

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

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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 at the fellowship area."



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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

“Surely Your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.”

Psalm 23:6, NIV

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

L: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

P: *Why should we be afraid?*

L: The Lord is the stronghold of our life!

P: *What have we to fear?*

L: Let us shout with joy to the Lord, our God!

P: *Let us sing and make music before our God. Amen.*

OPENING PRAYER**ACTS OF PRAISE**

Segala Puji Syukur

Segala puji syukur hanya bagi-Mu Tuhan
Sebab Kau yang layak dipuja
Kami mau bersorak, tinggikan Nama-Mu
Haleluya

*Soraklah Haleluya, soraklah Haleluya
Haleluya*

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day, when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

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What A Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God, the Lord, Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You, our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever, God, You reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all Names

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

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PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

1. Pray for the families of victims of the recent Nepal planet crash that claimed the lives of all 72 on board. Pray for greater preventive measures for all parties involved.
2. Pray for Malaysians travelling over the CNY period. Pray for all travelling to be safe, responsible, and considerate of others in their commute.
3. Pray for Penang Trinity to seek the Lord for spiritual blessings, that we might be enabled to be a church that is more devoted to Him in every way.
4. Pray for ourselves to seek to be a blessing to others - to focus more on others rather than ourselves.

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

Give to: MBB 5072 4612 6505 (Trinity Methodist Church Penang)
Please indicate for "Offering/Pledge" or "Poor & Needy" in Recipient Reference
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 Zechariah 10:1-12

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

God's Renewed Blessings

Mr Tan Chong Jin

REFLECTION / DISCUSSION

1. What are areas of your life do you need to leave behind?
2. What are areas of your life where God is presently working? Have you surrendered these areas to Him?
3. In what ways you are planting for the next generation in imparting faith or a spiritual legacy?

CLOSING SONG

Refiner's Fire

Purify my heart
Let me be as gold
And precious silver
Purify my heart
Let me be as gold
Pure gold

Purify my heart
Cleanse me from within
And make me holy
Purify my heart
Cleanse me from my sin
Deep within

*Refiner's fire
My heart's one desire
Is to be holy
Set apart for You, Lord
I choose to be holy
Set apart for You, my Master
Ready to do Your will*

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

SERMON OUTLINE

Title: God's Renewed Blessings

Scripture Passage: Zechariah 10:1-12

BIG IDEA: God's renewed blessings bring to completion what He has planted in you.

Key Verses: Zechariah 10:1a, 12 (NIV)

Ask the Lord for rain in the springtime;

"I will strengthen them in the Lord and in his name they will live securely," declares the Lord.

Introduction

- Zechariah was written to encourage God's people who had returned from exile to refocus their efforts to rebuild the temple and live rightly before God.
- Through the prophet, God gave His people visions of His complete restoration for the nation.
- The spring rains in Israel are necessary to bring the grain crops to maturity – this symbolises God's work to bring to completion what He has planned for His people.

Experiencing God's renewed blessing include being:

1. Renewed from the Past

God's redemption is complete.

- When God restores His people, He chooses not to hold their past sins against them. (Zech 10:6)
- We need to leave behind everything that hinders us. (Heb 12:1-2)
- Repent from sin; be Released from guilt and shame; be Ready to win the battle over sin and darkness.

2. Renewed in the Present

God brings to completion what He has planted in us.

- If we are in Christ, God works for our ultimate good. (Romans 8:28)
- Zechariah shows the time of God's renewed blessings will not be without struggles or difficulties. (Zech 10:5, 10-12)
- Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but the dark powers of sin (Eph 6:12) but we have victory through Christ. (Col 2:15, 1 Cor 15:54-58)

3. Renewed for the Future

God's renewed blessings is for generations.

- The scope of God's renewed blessings is also for future generations.
- Zechariah saw the next generation experiencing God's restoration. (Zech 10:7)
- Sow and plant for the Lord for the next generation.

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Combined Service (CNY Day 1)</u>
Sermon Title/Text	God's Renewed Blessings (<i>Zechariah 10:1-12</i>)
Preacher	Mr Tan Chong Jin
Worship Leaders	Mr Amos Lau, Ms Alanis Yeoh
Reader	Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang
Musician	Ms Amelia Loo, Mrs Nicoline Koay
Sound	Mr Jason Tham, Ms Roshni George
Livestream	Ms Wong Fong Yi
Visual	Mr Koay Choong Khai
Ushers	Dr Ho Seng Hooi Mrs Maggie Mak Mr Mak Ngai Leong

Next Week's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
Sermon Title/Text	TBA	TBA
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya	Rev Shearn Sya
Liturgist	n/a	Mr Mak Ngai Leong
Worship Leaders	Mrs Gerviene Sya, Mrs Lee Wee Lyn	
Reader	Mrs Rosalind Khoo	Mrs Maggie Mak
Musicians	Mr Daniel Khoo, Ms Emily Ngu Ms Adelya Yeoh, Mr Shane Tan	TBA
Sound	Mr Jason Tham	Ms Roshni George
Livestream	Mr David Law	n/a
Visual	Mr Joshua Timothy	Ms Roshni George
Ushers	Mrs Connie Lim Dr Ho Seng Hooi Ms Sharon Wong Ms Tan Yu Ai	Ms Vivian Lim Mr George Tan
Finance Steward	Ms Cheong Sau Chan	n/a

