

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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1st Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

***"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."***

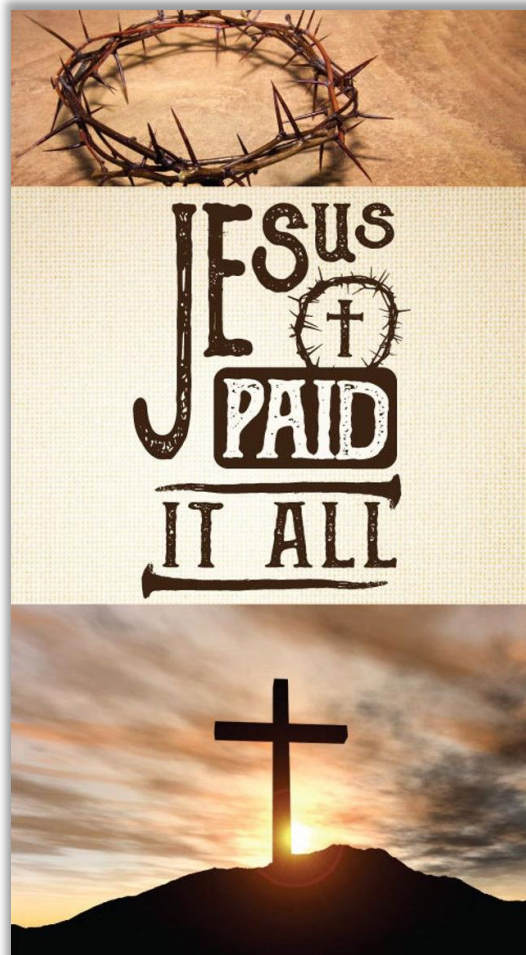


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Our Vision

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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Isaiah 9:2, NIV

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Lighting of the Hope Candle

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsively*)

L: Arise, shine, for your Light has come.

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L: Let us celebrate the Light of the world.

P: For upon us the Light has shined. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER**OPENING SONG**

How Great Thou Art

UMH 77

O Lord my God!
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
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And forest glades I wander
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When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
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When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God, how great Thou art!

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SONG OF PRAYER

My Hope Is Built

UMH 368

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Supports me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay

*On Christ the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand (2x)*

When He shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in Him be found!
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne!

When darkness veils His lovely face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

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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

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UMH 598

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O Wisdom from on high
O Truth unchanged, unchanging
O Light of our dark sky
We praise You for the radiance
That from the hallowed page
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The Scripture is a banner
Before God's host unfurled
It is a shining beacon
Above the darkling world
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That o'er life's surging tide
Mid mists and rocks and quick-sands
To You, O Christ, will guide

The church from You, our Saviour
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And still that light is lifted
O'er all the earth to shine
It is the sacred vessel
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To bear before the nations
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SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 10:1-18

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Christ Is Enough

Rev Shearn Sya

HOLY COMMUNION

***CLOSING SONG**

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Christ is my reward and all of my devotion
Now there's nothing in this world
That could ever satisfy
Through every trial, my soul will sing
No turning back, I've been set free

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Everything I need is in You
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The cross before me, the world behind me
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THREE-FOLD AMEN

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Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya	Rev Shearn Sya
Liturgist	Mr Daniel Teh	Mrs Loo Li Lin
Reader	Mrs Sally Loh	Dr Mallise Tong
Musicians	Mr Bernard Lee	Ms Amelia Loo
Sound	Mr Tan Siew Jin	Mr Andrew Lee, Mr Joshua Wong
Visual	Mr Hugo Cheah	Ms Esther Wong
Streaming	Mr David Law	n/a
Ushers	Mdm Aileen Tan, Mrs Maggie Mak Ms Tan Yu Ai, Ms Wong Siew Eng	Mr Tony Teh Ms Lilian Yeoh
Finance Stewards	Ms Liew Chin Yee Mdm Low Sheok Yin Mr Yee Eh Horng	n/a

Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
Sermon Title/Text	TBA	TBA
Preacher	Mr Tan Chong Jin	Mr Tan Chong Jin
Liturgist	n/a	Mrs Esther Wong
Worship Leaders	Mrs Jane Khoo, Ms Nancy Empawi	n/a
Reader	Mr Charles Teh	Mrs Elaine Tan
Musicians	Ms Michi Ong, Mr Euan Chan Mr Eian Chan, Mr Tairven Lee	TBA
Sound	Mr Jason Tham	Mr William Ng
Visual	Mr Calvin Fong	Mr William Ng
Streaming	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
Ushers	Mr Cheong Kum Loong, Mr Khoo Boo Thye Mrs Joanna Tham, Ms Wong Choon Moi	Mdm Jenny Hoo Ms Vivian Lim
Finance Stewards	Mr Ling Lek Chian Ms Cheong Sau Chan	n/a

WEEKLY MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

- 10.00am Worship Service in English
Church School
- 12.00pm Sungai Ara II Small Group –
Jason Chieng
- 12.30pm Methodist Youth Fellowship
- 1.30pm Young Families 1 Small Group –
Tairven Lee
Young Families 2 – James Hii
Post Alpha Small Group
- 3.00pm Boys' Brigade

MONDAY

- 10.00am 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 Line Dancing
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) – Loo Li Lin
- 8.30pm Young Adults I – Seah Por Shen
Taman Sri Nibong – Dr Saw Kim Guan
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 – Low Sheok Yin (fortnightly)

WEEKLY PRAYER

World

- Pray that God will bring reconciliation and peace to Myanmar, where many people have been displaced as a result of civil war and Typhoon Yagi. Pray especially for God's protection over the children, enabling them to get education and healthcare. Pray also, that God will refresh and encourage His people as they continue to place their trust in Him, and that people in Myanmar will find truth, hope, and peace in Christ.

Nation

- Pray that all the relevant bodies and agencies will work closely together to track down and stop the people behind the growing number of online scams and frauds that have grown so widespread in our nation, causing billions of ringgit in losses each year. Pray also, that those living in low-lying areas and near rivers will remain vigilant and prepared to evacuate in the event of floods.

Church

- Pray that we will demonstrate and share God's love as we prepare for Christmas, reaching out to those who have not yet encountered Christ. Pray that we will enter into 2025 with a missional perspective and be more outwardly-focused, looking beyond these four walls; touching and transforming lives for Christ. Pray also, that we will constantly examine ourselves and seek to honour Him in all we do and say.

Self

- Pray that we will remember the true reason why we celebrate Christmas this Advent season, thanking God for sending His Son to dwell among us and to save the world. Pray that the Holy Spirit will help us to remove all the clutter in our hearts and make room for Christ. Pray also, that we will truly worship Him as our Lord and Saviour as we anticipate His coming.

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.
- **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 1

Communion Offering for December 2024 will go to Prison Fellowship Malaysia (Penang Chapter).

Coming up in December!

24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (10pm)

25 – Christmas Day Service (10am)

31 – New Year's Eve Service (10:30pm)

2024 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmc bible2024>

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

Breakfast options will be available for sale between 9am – 10am. For takeaways, please bring your own containers. Refreshments will be served after the 10am service at The Solid Rock.

Our heartfelt condolences to Mdm Oh Swee Tee and family on the demise of her beloved husband, Dr Lim Kaing Hock, who passed away on November 29. Our thoughts and prayers are with them in their time of grief.



10AM / 5PM Service

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