

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG

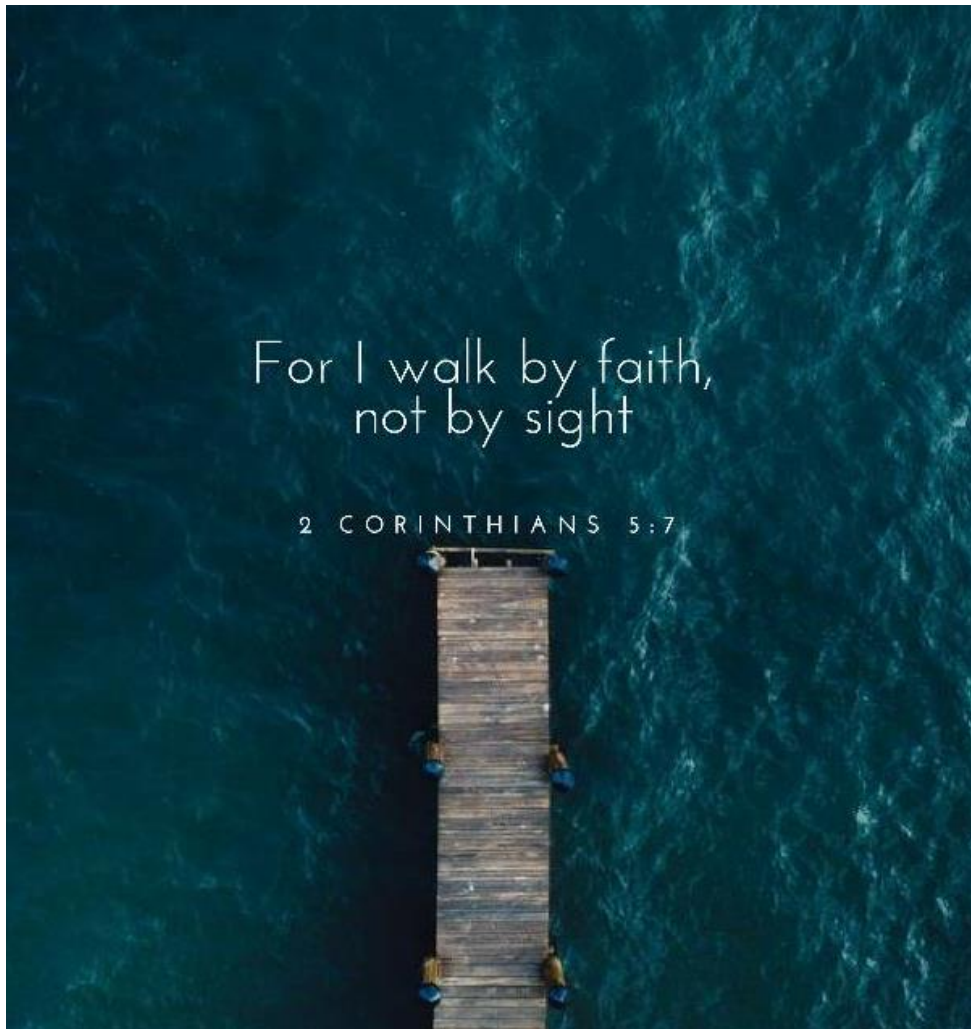


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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

***"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**

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and extol Him with music and song.”

*Psalm 95:1-2, NIV*

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**P: We will call upon the Lord.**

L: Once we were no people.

**P: Now, we are God's people. Amen.**

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

Jesus Shall Reign

UMH 157

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does its successive journeys run  
His kingdom spread from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more

Blessings abound where'er he reigns  
All prisoners leap and loose their chains  
The weary find eternal rest  
And all who suffer want are blest

To Jesus endless prayer be made  
And endless praises crown his head  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise  
With every morning sacrifice

Let every creature rise and bring  
Honours peculiar to our King  
Angels descend with songs again  
And earth repeat the loud amen!

People and realms of every tongue  
Dwell on His love with sweetest song  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on His name

He is Lord, He is Lord!  
He is risen from the dead, and He is Lord!  
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Lord  
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4. Pray for ourselves, that we would persevere through the challenges, temptations, and distractions of this world to closely walk with the Lord by faith, and not by sight, in every area of our lives.

**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.

## **SONG OF PREPARATION**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

UMH 454

Open my eyes, that I may see  
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me  
Place in my hands the wonderful key  
That shall unclasp and set me free

*Silently now I wait for Thee  
Ready, my God, Thy will to see  
Open my ears, illumine me  
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## **SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 5:17-26

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

Faith for Another:  
Marks of Authentic and Sincere Faith

Ms Chrisanne Chin

## **REFLECTION / DISCUSSION**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

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Signs of the Times

Ms Chrisanne Chin

**HOLY COMMUNION****REFLECTION / DISCUSSION**



## **CLOSING SONG**

### And Can It Be that I Should Gain (stanzas 1, 2, 4, 5)

UMH 363

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## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