ONLINE MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

- 9.15am Church School
10.00am Worship Service in English
12.30pm Methodist Youth Fellowship
1.30pm Young Families 1 Small Group –
Tairven Lee
3.00pm Post Alpha Small Group
Sungai Ara II Small Group –
Jason Chieng
3.00pm Boys' Brigade

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)
11.00am 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 (2nd & 4th)

SATURDAY

- 10:30am Permai Village Small Group –
Daniel Teh
Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
Small Groups:
8.00pm Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong
8.15pm Young Families 2 – James Hii
8.30pm Sungai Ara I – Florence Tan (fortnightly)

WEEKLY PRAYER

World

- About one million Rohingyas from Myanmar are living in crowded facilities in refugee camps in Bangladesh. Many continue to take risky boat trips to Indonesia or Malaysia in the hope of finding new homes. Recently, 180 Rohingyas drowned as they tried to flee desperate conditions in these camps. Pray that God will intervene so that they may find new homes to rebuild their lives.

Nation

- Pray for the stability of the Sabah state government as coalition parties jostle for control again. Pray for a quick resolution so that the welfare of the people will not be neglected, especially those who were recently affected by the floods and king tide disasters. Pray for capable leaders of integrity. Pray also, for sustainable reforms and policies to be implemented swiftly and effectively.

Church

- Give thanks to God for bringing us together as a church. Pray that we will endeavour to be the salt and light wherever He has placed us. Pray that our presence will be a positive influence in the community we live and work in. Pray that our actions will promote good to the people around us. Pray also, that our presence will point people to Christ, Who is our ultimate source of hope and grace.

Self

- Pray that we will desire to be diligent and faithful disciples, yearning to know God more and more each day. Pray that the Holy Spirit will fill us anew, refresh our hearts and strengthen our minds so that we may be empowered to persevere and live out our in faith in victory. Pray that we will be a people after God's own heart, ready to do His will. Pray that our words and actions will point others to Him.

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

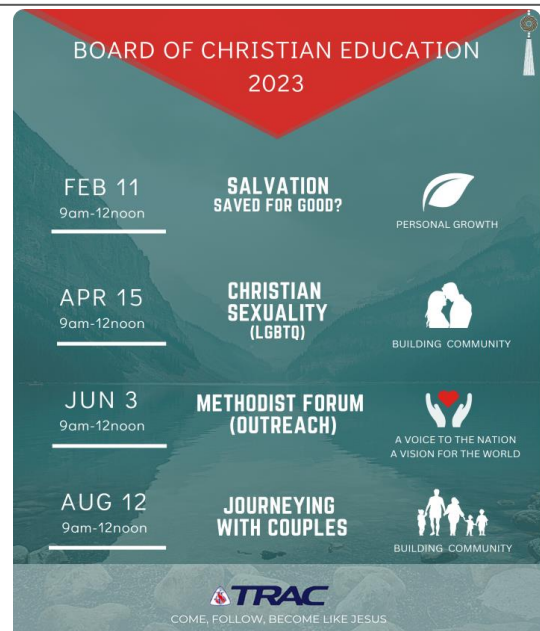
- Sermons and past worship services are available online (<http://replay.penangtrinity.org>).
- Visitation ministry for the homebound, please inform Angeline Choo.
- **Floral Gifts:** From Mrs Chua Suan Ewe in loving memory of Mr Chua Chong Aun, and from Andy Wang & family and Mr & Mrs Edwin Chan in 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 – January 22

Communion Offering for January 2023 will go to the poor and needy students of MBS and MGS.

Prayer Request Form – <https://bit.ly/tmcpayforme>.

All requests are confidential unless permission is given to circulate to larger prayer group.



10AM / 5PM Service

- ✗ *Booking of Seats – Not required*
- ✗ *MySejahtera checks – Not required*
- ✓ *Record names of attendees – Required*
- ✓ *Masks, Social Distancing – Strongly encouraged*

The **2023 Floral Calendar** is ready for booking at the reception area.

2023 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmcbible2023>

MW Line Dancing

Resumes February 1, 2023

Bethel, 10am – 12 noon (Wednesdays)

MW CNY Potbless – February 11, 2023

Venue: Bethel, 10am – 12 noon. For more information, please contact Angela Khong at 016-4700 680.

Vacancies: Accounts Clerk

Certificate/Diploma in Accountancy or equivalent professional qualification, with relevant working experience and skilled in using Excel functions for accounting purposes. To apply, please submit resume to joinus@penangtrinity.org.

Vacancies: Kindergarten Teacher

Christian, Diploma in Early Childhood Education, fluent in English and Bahasa Melayu.

Vacancies: Assistant Teacher

Christian, SPM qualification, fluent in English.

To apply, please submit resume to joinus@penangtrinity.org or WhatsApp 012-500 9238.