

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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

Missions Sunday

August 13, 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 my servant whom I have chosen.”

*Isaiah 43:10a, NIV*

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**OPENING PRAYER****ACTS OF PRAISE**God Is Here

Oh, oh, oh, oh

Open our eyes Lord, we want to see You  
Open our hearts Lord, we want to know You  
Open our ears Lord, we need to hear You  
Jesus be revealed, Jesus be revealed

*God is here, God is here*  
*God is here, He is able*  
*We draw near to see Jesus face to face*  
*God is here, God is here*  
*God is here, He is faithful*  
*We draw near, to see Jesus*  
*Oh Jesus be revealed*

Open Your gates, Lord, reveal Your glory  
Open the nations, establish Your Kingdom  
Open the heavens, pour out Your Spirit  
Jesus be revealed, Jesus be revealed

Holy, we cry holy  
Hallelujah, God is here  
Holy, we cry holy  
Hallelujah, God is here

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## Our Heart

*Our heart, our desire  
Is to see the nations worship  
Our cry, our prayer  
Is to sing Your praise to the ends of the earth  
That with one, mighty voice  
Every tribe and tongue rejoices  
Our heart, our desire  
Is to see the nations worship You*

Heavenly Father, Your mercy showers  
Down upon all people, every race upon this earth  
May Your Spirit pierce the darkness  
Break the chains of death upon us  
Let us rise in honest worship  
To declare Your matchless worth

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## A Thousand Hallelujahs

Who else would rocks cry out to worship  
Whose glory taught the stars to shine  
Perhaps creation longs to have the words to sing  
But this joy is mine

*With a thousand hallelujahs  
We magnify Your name  
You alone deserve the glory  
The honour and the praise  
Lord Jesus, this song is forever Yours  
A thousand hallelujahs  
And a thousand more*

Who else would die for our redemption  
Whose resurrection means I'll rise  
There isn't time enough to sing of all You've done  
But I have eternity to try

Praise to the Lord  
To the Lamb  
To the King of heaven  
Praise for He rose  
Now He reigns  
We will sing forever

CCLI #7190270

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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.

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

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**REFLECTION / DISCUSSION**

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**CLOSING SONG**

Go, Make of All Disciples

UMH 571

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Inspire our ways of learning  
Through earnest, fervent prayer  
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**BENEDICTION****THREE-FOLD AMEN**

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

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

UMH 89

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee  
God of glory, Lord of love  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee  
Opening to the sun above  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness  
Drive the dark of doubt away  
Giver of immortal gladness  
Fill us with the light of day

Thou art giving and forgiving  
Ever blessing, ever blest  
Wellspring of the joy of living  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother  
All who live in love are Thine  
Teach us how to love each other  
Lift us to the joy divine

All Thy works with joy surround Thee  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays  
Stars and angels sing around Thee  
Centre of unbroken praise  
Field and forest, vale and mountain  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee

Mortals, join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began  
Love divine is reigning o'er us  
Binding all within its span  
Ever singing, march we onward  
Victors in the midst of strife  
Joyful music leads us sunward  
In the triumph song of life

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Immortal, invisible, God only wise  
In light, inaccessible, hid from our eyes  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might  
Thy justice like mountains, high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love

To all life, Thou givest, to both great and small  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree  
And wither and perish, but naught changeth Thee

Thou reignest in glory; Thou dwellest in light  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight  
All laud we would render: O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee

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## **SONG OF PREPARATION**

Standing on the Promises

UMH 374

Standing on the promises of Christ my King  
Through eternal ages let His praises ring  
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing  
Standing on the promises of God

*Standing, standing*  
*Standing on the promises of God my Saviour*  
*Standing, standing*  
*I'm standing on the promises of God*

Standing on the promises that cannot fail  
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail  
By the living Word of God I shall prevail  
Standing on the promises of God

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord  
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord  
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword  
Standing on the promises of God

Standing on the promises I cannot fall  
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call  
Resting in my Saviour as my all in all  
Standing on the promises of God

