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2nd Sunday of Advent

December 10, 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."***

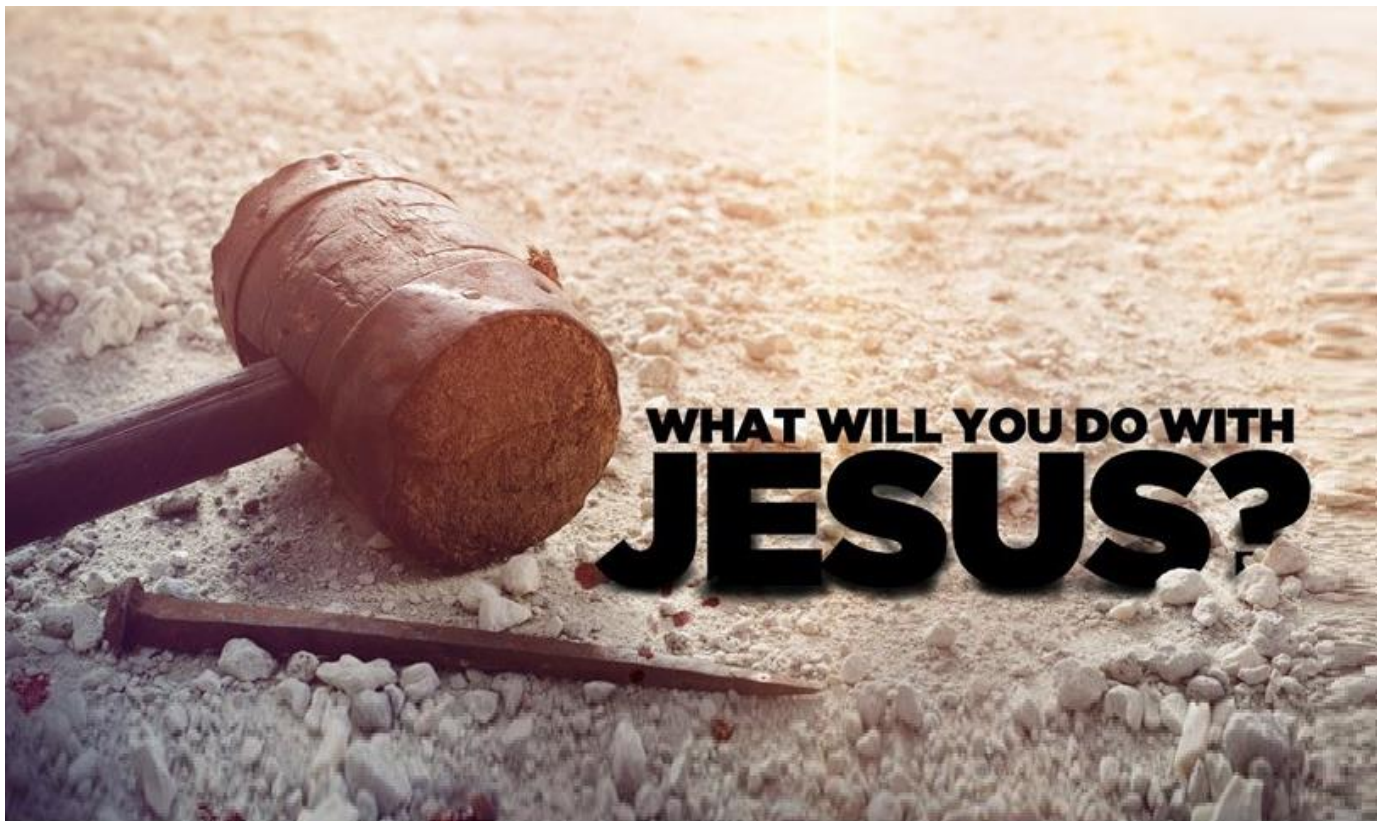


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Our Vision

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***

WELCOME**FOCUS ON GOD** *(Responsively)*

L: What will you do with Jesus,

P: Conquering Lord of all?

L: What will you do with Jesus?

P: Come, while you hear His call!

L: Follow His steps to the cross;

P: Humbly before Him bow.

L: What will you do with Jesus?

P: Call on His mercy now. Amen.

