

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

***"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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*Ephesians 2:21-22, NIV*

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L: Our God is a God of glory and wonder!

**P: Thanks be to God who is ever faithful to us. Amen.**

**\*OPENING PRAYER****\*ACTS OF PRAISE**Won't Stop Now

I give You glory  
For all You've brought me through  
And now I'm ready  
For whatever You want to do

In every season  
Your grace has been enough  
And I'm believing  
The best is yet to come

I'm moving forward  
To follow after You  
And now I'm ready  
For whatever You want to do

The cross before me  
My hope on things above  
And in You Jesus  
The best is yet to come

*Your presence is an open door  
We want You Lord like never before  
Your presence is an open door  
So come now Lord like never before*

I know breakthrough is coming  
By faith I see a miracle  
My God made me a promise  
And it won't stop now

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## Goodness Of God

I love You, Lord  
Oh, Your mercy never fails me  
All my days, I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
I will sing of the goodness of God

*All my life, You have been faithful  
All my life, You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God*

I love Your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night, You are close like no other  
I've known You as a Father  
I've known You as a Friend  
I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me (*repeat*)  
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me

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## Kau Rajaku

Dimuliakan, ditinggikan  
Yesus Tuhan, Kau Rajaku

Yang bertahta, yang berkuasa  
Yesus Tuhan, Kau Rajaku

## Jesus, We Enthroned You

Jesus, we enthrone You  
We proclaim You are King  
Standing here in the midst of us  
We raise You up with our praise

And as we worship, build Your throne (3x)  
Come, Lord Jesus, and take Your place

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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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**SERMON**

The Temple &amp; God's Presence

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**\*CLOSING SONG**Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to His  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley He will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus, now and ever is my plea  
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath, I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

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**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

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

Great is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not  
Thy compassions they fail not  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be

*Great is Thy faithfulness!*  
*Great is Thy faithfulness!*  
*Morning by morning, new mercies I see*  
*All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided*  
*Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime, and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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Abide with me; fast falls the eventide  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me

I need Thy presence every passing hour  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me

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Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **SONG OF PREPARATION**

Blessed Assurance

UMH 369

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

Perfect submission, perfect delight  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love

*This is my story, this is my song  
Praising my Saviour all the day long  
(repeat)*

Perfect submission, all is at rest  
I in my Saviour am happy and blest  
Watching and waiting, looking above  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love

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**\*CLOSING SONG**

Close to Thee

UMH 407

Thou my everlasting portion  
More than friend or life to me  
All along my pilgrim journey  
Saviour, let me walk with Thee

*Close to Thee, close to Thee  
Close to Thee, close to Thee  
Gladly will I toil and suffer  
Only let me walk with Thee*

*Close to Thee, close to Thee  
Close to Thee, close to Thee  
All along my pilgrim journey  
Saviour, let me walk with Thee*

Lead me through the vale of shadows  
Bear me o'er life's fitful sea  
Then the gate of life eternal  
May I enter, Lord, with Thee

Not for ease or worldly pleasure  
Nor for fame my prayer shall be  
Gladly will I toil and suffer  
Only let me walk with Thee

*Close to Thee, close to Thee  
Close to Thee, close to Thee  
Then the gate of life eternal  
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**BENEDICTION**

**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: The Temple & God's Presence

Scripture Passage: Leviticus 26:11-12

**Big Idea:** God desires to dwell among His people, and we are called to live as His temple.

### **God's Promise to Dwell with Us**

"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)

### **God's Presence Transforms Our Identity**

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession." (1 Peter 2:9-10)

### **God's Presence Calls Us to Walk in Holiness**

"But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: 'Be holy, because I am holy.'" (1 Peter 1:15-16)

