spirit, we welcome You  
Holy Spirit, we welcome You  
Please accomplish in us today  
Some new work of loving grace we pray  
Unreservedly have Your way  
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit  
Holy Spirit, we welcome You

Holy Spirit, we welcome You  
Holy Spirit, we welcome You  
Let the breeze of Your presence blow  
That Your children here might truly know  
How to move in the Spirit's flow  
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit  
Holy Spirit, we welcome You

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## Spirit, Touch Your Church

Lord, we need Your grace and mercy  
We need to pray like never before  
We need the power of Your Holy Spirit  
To open heaven's door

*Spirit, touch Your church, stir the hearts of men*  
*Revive us, Lord, with Your passion once again*  
*I want to care for others like Jesus cares for me*  
*Let Your rain fall upon me, let Your rain fall upon me*

Lord, we humbly come before You  
We don't deserve of You what we ask  
But we yearn to see Your glory  
Restore this dying land

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## **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.

## **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.

**REFLECTION / DISCUSSION**

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**CLOSING SONG**

## Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

*My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Saviour has ransomed me  
And like a flood, His mercy rains  
Unending love, amazing grace*

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**OPENING PRAYER****OPENING SONG**

Come, Thou Almighty King

UMH 61

Come, Thou almighty King  
Help us Thy name to sing  
Help us to praise!  
Father all glorious  
O'er all victorious  
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, Holy Comforter  
Thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour  
Thou who almighty art  
Now rule in every heart  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!

Come, Thou incarnate Word  
Gird on Thy mighty sword  
Our prayer attend!  
Come, and Thy people bless  
And give Thy word success  
Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

To Thee, great One in Three  
Eternal praises be  
Hence, evermore  
Thy sovereign majesty  
May we in glory see  
And to eternity love and adore!

*“Come, Thou Almighty King”*  
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## **SONG OF PRAYER**

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

UMH 715

Rejoice, the Lord is King!  
Your Lord and King adore  
Mortals, give thanks and sing  
And triumph evermore

*Lift up your heart*  
*Lift up your voice*  
*Rejoice, again I say*  
*Rejoice*

Jesus the Saviour reigns  
The God of truth and love  
When He had purged our stains  
He took His seat above

His kingdom cannot fail  
He rules o'er earth and heaven  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus given

Rejoice in glorious hope!  
Jesus the Judge shall come  
And take His servants up  
To their eternal home

*We soon shall hear*  
*The archangel's voice*  
*The trump of God shall sound*  
*Rejoice!*

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## **SONG OF PREPARATION**

Fill My Cup, Lord

UMH 641

Fill my cup, Lord  
I lift it up, Lord  
Come and quench this thirsting of my soul  
Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more  
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole

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## **SERMON**

Merdeka Message

Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang

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## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Merdeka Message