SONGS OF PRAISEKasih Yesus Indah, Oh Indah

Kasih Yesus indah, indah, oh indah

Kasih Yesus indah, indah oh indah

Lebih indah dari pelangi

Lebih indah dari bintang dilangit

Lebih indah dari bunga di taman

Oh, Yesusku

Angels We Have Heard On High

Angels we have heard on high

Sweetly singing o'er the plains

And the mountains in reply

Echo back their joyous strains

Shepherds why this jubilee

Why your joyous strains prolong

Say what may the tidings be

Which inspire your heavenly songs

Gloria, in excelsis Deo

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O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

*O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ*

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Oh what a Saviour, isn't He wonderful
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen
Bow down before Him, for He is Lord of all
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

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Grace Of God With Us

Wonderful and wise in counsel
Forever mighty God
Precious Father, everlasting
Blessed Prince of Peace

*(Oh) Glory to God in the highest
Jesus, our Saviour, the grace of God with us*

The kings of earth rest on Your shoulders
You rule on David's throne
Your kingdom here is now established
Christ, our Lord of lords

Born that we might know forgiveness
Born that we should live
With joy and hope, and expectation
Our King will come again *(repeat)*

CCLI Song #7163643

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PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

Pray for the world as Christmas draws nearer. Pray against any violence or acts of terror that might be planned to be carried out in certain countries that face these threats regularly each year during major Christian festivals.

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
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SONG OF PRAISE

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

Matthew 27:11-26

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

What Will You Do With Jesus?

Dr Khoo Cheok Kau

***CLOSING SONG**

Only Trust Him

UMH 337

Come, every soul by sin oppressed
There's mercy with the Lord
And He will surely give you rest
By trusting in His Word

*Only trust Him, only trust Him
Only trust Him now
He will save you, He will save you
He will save you now*

For Jesus shed His precious blood
Rich blessings to bestow
Plunge now into the crimson flood
That washes bright as snow

Yes, Jesus is the truth, the way
That leads you into rest
Believe in Him without delay
And you are fully blest

Come then and join this holy band
And on to glory go
To dwell in that celestial land
Where joys immortal flow

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BLESSING

THREE-FOLD AMEN

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SONGS OF PRAISEO Come, O Come, Emmanuel (stanzas 1, 2, 6, 7)

UMH 211

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high
And order all things far and nigh
To us the path of knowledge show
And cause us in her ways to go

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thy justice here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

O come, Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
From dust Thou brought us forth to life
Deliver us from earthly strife

Angels We Have Heard on High

UMH 238

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! (repeat)

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ whose birth the angels sing
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King

See Him in a manger laid
Whom the choirs of angels praise
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid
While our hearts in love we raise

O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

How silently, how silently
The wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven
No ear may hear His coming
But in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him, still
The dear Christ enters in

For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love
O morning stars together
Proclaim the holy birth
And praises sing to God the King
And peace to all on earth!

O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray
Cast out our sin, and enter in
Be born in us today
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel!

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SERMON OUTLINE

Title: What Will You Do with Jesus?

Scripture Passage: Matthew 27:11-26

Introduction

- In **Matthew 27:22**, Pilate the Roman governor asked a very important question: "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?"
- The decision about Christ is the most important decision in life.

1. What Do You Know About Jesus?

- Who is Jesus to you?
- How well do you know Jesus?

The Takeaway:

- True Christianity is all about a personal relationship with Jesus.

2. What did Jesus do for you?

- Jesus Laid Down His Life to Save Us.
- **John 15:13**: "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."

The Takeaway:

- Jesus is the reason for the season.

3. What Will You Do With Jesus?

- The Jewish Trial
- The Roman Trial
- What Others Did to Jesus

The Takeaway:

- You and I have a choice to make today. What will you do with Jesus? Will you deny Him? Will you avoid Him? Will you mock Him? Will you reject Him?

Conclusion:

- Just like Pilate you are in a dilemma to decide on Jesus Reject or receive Jesus today. Surrender your life to Jesus.
- Have you placed your trust in Jesus?
- Only trust Him, only trust Him, only trust Him now, He will save you, He will save you, He will save you now.

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
Sermon Title/Text	What Will You Do with Jesus? (<i>Matthew 27:11-26</i>)	What Will You Do with Jesus? (<i>Matthew 27:11-26</i>)
Preacher	Dr Khoo Cheok Kau	Dr Khoo Cheok Kau
Service Leader	n/a	Mrs Loo Li Lin
Worship Leaders	Mr Amos Lau, Ms Cheah Yan Li	n/a
Reader	Mrs Janet Ng	Ms Vanessa Goh
Musicians	Ms Chang Jia Ren, Ms Rachel Lee Mr Ivan Lee, Mr Edwin Oon Mr Eian Chan	Ms Amelia Loo
Sound	Mr Jason Tham	Mr Chuah Chang En
Visual	Mr Calvin Fong	Mr Chuah Chang En
Streaming	Mr David Law	n/a
Ushers	Mr Cheong Kum Loong, Ms Helen Aw Mr Khoo Boo Thye, Ms Wong Choon Moi	Ms Vivian Lim Mr Christopher Wong
Finance Stewards	Ms Liew Chin Yee Mr Richard Lim Leong Chnuah Mdm Falonee Tan Fong Ling	n/a

Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
Sermon Title/Text	Jesus Had a Choice (<i>Matthew 27:38-43</i>)	Jesus Had a Choice (<i>Matthew 27:38-43</i>)
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya	Rev Shearn Sya
Service Leader	Ms Iris Ang	Mrs Esther Wong
Reader	Dr Chan Kit Lam	Ms Mallise Tong
Musician	Mr Seah Por Shen	TBA
Sound	Mr Bernard Lim, Mr Jesse Ong	Mr Andrew Lee
Visual	Ms Tan Yu Ai	Mr Joshua Timothy
Streaming	Mr Chuah Chang En	n/a
Ushers	Mrs Heng Ah Leak, Ms Heng Khai Ting Mr Vincent Lee, Mr Oon Chee Soon	Dr Mah Chiou-Fen Dr Goh Yoke Seng
Finance Stewards	Mr Lim Pang Kuan Mdm Nellie Goh Beng Hong Mr Khoo Boo Thye	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

- 10.30am Tanjung Bungah Small Group –
Chan Chen Weng
8.00pm Lighthouse Watchmen Prayer Network
(LWPN), Bayan Lepas – Teng Leong

TUESDAY

- 7.00pm Young Adults III Small Group –
Gerviene Sya

WEDNESDAY

- 10.00am Wednesday Small Group –
Tan Saw Lee (1st & 3rd Wed)
11.00am Church Office Staff Meeting
3.00pm Galilee Kopitiam (2nd & 4th Wed)

THURSDAY

- 10.00am Island Glades Small Group –
Tan Kok Huat (2nd & 4th)
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

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

- Praise God for the truce between Israel and Palestine, where a number of hostages and prisoners were released. Pray for the remaining captives and their families on both sides, that God will keep everyone safe and enable them to reunite. Pray also, for His peace and justice to prevail, and for His light to shine in the darkness so that eyes will be opened, and all will know that Jesus is the Messiah, and Prince of Peace.

Nation

- Pray that the impending cabinet reshuffle will bring about more competent, prudent and impartial ministers to accelerate and deliver effective reforms to address the challenging cost of living and greater clarity in economic policies. Pray also, for God's wisdom and protection as the risk of radicalization and extremism escalates in response to the outpouring of support for the Palestinians.

Church

- Pray that Penang Trinity will be united as one body in Christ, breaking down the walls that divide us and being bound to each other in love and peace to accomplish God's will through the leading and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Pray also, that we will be outward-looking and a safe space for the lost, as well as a community of peace-makers and bridge builders wherever He has placed us.

Self

- Pray that in this Advent season, we will be assured of God's divine presence with us especially when we find ourselves in difficult situations. Pray that we will remember that Jesus, Who is our Immanuel - God with us, came in order to deliver us from the clutches of sin and death. Pray that we will be able to bring this good news of great joy to the people around us.

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 Nellie Lim and family 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 – December 10

Communion Offering for December 2023 will go to House of Hope, Penang.



Coming up in December!

- 16 – MSF AGM & Thanksgiving Celebration (2pm)
- 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (10pm)
“Call Him Immanuel” ~ Bishop Dr T Jeyakumar
- 25 – Christmas Day Service (10am)
“Call Him Jesus” ~ Bishop Dr T Jeyakumar
- 31 – Watchnight Covenant Service (10pm)

10AM / 5PM Service

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

Refreshments will be served after the 10am service at The Solid Rock. Lunch options will also be available for sale between 11:30am – 1:30pm. For takeaways, please bring your own containers.

Prayer Request Form – <https://bit.ly/tmcprayforme>. All requests are confidential unless permission is given to circulate to larger prayer group.

We have increased our parking capacity to 150 lots. If you are coming from the south, there is ample parking at Life Hope Centre. Our RELA team will guide you.

IMMANUEL

God Is With Us

The Present of God's Presence

- Dec 3, 10 & 17 – Sunday Service (10am & 5pm)
- Dec 24 – Combined Service (10am)
– Christmas Eve Service (10pm)
- Dec 25 – Christmas Day Service (10am)

MSF AGM & Thanksgiving Celebration

December 16, 2pm

Venue: Bethel

Pray for Malaysia

December 17, 8pm – 9pm

To join, go to <https://pray.smced.org/>

Our heartfelt condolences to Mdm Florence Loke and family on the demise of her beloved husband, Mr Lim Tien Chong, who passed away on December 5. Our thoughts and prayers are with them in their time of grief.