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	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Faith for Another: Marks of Authentic and Sincere Faith ( <i>Luke 5:17-26</i> )	Signs of the Times ( <i>Hebrews 12:18-29</i> )
<b>Preacher</b>	Ms Chrisanne Chin	Ms Chrisanne Chin
<b>Liturgist</b>	Dr Khoo Cheek Kau	Mr Lim Lai Keat
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Khoo Jarreh	Dr Chuah Hock Aun
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Seah Por Shen	TBA
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Tan Siew Jin	Mr William Ng
<b>Visual</b>	Ms Tan Yu Ai	Mr William Ng
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Richard Lim, Mrs Falonee Lim Ms Sally Koay, Ms Emmy Chia	Mr Tony Teh Mrs Cheah Kai Choo
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Liew Chin Yee Mdm Low Sheek Yin Mr Yee Eh Horng	n/a

## Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	TBA	TBA
<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Shearn Sya	Rev Shearn Sya
<b>Liturgist</b>	n/a	Mrs Loo Li Lin
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Lim Huey Yoke, Mrs Lee Wee Lyn	n/a
<b>Reader</b>	Dr Chan Kit Lam	Ms Vanessa Goh
<b>Musicians</b>	Mr Daniel Khoo, Mr Edwin Oon Mrs Nicoline Koay	Ms Amelia Ioo
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jesse Ong	Ms Roshni George
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Koay Choong Khai	Ms Roshni George
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<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Cheong Kum Loong Ms Tan Siew Ngoh Ms Wong Choon Moi Ms Helen Aw	Ms Lilian Yeoh Mdm Aileen Tan
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Mr Ling Lek Chian Mr Tan Kok Huat Mdm Keow Poh Lean	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
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### **TUESDAY**

7.00pm	Young Adults III – Gerviene Sya
7.30pm	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)
11.00am	Church Office Staff Meeting
3.00pm	Galilee Kopitiam (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed)

### **THURSDAY**

8.30pm	Church Prayer Meeting – <a href="http://bit.ly/tmcprayer">http://bit.ly/tmcprayer</a>
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
1:30pm	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

- Kenyan police have found over 80 bodies and dozens of starving people, believed to be linked to a cult that encourages its followers to starve themselves to gain salvation. Pray that God will comfort the families of those who have lost their lives. Pray also, that the remaining followers will come to know that true salvation comes from our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, and no one else.

### Nation

- Pray for success in our nation's fight against corruption and white-collar crime at all levels of government and society. Pray that the institutions of our government will be pillars of integrity and justice. Pray also, for political stability, given recent developments on persistent leadership insecurities and underlying coalition tensions. Pray against any scheme or plot to destabilise the current government.

### Church

- Pray that every one of us will be faithful ambassadors of the risen Christ; pure in heart, gracious in speech, diligent in prayer and in studying God's Word. Pray that our youth and young children will continue to grow in the faith and wisdom of God, gaining favour with both God and man. Pray also, that they will be protected from the negative influences and temptations of the digital world.

### Self

- Pray that we will consistently strive towards an intimate relationship with God – desiring to know Him more, to understand His Word, and growing to be more like Him each day. Pray that we will put on the full armour of God to stand firm in this fallen world. Pray also, that our ears will be tuned to hear His still small voice as He guides and journeys with us each day.

# 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 Annie 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 – May 7

We thank Ms Chrisanne Chin for bringing God’s Word to us today.

Communion Offering for May 2023 will go to Asia Community Services.

## Coming up in May!

14 – Mother’s Day

20 – 3<sup>rd</sup> LCEC Meeting

## 2023 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmc bible2023>

## 10AM / 5PM Service

✗ *Booking of Seats – Not required*

✗ *MySejahtera checks – Not required*

✓ *Record names of attendees – Required*

✓ *Masks, Social Distancing – Strongly encouraged*



## 2023 Church Camp

July 7-9 | Marina Island Panakor Resort & Hotel

RM350 (Ages 13 and above)

RM100 (Ages 4-12)

Go to <http://linktr.ee/penangtrinity> to register.

Closing date: May 31, 2023

## Faces of Trinity | May 7, 14 & 21

After service till 12:30pm

Please have your portraits taken after service.

This year, we invite all small groups to gather as a small group for group photo.

## Galilee Kopitiam

Venue: The Solid Rock

Wednesday, May 10 at 3pm. All are welcome.

## Dementia in the Community

Saturday, May 20 | 3pm – 5pm

Speakers:

Dr Alan Ch'ng Swee Hock & Dr Irene Looi

Go to <http://linktr.ee/penangtrinity> to register.

## MW Sourdough Introduction Class

Saturday, May 13 | 10am

Venue: Bethel

For more information or to register, contact:

Mrs Angela Khong 016-470 0680

## Our Methodist Heritage

Speaker: Pr Dato' Daniel Ho

May 27, 10am – 4pm | Registration fee: RM20

Closing date: May 19. For more information,

contact the Church Office or

Mr Saw Kim Guan 017-450 6890

## The Alpha Course

Starting May 14, Sundays at 3pm.

For more information or to register, contact

Vivian Lim at 013-401 0551