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3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Father's Day

June 18, 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."

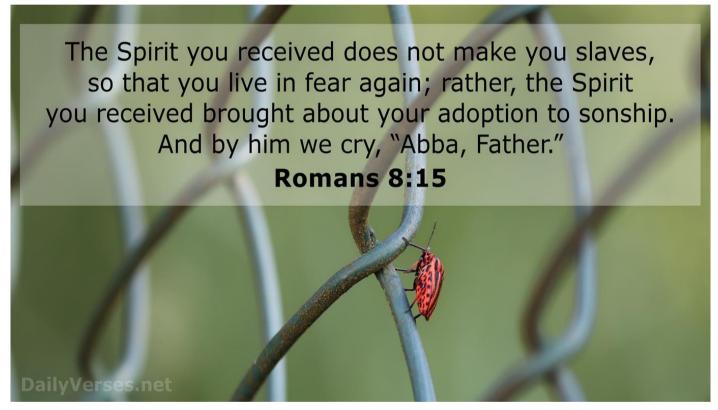


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Our Vision Nurturing Disciples to be a Spirit-filled, Impactful Church

The 4 Essentials

Personal Growth, Building Community, A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World Today's worship enablers are members of 3 Small Groups under the Tanjung Bungah zone. The SGs invite you to The Solid Rock after service today for light refreshments.

SCRIPTURE SENTENCE

"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ." *Galatians 3:26-27, NIV*

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- P: We thank You, Father, for hearing our cries.
- L: God is good; Praise be to God!
- P: His love and mercies never fail. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

ACTS OF PRAISE

We're Together Again

We're together again Praising the Lord We're together again In one accord Something good is going to happen Something good is in store We're together again Praising the Lord

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This Is The Day

This is the day, this is the day That the Lord hath made That the Lord hath made We will rejoice, we will rejoice And be glad in it And be glad in it This is the day

That the Lord hath made We will rejoice And be glad in it This is the day, this is the day That the Lord hath made

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Beauty For Ashes

He gave me beauty for ashes The oil of joy for mourning The garment of praise For the spirit of heaviness That we might be trees of righteousness The planting of the Lord That He might be glorified

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Thy Loving Kindness

Thy loving kindness is better than life Thy loving kindness is better than life My lips shall praise Thee Thus will I bless Thee Thy loving kindness is better than life

I will lift my hands up unto Thy name I will lift my hands up unto Thy name My lips shall praise Thee Thus will I bless Thee Thy loving kindness is better than life

His Name is Higher

His name is higher than any other His name is Jesus, His name is Lord (repeat) His name's a fountain of living water His name is Bread of Life to satisfy His name is healing for every nation His name is Jesus, His name is Lord

His name is Wonderful, His name is Counsellor His name is Prince of Peace, the mighty God His name is higher than any other His name is Jesus, His name is Lord

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

- 1. Continue to pray for Myanmar as over 6,000 civilians have been reported killed since the coup in 2021. Pray for peace and stability in the nation.
- 2. Pray against human trafficking in Malaysia that leaves foreign workers and refugees vulnerable and helpless due to unscrupulous agencies and employers.
- 3. Pray for all fathers and father figures in Penang Trinity this Father's Day. Pray for God to grant them wisdom, strength, and humility to love and care in the same way God cares for all His children.
- 4. Pray for ourselves to know and experience the Father heart of God, beyond the limitations of the earthly fathers we might know or be.

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.

DOXOLOGYPraise 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 READINGRomans 8:14-17Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

SKIT

SERMON Experiencing the Father Heart of God

Mr Tan Chong Jin

REFLECTION / DISCUSSION

- 1. What are some of your worst fears? Do you believe that as God's adopted children in Christ, we can live free from the bondage of constant fear?
- 2. In what ways should our identity as God's children shape our priorities and direction in life?
- 3. What is your experience of prayer? Do you tend to feel prayer as trying to convince a remote distant God, or communion with the heart of a Loving Heavenly Father?