**Know:** God has promised to dwell among His people.

**Be:** Confident and assured that God is present in our life.

**Do:** Focus on building a more intimate relationship with God.

## Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	The Temple & God's Presence <i>(Leviticus 26:11-12)</i>	The Temple & God's Presence <i>(Leviticus 26:11-12)</i>
<b>Preacher</b>	Pr Desmond Yeoh	Pr Desmond Yeoh
<b>Liturgist</b>	n/a	Mr Lim Lai Keat
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Jane Khoo, Mrs Nancy De Silva	n/a
<b>Reader</b>	Ms Clarissa Hii	Mrs Lilian Teoh
<b>Musicians</b>	Ms Michi Ong, Mr Euan Chan Mr Eian Chan, Mr Tairven Lee	TBA
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jason Tham	Mr Andrew Lee
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Hugo Cheah	Mr Joshua Timothy
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Cheong Kum Loong, Mr Khoo Boo Thye Ms Sharon Wong, Ms Wong Choon Moi	Mdm Jenny Hoo Mrs Lilian Teoh
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Cheong Sau Chan Mr Lim Pang Kuan Mdm Nellie Goh Beng Hong	n/a

## Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Renewed through Abiding <i>(John 15:5-7)</i>	TBA
<b>Preacher</b>	Bishop Dr T. Jeyakumar	TBA
<b>Liturgist</b>	Mrs Florence Oon	Mrs Esther Wong
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Hendrix Cheong	Mr Chuah Toh Thye
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Bernard Lee	Ms Selina Ngu
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jesse Ong	Mr William Ng
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Koay Choong Khai	Mr William Ng
<b>Streaming</b>	Mr David Law	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mrs Heng Ah Leak, Ms Heng Khai Ting Mr Oon Chee Soon, Ms Tan Siew Ngoh	Ms Cheah Yan Min Mrs Cheah Kai Choo
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Janet Yeoh, Mdm Ruth Lim Gaik Yean	n/a

## WEEKLY MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

### **SUNDAY**

- 10.00am Worship Service in English  
Church School
- 12.00pm Sungai Ara II Small Group –  
Jason Chieng
- 1.30pm 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 (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**

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

- Thank God for His love, His amazing grace and the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ to atone for the sins of the world. Pray that every individual, every leader and every nation will come to acknowledge Him as their Lord and Saviour, the living God. Pray also, for the spread of the gospel throughout the world, and for committed workers, effective discipleship, and church planting.

### Nation

- Pray that God will bless our nation richly and help our policymakers to identify opportunities within the local manufacturing sector to establish an industrialised hub in Malaysia. Pray also, that our leaders will implement policies that will attract multinational corporations via a strong industrial network so that Malaysia will become an appealing manufacturing hub in the region.

### Church

- Pray that we will fully surrender ourselves to God and allow His Spirit to transform us to be more like Him each day. Pray that we will continue to grow as God's children by understanding and pursuing His will. Pray that our love for God and for one another will grow as we bear each other's burdens and care for one another. Pray also, that His Spirit will unite us as we stand firm together to make Him known in the community.

### Self

- Pray that God's faithfulness and wisdom will guide and lead us through each ending, teach us to distinguish each beginning, and help us to remember that He is the Light of the world. Pray also, that we will surrender our plans, our goals, our days, and our future to Him, allowing God's transforming Word to change and mould us to be more and more like Christ.

# CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**WELCOME** to worship at *Trinity*. For any assistance please contact:

Pastor – Rev Shearn Sya, Assistant Pastor – Pr Desmond Yeoh: 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 Lilian Yeoh 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 – January 12

Communion Offering for January 2025 will go to Penang Breast Care Society.

## Coming up in January!

18-19 ~ LPL (Methodism)

25 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> LC / 1<sup>st</sup> LCEC Meeting (2pm)

## 2025 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<https://bit.ly/tmc bible2025>

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.

## 10AM / 5PM Service

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

## Vacancies: TMCK Teachers / Asst. Teachers

Please call Mrs Teong at 04-826 0724  
or submit resume to

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



The **2025 Floral Calendar** is ready for booking at the reception area.

## Baptism & Membership Class

will begin after Chinese New Year.

If interested, please contact the church office.

## Pray for Malaysia

January 26, 8pm – 9pm

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