



2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

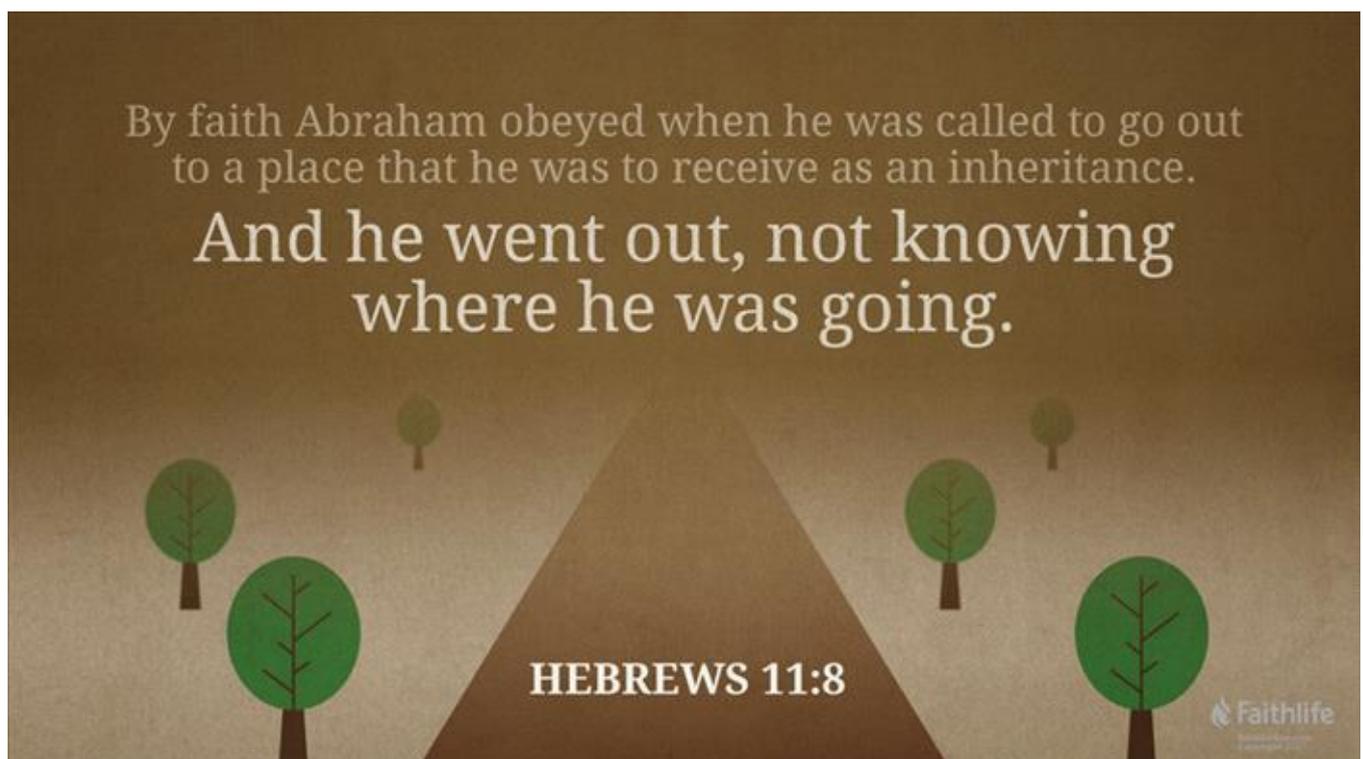
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**"Be reverent, for this is the house of the Lord.**

**Before the service, speak to God.**

**During the service, let God speak to you.**

**"After the service, speak to one another with the technology available."**



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**Our Vision**

***Nurturing Disciples to be a Spirit-filled, Impactful Church***

**The 4 Essentials**

***Lifelong Discipleship, Wholesome Families,  
A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World***

**SCRIPTURE SENTENCE**

“Blessed are all who fear the Lord,  
who walk in obedience to him.  
You will eat the fruit of your labour;  
blessings and prosperity will be yours.  
Yes, this will be the blessing  
for the man who fears the Lord.”

