

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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February 23, 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."***

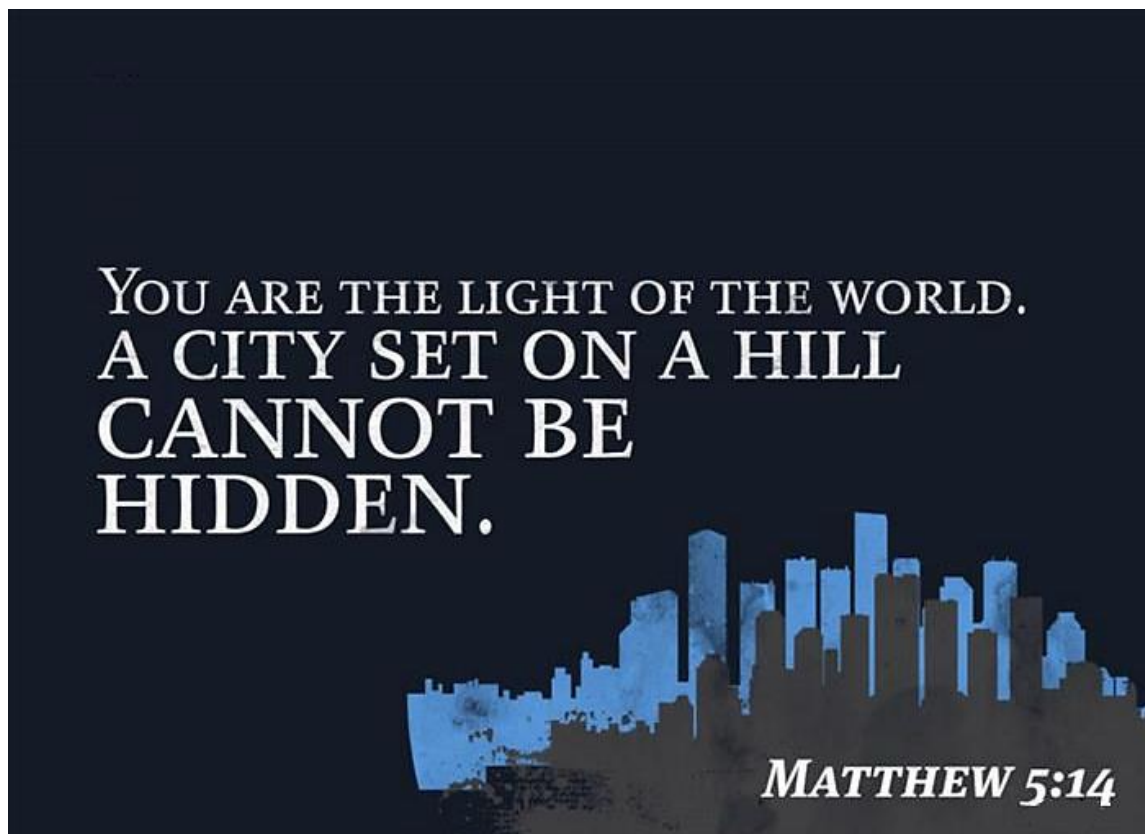


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## Our Vision

***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***

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**P: Let us worship the God of light and life. Amen.**

**\*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

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

*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*

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

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## Come, Now Is The Time To Worship

*Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before your God  
Come*

One day, every tongue will confess You are God  
One day, every knee will bow  
Still, the greatest treasure remains for those  
Who gladly choose You now

Willingly, we choose to surrender our lives  
Willingly, our knees will bow  
With all our heart, soul, mind and strength  
We gladly choose You now

Come, come, just as you are come, come

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## Still

Hide me now  
Under Your wings  
Cover me  
Within Your mighty hand

*When the oceans rise  
And thunders roar  
I will soar with You  
Above the storm*

*Father You are King  
Over the flood  
I will be still and know  
You are God*

Find rest my soul  
In Christ alone  
Know His power  
In quietness and trust

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## Throne Room

This is the throne room of God  
I come in reverence  
I stand before the Creator  
Of heaven and earth  
This is the throne room of God  
You draw me closer  
Undone by the arms of a Father  
Who calls me His own

As You bring me to my knees before Your throne  
I just bow in awe, I just bow in awe  
As You lift my head to see You, as You are  
I just say, I love You, Lord

*And I lift my hands with a thankful soul  
And I lift my voice cos it's all I know  
And my soul cries out, "Hallelujah!"  
Jesus, You are my One desire*

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## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

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4. Pray for ourselves, that we will not hide our faith but shine brightly in our families, workplaces, and communities. Pray that our words and actions will lead others to experience God's love.

