



5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 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."***

David said,  
**I WILL NOT OFFER BURNT  
OFFERINGS TO THE LORD  
MY GOD THAT  
Cost Me Nothing**  
2 Samuel 24:24

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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***

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

For the Beauty of the Earth  
(stanzas 1, 4, 5, 6)

UMH 92

For the beauty of the earth  
For the glory of the skies  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies

For Thy church, that evermore  
Lifteth holy hands above  
Offering up on every shore  
Her pure sacrifice of love

*Lord of all, to Thee we raise  
This our hymn of grateful praise*

For Thyself, best Gift Divine  
To the world so freely given  
For that great, great love of Thine  
Peace on earth, and joy in heaven

For the joy of human love  
Brother, sister, parent, child  
Friends on earth and friends above  
For all gentle thoughts and mild

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My faith looks up to Thee  
Thou Lamb of Calvary  
Saviour divine!  
Now hear me while I pray  
Take all my guilt away  
O let me from this day  
Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart  
Strength to my fainting heart  
My zeal inspire!  
As Thou hast died for me  
O may my love to Thee  
Pure warm and changeless be  
A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread  
And grief's around me spread  
Be Thou my guide  
Bid darkness turn to day  
Wipe sorrow's tears away  
Nor let me ever stray  
From Thee aside

When ends life's transient dream  
When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll  
Blest Saviour, then in love  
Fear and distrust remove  
O bear me safe above  
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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**

Thy Word Is a Lamp

UMH 601

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path (repeat)*

When I feel afraid  
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Still, You're there right beside me  
And nothing will I fear  
As long as You are near  
Please be near me to the end

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**People: Thanks be to God.**

**REFLECTION/DISCUSSION**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**CLOSING SONG**

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UMH 399

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UMH 452

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## **SERMON**

Costly Sin, Costly Sacrifice

Rev Shearn Sya

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## Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Costly Sin, Costly Sacrifice (2 Samuel 24:1-25)	Costly Sin, Costly Sacrifice (2 Samuel 24:1-25)
<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Shearn Sya	Rev Shearn Sya
<b>Liturgist</b>	Mr Daniel Teh	Mr Lim Lai Keat
<b>Reader</b>	Mrs Rosalind Khoo	Dr Mallise Tong
<b>Musician</b>	Mrs Audrey Tan	Dr Melvin Saw
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Tan Siew Jin	Mr William Ng
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Joshua Timothy	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 Sharon Wong	Mr Tony Teh Mr George Tan
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Liew Chin Yee, Ms Cheong Sau Chan Mr Yeo Hwang Seng	n/a

## Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	United, Christians reflect Jesus to a broken world (John 17:20-26)
<b>Preacher</b>	Mr Jerry Choo
<b>Liturgist</b>	Mrs Florence Oon
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Jarreh Khoo
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Bernard Lee
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jesse Ong
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Calvin Fong
<b>Streaming</b>	Mr David Law
<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Oon Chee Soon, Mr Khoo Boo Thye
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Mr Ling Lek Chian Mr Tan Kok Huat, Mdm Keow Poh Lean

## 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  
2.15pm Sungai Ara II Small Group –  
Jason Chieng  
3.00pm Post Alpha Small Group  
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<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 –  
<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  
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:  
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

### World

- Pray that peace and progress will prevail in Sudan. Pray for God's intervention to put an end to the civil war; that He will establish leaders who will unite the people, advance the nation, and defend the rights of everyone. Pray for equality and religious freedom in the nation. Pray also, for God's grace, protection, and wisdom to be upon all Christians in Sudan, that they will stand firm in their faith in Christ.

### Nation

- Pray that God will grant His wisdom and discernment upon both the government and the opposition, so that they will be able to think rationally, speak truthfully, and act responsibly towards the people, who share a common stake in this nation. Continue to pray that the upcoming six state elections will be peaceful, fair, and clean, and that the results will contribute to the nation's peace, stability, and growth.

### Church

- Pray that we will be a repentant and revitalised church, reflecting God's character, especially in loving Him and one another, while pursuing holiness and righteousness. Pray that we will be a reconciling church that seeks humility, forgiving one another as God has forgiven us and living in unity as one body of Christ. Pray also, that we will be a resilient church, steadfast in the gospel and unwavering in following Christ.

### Self

- Pray that we will have a deep and strong sense of perseverance as we endeavour to walk in obedience to all that Jesus has taught us. Pray for a deep sense of trust in God so that we may be able to surrender our lives to Him. Pray that God will surround us with people who are eager to walk closely with us so that by and through their actions, we may be encouraged to do likewise.

## 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 Ruth Lim 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 – July 2

Communion Offering for July 2023 will go to National Economic Empowerment Coalition.

### Coming up in July!

9 – Only one service at 10AM (*due to Church Camp*)

22 – 4<sup>th</sup> LCEC Meeting



### 10AM / 5PM Service

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

### 30<sup>th</sup> TRAC MSF Annual Camp

*“A Grateful Life”*

October 10-13, 2023 | Cititel Penang

For more information, contact Mr Tan Kok Huat

012-550 7428 | [khtan1992@gmail.com](mailto:khtan1992@gmail.com)

### 2023 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmcbible2023>

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

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

### The Alpha Course Online

Began May 14 | 3pm, Sundays

For more information or to register, contact Vivian Lim at 013-401 0551

### The Alpha Course In-Person

Began June 4  
3pm, Sundays

### 48<sup>th</sup> TRAC MW Session

October 13-15, 2023 | Novotel Hotel, Taiping

RM300

(*Early Bird – First 18 registrants before Aug 6*)

RM550 (*Normal rate*)

For more information or to register, contact:

Mrs Angela Khong 016-470 0680

Our heartfelt condolences to Chu Kar Meng, Swee Woon and family on the demise of his beloved mother, Mdm Wong Siew Len @ Wong Sow Len, who passed away on June 25. Our thoughts and prayers are with them in their time of grief.