CLOSING SONG

Behold What Manner Of Love

Behold what manner of love The Father has given unto us Behold what manner of love The Father has given unto us That we should be called The sons of God That we should be called The sons of God

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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OPENING PRAYER

OPENING SONG	Amazing Grace (stanzas 1,2,3,4)	UMH 378
	Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found Was blind, but now I see	
	'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed	
	Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far And grace will lead me home	
	The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures	
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SONG OF PRAYER

I Stand Amazed in the Presence (stanzas 1, 2, 4 & 5)

I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus the Nazarene And wonder how He could love me A sinner, condemned, unclean

How marvellous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be: How marvellous! How wonderful Is my Saviour's love for me!

For me it was in the garden He prayed: "Not My will, but Thine." He had no tears for His own griefs But sweat-drops of blood for mine

He took my sins and my sorrows He made them His very own He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see 'Twill be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me

CCLI Song #25297 "I Stand Amazed" words & music by Charles Hutchinson Gabriel © Words & Music: Public Domain CCLI Licence #620790

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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.

SONG OF PREPARATION

I Love to Tell the Story

UMH 156

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above Of Jesus and His glory Of Jesus and His love I love to tell the story Because I know 'tis true It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do

I love to tell the story 'Twill be my theme in glory To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love

I love to tell the story More wonderful it seems Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams I love to tell the story It did so much for me And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee I love to tell the story 'tis pleasant to repeat What seems, each time I tell it More wonderfully sweet I love to tell the story For some have never heard The message of salvation From God's own holy Word

I love to tell the story For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest And when, in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song 'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long

CCLI Song #29413 "I Love to Tell the Story" words & music by Arabella Katherine Hankey | William Gustavus Fischer © Words & Music: Public Domain CCLI Licence #620790

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:14-17 Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** SERMON

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CLOSING SONG

This is My Father's World

UMH 144

This is my Father's world And to my listening ears All nature sings, and round me rings The 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!

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BENEDICTION

THREE-FOLD AMEN

<u>SERMON OUTLINE</u> Title: Experiencing the Father Heart of God Scripture Passage: Romans 8:14-17

BIG IDEA: We need to experience God as our Heavenly Father

Key Verse: Romans 8:15 (NIV)

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

Introduction

- When we place our faith and trust in Jesus as Lord and Saviour, we receive God's mercy and forgiveness
- We are adopted into God's family as sons and daughters (Romans 8:15)
- Where we were once lost and slaves to sin, we are now children of God, led by God's Spirit (Romans 8:14)

When we are adopted as God's children, we have:

1. Freedom from Fear

Fear no longer enslaves us

- God's children do not need to live in constant fear (Romans 8:15)
- We are to live with constant hope and assurance under a perfectly Loving Heavenly Father (Romans 8:16-17, 37-39)

2. Family Identity

Our identity shapes our life purpose and priorities

- One defining characteristic of a child of God is being led by God's Spirit (Romans 8:14)
- We must be involved with our Heavenly Father's 'kingdom work' (Matthew 6:31-33, John 5:17,19)
- We bear the cost of faithful obedience knowing we are co-heirs with Christ, sharing in His glorious inheritance (Romans 8:17)

3. Father-directed Prayer

Impactful prayers come from an intimate faith relationship with our Heavenly Father

- Jesus taught His disciples to pray to God the Father (e.g. Matthew 6:5-9)
- As we wrestle through our prayers, the Holy Spirit intercedes for us according to God's will (Romans 8:26-27) – we can rest in knowing that God's purpose will prevail (Romans 8:28)
- Christ Himself intercedes for us at the Father's right hand (Romans 8:34b)