## **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**                      Matthew 5:14-16

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **SERMON**

God's Presence in the World

Mr Tan Chong Jin

### **REFLECTION / DISCUSSION**

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## **\*CLOSING SONG**

## Here I Bow

Where would I run  
But to the throne of mercy  
Where would I kneel  
But at this cross of grace  
How great the love  
How strong the hand that holds us  
Beautiful, so beautiful

*So, here I bow to lift You high  
Jesus, be glorified  
In all things, for all my life  
I am Yours, forever Yours*

There is a King  
Who bore the scars of healing  
There is a Son  
Who came in grace and truth  
How great the love  
That carries us to kindness  
Wonderful, You're wonderful

God, here and now, be lifted high  
Right here and now, be glorified  
God of Heaven and Earth  
God who brought me back to life  
I am Yours, forever Yours

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## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

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**\*OPENING SONG**     O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (*stanzas 1-5*)

UMH 57

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise  
The glories of my God and King  
The triumphs of His grace!

He breaks the power of cancelled sin  
He sets the prisoner free  
His blood can make the foulest clean  
His blood availed for me

My gracious Master and my God  
Assist me to proclaim  
To spread through all the earth abroad  
The honours of thy name

He speaks, and listening to His voice  
New life the dead receive  
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice  
The humble poor believe

Jesus! the name that charms our fears  
That bids our sorrows cease  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears  
'Tis life, and health, and peace

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Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace  
(x2)

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**SONG OF PREPARATION**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

UMH 384

Love divine, all loves excelling  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling  
All Thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion  
Pure, unbounded love Thou art  
Visit us with Thy salvation  
Enter every trembling heart

Come, Almighty to deliver  
Let us all Thy life receive  
Suddenly return and never  
Nevermore Thy temples leave  
Thee we would be always blessing  
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above  
Pray and praise thee without ceasing  
Glory in thy perfect love

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
Into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in Thee inherit  
Let us find that second rest  
Take away our bent to sinning  
Alpha and Omega be  
End of faith, as its beginning  
Set our hearts at liberty

Finish, then, thy new creation  
Pure and spotless let us be  
Let us see thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in thee  
Changed from glory into glory  
Till in heaven we take our place  
Till we cast our crowns before thee  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise

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## **\*CLOSING SONG**

### Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord the light of Your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness shining  
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth You now bring us  
Shine on me shine on me

Lord I come to Your awesome presence  
From the shadows into Your radiance  
By the blood I may enter Your brightness  
Search me try me consume all my darkness  
Shine on me shine on me

*Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth Your word, Lord  
And let there be light*

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness  
So our faces display Your likeness  
Ever changing from glory to glory  
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story  
Shine on me shine on me

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## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: God's Presence in the World

Scripture Passage: Matthew 5:14-16

**BIG IDEA: The light of God's Presence shines through disciples**

**Key Verse: Matthew 5:16 (NIV)**

*In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.*

### **Introduction:**

- Jesus' ministry fulfilled Isaiah's prophecy that light will shine for those living in darkness (Matthew 4:13-17)
- The light of Jesus' ministry was enacted by the proclamation/teaching of the Gospel and the works of the Kingdom (Matthew 4:23-25)
- In Matthew 5:14-16, Jesus now calls His disciples to be the light of the world

### **Lesson:**

#### **1. Light is what defines disciples**

*To be the light of the world, disciples carry out Jesus' mission into the world*

- The world is in darkness and sin
- God chooses to shine the light of His presence through us
- Take-away: Do we reflect the light of God's Presence?

