

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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4th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 2, 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

“The LORD Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”

Deuteronomy 31:8, NIV

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

L: The earth has its kings, but God is ruler of all.

P: Praise God above all, the giver of life!

L: The mountains may tremble, the oceans may roar,

P: But God's presence is more powerful than the earth itself.

L: Come into God's presence, for God is among us now.

P: O God, show us Your glory; we seek Your ways. Amen.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***OPENING SONG** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (*stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5*)

UMH 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O, my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, Who over all things so wondrously reigning
Bears thee on eagle's wings, ever in His keeping maintaining
God's care enfolds all, whose true good He upholds
Hast thou not known His sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
Who with His love doth befriend thee

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again
Gladly forever adore Him

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The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by

My soul He doth restore again
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness
Even for His own name's sake

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale
Yet will I fear no ill

For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still

My table Thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes
My head Thou dost with oil anoint
And my cup overflows

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me
And in God's house forevermore
My dwelling place shall be

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

1. Pray for families of victims of recent tragedies, including the 60 who perished in the Washington plane crash, and over 30 who died in a crowd stampede in India.
2. Pray for victims of the floods in Bintulu, Sarawak. Pray for the thousands who have been evacuated to receive the necessary shelter and supplies.
3. Pray for Penang Trinity to be a place where people can find God's presence and take refuge in Him amidst difficult times.
4. Pray for ourselves, that the challenges we face in life draw us nearer to God. Pray for faith to be our go-to response.

E-OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Give to: MBB 5072 4612 6505 (Trinity Methodist Church Penang)
Please indicate for "Offering/Pledge" or "Poor & Needy" in Recipient Reference
for online transfers.*

***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 PRAYER

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

UMH 110

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He
Lord Sabaoth, His name, from age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

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SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 40:34-38

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

REFLECTION / DISCUSSION

1. How can you prioritize worship, both in your daily life as well as in the church?
2. How can you grow in trusting God's plans, even when they seem unclear or challenging?
3. When was the last time you shared a story of God's goodness with someone?
Will you be willing to share with others how God has been good to you?

HOLY COMMUNION***CLOSING SONG**

Trust and Obey

UMH 467

When we walk with the Lord
In the light of His Word
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will
He abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey*

Not a burden we bear
Not a sorrow we share
But our toil He doth richly repay
Not a grief or a loss
Not a frown or a cross
But is blest if we trust and obey

But we never can prove
The delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay
For the favour He shows
For the joy He bestows
Are for them who will trust and obey

Then in fellowship sweet
We will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side in the way
What He says we will do
Where He sends we will go
Never fear, only trust and obey

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BENEDICTION**THREE-FOLD AMEN**

SERMON OUTLINE

Title: God's Presence in the Wilderness

Scripture Passage: Exodus 40:34-38

Big Idea: We can worship God, walk in obedience, and witness His goodness even when in the wilderness because God's presence is with us.

1. Worship God Wholeheartedly

How can we worship God wholeheartedly in our daily lives?

- **Through Personal Worship**
- **Through Corporate Worship**
- **Through Lifestyle Worship**

2. Walk in Obedience

How are we to walk in obedience in our daily lives?

- **Seek God's Direction Daily**
- **Trust in His Timing**
- **Be Willing to Step Out in Faith**

3: Witness to God's Goodness

How can we witness God's goodness in our daily lives?

- **Share our own stories**

Know that walking in obedience may not always be easy, but God's presence is with us to guide us.

Be a worshiper who honours God not only in church but in everyday life.

Do look for opportunities to share God's goodness in our conversations with others.

Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

10.00 am Combined Service

Sermon Title/Text	God's Presence in the Wilderness (<i>Exodus 40:34-38</i>)
Preacher	Pr Desmond Yeoh
Liturgist	Mr Daniel Teh
Reader	Mrs Janet Ng
Musician	Mr Seah Por Shen
Sound	Mr Tan Siew Jin
Visual	Mr Koay Choong Khai
Streaming	Mr David Law
Ushers	Mdm Aileen Tan, Ms Emmy Chia Mrs Sally Loh, Ms Wong Siew Eng
Finance Stewards	Ms Cheong Sau Chan, Mr Khoo Boo Thye

Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

10.00 am Service

Sermon Title/Text	Divine Construction (<i>Zechariah 4:6</i>)
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya
Liturgist	n/a
Worship Leaders	Mrs Lim Huey Yoke, Mr Ryan Loke
Reader	Mr Lawrence Hii
Musicians	Ms Michi Ong, Mr Edwin Oon Mr Amos Lau, Mr Tairven Lee
Sound	Mr Mark Chieng
Visual	Mr Hugo Cheah / Ms Joanna Joyce
Streaming	Ms Wong Fong Yi
Ushers	Mr Cheong Kum Loong, Mr Khoo Boo Thye Ms Tan Siew Nghoh, Ms Wong Choon Moi
Finance Stewards	Mr Ling Lek Chian Mr Tan Kok Huat, Mdm Keow Poh Lean

5.00 pm Service

Sermon Title/Text	Divine Construction (<i>Zechariah 4:6</i>)
Preacher	Rev Shearn Sya
Liturgist	Mrs Esther Wong
Worship Leaders	n/a
Reader	Dr Chuah Hock Aun
Musicians	Ms Amelia Loo
Sound	Mr William Ng
Visual	Mr William Ng
Streaming	n/a
Ushers	Ms Lilian Yeoh Mdm Jenny Hoo
Finance Stewards	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 (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 – Chiang Kai Choo
- 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
- 8.30pm Sungai Ara I – Low Sheok Yin (fortnightly)

WEEKLY PRAYER

World

- Pray for Haiti. Over 5,600 people were killed as a result of gang violence last year and more than one million have been forced to leave their homes. Pray against the illegal flow of firearms, and that peace and order will be restored soon. Pray that the people's rights will be upheld, and that they will be able to find food, shelter, and rebuild their lives. Pray also, for restoration and God's protection upon the nation.

Nation

- Pray that everyone in Malaysia will be blessed with good health, joy and abundance as we celebrate the festive season with family and friends. Pray that the spirit of harmony and respect for all races and religions will flourish throughout the festivities. Pray also, that God's favour will be upon the people, and that His blessings of peace and prosperity will spread throughout the nation.

Church

- Pray for our newly elected LCEC and Small Group leaders – for their spiritual vibrancy and prayer life, for deep connection with God in the midst of busy ministry, and for God's direction and leading. Pray for their physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing, for healing where there is weariness, for strength to endure challenges, for healthy boundaries and live-giving rhythms, and for courage to rest and refresh.

Self

- Pray that God will help us to prioritise our relation with Him above all else. Pray that we will trust and fully rely on His power and sovereignty, even when we do not see His hand at work in our lives. Pray also, that we will find our strength in Christ as we face life's hardships, so that we may have the courage to say "no" to any sort of temptation from the evil one.

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: 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 – February 2

Communion Offering for February 2025 will go to Long Lamai Penan Fund.

Coming up in February!

9 – MCM Sunday

2025 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<https://bit.ly/tmcbible2025>

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.



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

February 16, 8pm – 9pm

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