**BIG IDEA: Only in Christ Jesus do we find true Freedom.**

1. Freedom & the Nation

2. Freedom & the Individual

3. Freedom & God

**Know** that God has set you free from sin.

**Be** free and unafraid to obey and serve Him.

**Do** serve and witness to His love that others too may be free to be freed by Him.

## Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

28/08/2022

**Sermon Title**

**Preacher**

**Liturgist**

**Worship Leaders**

**Musicians**

**Sound**

**Livestream**

**Visual**

**Ushers**

**Finance Steward**

10.00 am Service

Merdeka Message

Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang

n/a

Mr Amos Lau

Mrs Lee Wee Lyn

Ms Shereena Yoon

Ms Amelia Loo

Mr Tairven Lee

Mr Edwin Oon

Mr Jesse Ong

Mr David Law

Ms Wong Fong Yi

Ms Sharon Wong

Ms Emmy Chia

Mr Oon Chee Soon

Mrs Connie Lim

Mrs Wan Soo Har

5.00 pm Service

Merdeka Message

Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang

Mrs Esther Wong

n/a

Mr Chuah Chang En

n/a

Mr Chuah Chang En

Dr Mallise Tong

Mdm Aileen Tan

n/a

## Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

04/09/2022

**Sermon Title/Text**

**Preacher**

**Liturgist**

**Reader**

**Musician**

**Sound**

**Livestream**

**Visual**

**Ushers**

**Finance Steward**

10.00 am Service

TBA

Mr Tan Chong Jin

Mr Daniel Teh

TBA

Mr Seah Por Shen

Mr Tan Siew Jin

Ms Wong Fong Yi

Mr Koay Choong Khai

Mrs Mary Wolf

Ms Teo Lay Tinn

Mr Richard Lim

Mrs Falonee Lim

Ms Cheong Sau Chan

5.00 pm Service

TBA

Mr Tan Chong Jin

Dr Cheah Ui Hock

TBA

Mrs Audrey Tan

Mr Andrew Lee

n/a

Mr Joshua Timothy

Mr Tony Teh

Ms Tan Yu Ai

n/a

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

### **THURSDAY**

- 8.30pm Church Prayer Meeting –  
<http://bit.ly/tmcprayer>  
9.00pm Tree Residency Small Group  
– Jesse Ong

### **FRIDAY**

- Small Groups:  
3.00pm Cheeseman Rd (Bethel) – Sabrina Lee  
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 – Ooi Lay Chen  
Island Glades – Tan Kok Huat (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)

### **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 that churches around the world will be good stewards, sharing the abundance God has richly blessed them with, with the marginalized, the poor, the disabled, the elderly and the sick. Pray for comfort, hope and practical aid to reach those affected by natural disasters such as bushfires (Spain, Portugal), plagues (China, Congo) as well as floods and mudslides that destroy homes and livelihoods.

### Nation

- Pray that the current pool of educators will be further trained and exposed to different teaching methods, so that they will be equipped to contribute to the growth and advancement of our education system. Pray also, for an equitable system in the Education Ministry to provide appropriate placements for all students in public colleges and universities, irrespective of ethnicity or religion.

### Church

- Pray that we will continue to be anchored in Christ and His Word, following His teachings, and pursuing a new way of life as His disciples. Pray that our theology, doctrines, faith and identity in Him are guarded and preserved from generation to generation. Pray too, that we will love and care for one another, and be sensitive to the work and leading of the Holy Spirit in our deeds and conversations with others.

### Self

- Pray for our family members, friends, co-workers, neighbours and those whom we encounter, who do not yet know Christ as their Lord and Saviour. Pray that God will use us as His instruments to share the good news of the gospel with them, so that they may come to a saving knowledge of His love and sacrifice for each and every one of 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: From Mdm Helen Lim Siew Hong in Thanksgiving.
- 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 28

Communion Offering for August 2022 will go to Penang Cheshire Home.

Communion Offering for September 2022 will go to Kawan Centre.



### 10AM / 5PM Service

- ✗ *Booking of Seats – Not required (Capped at 220)*
- ✓ *Record names of attendees – Required*
- ✓ *MySejahtera checks – Required*
- ✓ *Masks, Social Distancing – Required (6 per pew)*

### Penang Bible Reading Marathon

1-4 September 2022

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

### Teaching - An Honourable Vocation?

September 3, 2022 (10am – 12 noon)

For more information, contact  
Rev. Earnest Tan 012-459 1055  
William Lim 012-493 7007

### NECF 40-Days Fast & Prayer

<https://tiny.cc/40daysbooklet>

### Coming up in September

23 – Renewal Service (8:30PM)

24 – 2<sup>nd</sup> LC / 5<sup>th</sup> LCEC Meeting (9:30AM)  
Renewal Service (8:30PM)

25 – 65<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Combined Service (10AM)

### Baptism & Membership Class

If interested, please contact the church office.

### 2022 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmcbible2022>

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/tmcpccovidcare>

**Floral Calendar** (September – December 2022) is ready for booking at the reception area.

### Senior Interaction Day

September 10, 3pm – 5pm @ GYM  
To register/for more information, contact Angela Khong at 016-470 0680

### TRAC MW 47th Annual Conference

September 16-18, 2022  
For more information, contact Angela Khong at 016-470 0680