#### **2. Light cannot be hidden**

*The quality of the disciple's light shines through*

- It is not the nature of light to be hidden
- There is an unmistakable difference in the lives of disciples of Christ
- Take-away: Is our light shining through?

#### **3. Light brings Glory to God**

*The light you have honours and glorifies God*

- The light of a transformed life brings glory to God
- Disciples outshine the darkness of sin and brokenness
- The lives of disciples are the living temple of God's presence
- Take-away: God gets the Glory when we shine for Him

### **Conclusion:**

Disciples are the light of God's presence in the world.

## Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	God's Presence in the World <i>(Matthew 5:14-16)</i>	God's Presence in the World <i>(Matthew 5:14-16)</i>
<b>Preacher</b>	Mr Tan Chong Jin	Mr Tan Chong Jin
<b>Liturgist</b>	n/a	Mr Lim Lai Keat
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mr Amos Lau, Ms Alanis Yeoh	n/a
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Charles Teh	Dr Mallise Tong
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Daniel Khoo, Mr Timothy Yap Ms Adelya Yeoh, Ms Olivia Lee Mr Shane Tan	Ms Selina Ngu
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Mark Chieng	Mr Andrew Lee
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Calvin Fong	Ms Esther Wong
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mrs Joanna Tham, Mrs Heng Ah Leak Ms Sharon Wong, Ms Teo Lay Tinn	Mrs Chin Peck Wan Dr Chin Chean Kok
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Mr Yeo Hwang Seng, Ms Janet Yeoh	n/a

## Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>MCM 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service</u> <u>(3.30 pm)</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	God's Presence in the Silence <i>(Psalm 22:1-2)</i>	n/a
<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Shearn Sya	n/a
<b>Liturgist</b>	Dr Khoo Cheok Kau	n/a
<b>Reader</b>	Mrs Mary Wolf	n/a
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Seah Por Shen	n/a
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Tan Siew Jin	Mr Joshua Wong
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Koay Choong Khai	Mr Joshua Timothy
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mdm Aileen Tan, Ms Emmy Chia Mrs Sally Loh, Ms Wong Siew Eng	Mrs Connie Lim Dr Mallise Tong
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Liew Chin Yee Mdm Low Sheok Yin Mr Yee Eh Horng	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 – 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 that the Lord will grant our fellow believers the courage to stand firm in their faith. Pray for Christians around the world who are facing challenges because of their belief, that God will bless, strengthen and protect them. Pray that every person will have the right to choose, profess and practise their faith wherever they are. Pray also, that more people will come to know and freely confess their faith in Christ.

### Nation

- Pray that God will grant our national leaders the wisdom and sensitivity to maintain diplomatic balance while honouring their constitutional responsibilities. Pray that our leaders will prioritise the well-being of the nation and its people, transcending political pressures and partisan interests. Pray also, for truth to prevail; that justice would be served without compromise or political interference.

### Church

- Pray that God will grant us the willpower, courage and strength to run with perseverance the race that He has set before us. Pray that we will strive to finish that race well with His help. Pray also, that He will help us to remain focused on keeping the faith and the teaching that He has entrusted to us so that we may pass it on faithfully to the next generation and the generations after them.

### Self

- Pray that we will prioritize our relationship with God by spending time in His presence daily. Pray that we will continue to put our faith in Christ and remain focused on Him, consciously disengaging ourselves from the world. Pray also, that as we abide in Christ, He will empower us to live as children of God, and use us to reach out to those who are in need.

# 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](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 – February 23

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

Communion Offering for March 2025 will go to Malaysian Care.

## Coming up in March!

02 – MCM 140 Anniversary (3:30pm)

22 – 2<sup>nd</sup> LCEC Meeting

## 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*

**Baptism & Membership Class** will be held at 4pm on Saturdays, commencing March 1st. If interested, please contact the church office.

**2025 Lent Meditations** may be purchased at the reception area or from the church office.  
Price: RM8/copy.