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

Sermon Title/Text	<u>10.00 am Service</u> Experiencing the Father Heart of God (<i>Romans 8:14-17</i>)	5.00 pm Service Experiencing the Father Heart of God (Romans 8:14-17)
Preacher	Mr Tan Chong Jin	Mr Tan Chong Jin
Liturgist	n/a	Mr Mak Ngai Leong
Worship Leaders	Mr Chan Chen Weng, Mr Daniel Teh Mrs Florence Oon, Mr Kevin Tung Mrs Ruth Tung, Ms Grace Tung	n/a
Reader	Ms Liew Ai Ling	Ms Lilian Yeoh
Musicians	Mr Bernard Lee, Mr Amos Lau Mr Daniel Khoo	ТВА
Sound	Mr Tan Siew Jin, Mr Jason Tham	Mr Chuah Chang En
Visual	Ms Roshni George	Mr Chuah Chang En
Streaming	Mr David Law	n/a
Ushers	Mr Richard Lim, Mrs Falonee Lim Mrs Chan Gim Shee, Ms Vivian Lim Ms Tan Siew Ngoh, Ms Adeline Khoo Mr Oon Chee Soon	Dr Serena Nga Dr Tan Boon Chong
Finance Stewards	Ms Liew Chin Yee Mr Richard Lim, Mrs Falonee Lim	n/a
Skit	Mrs Tan Lay Chen, Mr Amos Lau Mr Jason Tham, Mas Sebastian Loke Mas Caleb Tan, Ms Faith Khoo Ms Amelia Deng	

Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	5.00 pm Service
Sermon Title/Text	ТВА	TBA
Preachers	Mr Peter Seow & Mrs Angie Seow	Mr Peter Seow & Mrs Angie Seow
Liturgist	n/a	Mrs Loo Li Lin
Worship Leaders	Mr Peter Seow & Mrs Angie Seow	n/a
Reader	Mr Charles Teh	Mrs Elaine Tan
Musicians	Mrs Nicoline Koay, Mr Edwin Oon	Ms Amelia Loo
Sound	Mr Jason Tham	Mr William Ng
Visual	Mr Koay Choong Khai	Mr William Ng
Streaming	Mr David Law	n/a
Ushers	Ms Teo Lay Tinn	Mr Christopher Wong
	Mr Khoo Boo Thye	Mr George Tan
	Ms Sharon Wong	-
	Dr Ho Seng Hooi	
Finance Stewards	Ms Cheong Sau Chan	n/a
	Ms Helen Aw	

ONLINE MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

OUNDAT		
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		
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 st & 3 rd Wed)	
11.00am	Church Office Staff Meeting	
3.00pm	Galilee Kopitiam (2 nd & 4 th Wed)	
THURSDAY		
8.30pm	Church Prayer Meeting –	
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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	
	Permai Village I – Ooi Lay Chen Island Glades – Tan Kok Huat (2 nd & 4 th)	
SATURDAY		
10:30am	Permai Village Small Group –	
	Daniel Teh	
1:30pm	Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group Small Groups:	
2.00pm	Century Garden – Lim Lim Ling	
8.00pm	Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong	
8.15pm	Young Families 2 – James Hii	
8.30pm	Sungai Ara I – Florence Tan (fortnightly)	

WEEKLY PRAYER

<u>World</u>

Pray for Canada and the USA, where millions of people have been urged to wear masks in view of poor air quality due to the Canadian wildfires. Pray that the fire will not spread, and that the air quality will improve. Pray also, for God's protection upon the people, especially the elderly, pregnant women, young children, and those with chronic health conditions, such as heart disease or asthma.

<u>Nation</u>

Continue to pray for the Prime Minister and his Cabinet to work efficiently and effectively as a responsible united government in addressing economic issues like inflation, which leads to rising living costs, the weakening ringgit, and the creation of job opportunities. Pray for the wisdom and courage to deal with pressing issues, as well as the political will to govern with true righteousness and justice.

<u>Church</u>

Pray that those who are gravely ill or mourning the loss of a loved one may experience the assurance of God's love, His comfort, peace, hope, love and strength during this difficult time. Pray that we, as a community of believers, will walk alongside them. Pray also, for the restoration of broken relationships in families, marriages, friendships and workplaces, as well as for reconciliation and healing.

<u>Self</u>

Pray that we will remember to examine ourselves, confess and repent of our sins. Pray that our persistence in asking, seeking and knocking on the door of our Father in heaven will deepen our trust and faith in Him, knowing that He will give good gifts to His children. Pray also, that by God's might and grace, He will enable us to embody Christ in our daily lives.

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

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