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	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Be Christ's witnesses to the ends of the earth ( <i>Acts 1:6-11</i> )	Be Christ's witnesses to the ends of the earth ( <i>Acts 1:6-11</i> )
<b>Preacher</b>	Mr Michael Leong	Mr Michael Leong
<b>Liturgist</b>	n/a	Mrs Esther Wong
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Jane Khoo, Ms Cheah Yan Li	n/a
<b>Reader</b>	Ms Selina Ngu	Mr Chong Kock Khuan
<b>Musicians</b>	Dr Melvin Saw, Ms Rachel Lee Mrs Nicoline Koay, Mr Matthew Yap Mr Edwin Oon	Mrs Audrey Tan
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jason Tham	Mr Andrew Lee
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Koay Choong Khai	Mr Joshua Timothy
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Cheong Kum Loong, Ms Helen Aw Ms Tan Siew Ngoh, Ms Wong Choon Moi	Mrs Chin Peck Wan Dr Chin Chean Kok
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Mr Lim Pang Kuan Mdm Nellie Goh Beng Hong Mr Khoo Boo Thye	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>	Mr Tan Chong Jin	Mr Tan Chong Jin
<b>Liturgist</b>	Mrs Angela Khong	Mr Mak Ngai Leong
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Charles Teh	Mrs Maggie Mak
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Seah Por Shen	TBA
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jesse Ong	Mr William Ng
<b>Visual</b>	Ms Tan Yu Ai	Mr William Ng
<b>Streaming</b>	Mr David Law	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Mak Ngai Leong, Mrs Maggie Mak Mr Vincent Lee, Mr Oon Chee Soon	Dr Mah Chiou-Fen Dr Goh Yoke Seng
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Liew Chin Yee Mr Richard Lim Leong Chnuah Mdm Falonee Tan Fong Ling	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  
Young Families 2 – James Hii  
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:  
2.45pm 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  
8.30pm Sungai Ara I – Florence Tan (fortnightly)

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### World

- Pray for the safety of the people in Pakistan, and for peace to reign. Pray that God will comfort the families of all the victims and bring healing to those who were injured in last week's suicide bombing at a political rally. Pray that God will deliver this nation from violence. Pray also, for God's mercy and intervention to bring about political stability, as well as the economic and social development of the nation.

### Nation

- Pray that Malaysia Madani, a policy framework introduced by our Prime Minister, will help to increase our nation's economy and sustainability, and also boost our nation's ranking in the Global Competitiveness Index. Pray that its agenda to focus on meeting the needs of the people, creating a peaceful future and fulfilling the potential of all Malaysians will become a reality.

### Church

- Pray that God will help us to recognise the impact we can make in our communities, and grant us the courage, wisdom and strength to reach out to others about Christ. Pray that He will equip us so that we may effectively share His love and salvation to those around us. Pray also, for God's direction and guidance that we may be attentive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in doing all that He intends for us to do.

### Self

- Pray that we will have a deeper realization of all that God has done for us through Christ, and be thankful. Pray that we will truly experience and believe that we are God's beloved, and be transformed to be more like Him. Pray also, that we will allow God's presence to flow continually through our lives so that in turn, we may touch those around us with His love.

## 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: Please contact the church office or email [office@penangtrinity.org](mailto:office@penangtrinity.org).
- 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 13

We thank Mr Michael Leong for bringing God’s Word to us today.

Communion Offering for August 2023 will go to Penang Hospice Society.

### 2023 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmcbible2023>

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

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

### CCM Sunday – August 27

Offering collection on August 27 will go to CCM.

### 10AM / 5PM Service

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



### 2023 Methodist Convention

“A Renewed Church”

August 26-28, 2023 | UCSI Hotel, Kuching  
RM 350/pax (incl. of meals + Twin Room)

To register, go to

<https://forms.gle/m2yyEgKgauduNS83A>

### MW Week of Prayer & Self-Denial

*Women in the Bible*

August 26 – 10am, Bethel

For more information,  
contact Mrs Angela Khong at 016-470 0680

### 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)

### Vacancies:

**TMCK Teachers / Cleaner**

Please call Mrs Teong at 04-826 0724

or submit resume to

[kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org](mailto:kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org).

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

RM550 (Normal rate)

For more information or to register, contact:

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