*Psalm 128:1-2 & 4, NIV*

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

**L:** I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever.

**P:** ***Every day we will bless You, and praise Your name forever and ever.***

**L:** The Lord is gracious and merciful; slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**P:** ***The Lord is good to all; God’s compassion is over all that He has made.***

**L:** All Your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord, and all Your faithful shall bless You.

**P:** ***Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures throughout all generations. Amen.***

**OPENING PRAYER****ACTS OF PRAISE**To God Be The Glory

To God be the glory, great things He has done  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son  
Who yielded His life, an atonement for sin  
And opened the life gate that all may go in

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord*

*Let the earth hear His voice*

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord*

*Let the people rejoice*

*O come, to the Father, through Jesus the Son  
And give Him the glory, great things He has done*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood  
To every believer, the promise of God  
The vilest offender who truly believes  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives

Great things He has taught us  
Great things He has done  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son  
But purer and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see

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### Worthy Is The Lamb

Thank You for the cross, Lord  
Thank You for the price You paid  
Bearing all my sin and shame  
In love You came and gave amazing grace

Thank You for this love, Lord  
Thank You for the nail-pierced hands  
Washed me in Your cleansing flow  
Now all I know, Your forgiveness and embrace

*Worthy is the Lamb  
Seated on the throne  
Crown You now with many crowns  
You reign victorious  
High and lifted up, Jesus Son of God  
The beloved of heaven crucified  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Worthy is the Lamb*

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### I Will Sing Of My Redeemer (My Redeemer)

I will sing of my Redeemer  
And His wondrous love to me  
On the cruel cross He suffered  
From the curse to set me free

*Sing, O sing of my Redeemer  
With His blood, He purchased me  
On the cross, He sealed my pardon  
Paid the debt and made me free*

I will tell the wondrous story  
How my lost estate to save  
In His boundless love and mercy  
He the ransom freely gave

I will praise my dear Redeemer  
His triumphant power I'll tell  
How the victory He giveth  
Over sin and death, and hell

I will sing of my Redeemer  
And His heavenly love for me  
He from death to life  
Hath brought me  
Son of God with Him to be

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## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

1. Pray for those affected by Cyclone Seroja in Indonesia and East Timor. Pray for those who have lost homes, the families of those who have perished, and for rescuers to locate those still missing as a result of flash floods and landslides. Pray against the spread of Covid-19 amidst those taking shelter.
2. Pray for Malaysia as the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of vaccinations begin. Pray for the vaccines administered to be effective, especially in protecting those in the higher risk group.
3. Pray for Penang Trinity, for our leaders and congregation alike to readily answer the Lord's leading in all areas of their lives.
4. Pray for ourselves, that we would fear God rather than man. Pray for this reverence to be complemented by love and a desire to please Him over others.

## **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.

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

Genesis 12:1-9

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

Redemption Starts Here

Rev Shearn Sya

## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Redemption Starts Here

Scripture Passage: Genesis 12:1-9

**BIG IDEA: Responding to God's call takes faith.**

### **Introduction**

- Genesis 12 – the beginning of God's plan of redemption.

### **1. God Initiated**

- God's choice – nothing to do with Abram's worthiness.
- God's grace – motivated by His love.
- All peoples on earth blessed through Abram = Gentiles experiencing salvation (Galatians 3:7-9).
- Recognizing God's grace in our lives – extremely important to a life of humility, gratitude, and dependence on God.

### **2. God Directed**

- God's promises – not fulfilling Abram's desires.
- Only God could fulfil such big promises.
- God must be the one to show us where, what, and how.
- God's directions – not always entirely revealed.
- God can call us to something as well as away from something.
- Following God's direction = experiencing His good plan for us.

### **3. Faith Required**

- Big promises require big faith.
- Abram's faith was in God, not himself.
- God reveals Himself to Abram to be a God to have faith in.
- Let God's track record inform your faith.

### **Conclusion**

- **Know:** We can trust where God is leading us.
- **Be:** Constantly on the lookout for His direction for our lives.
- **Do:** Follow God's leading in faith.

## **REFLECTION / DISCUSSION**

1. Grace is God's undeserved favour. Which examples of God's grace in your life (other than salvation in Christ) are most meaningful to you?
2. Has God led you towards or away from something? How did you respond?
3. What is one area of your life where you need more faith to respond to what God is calling you to?

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

### **SONG OF DEDICATION**

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

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He leadeth me: O blessed thought!  
O words, with heavenly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be  
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me

Lord, I would place my hand in Thine  
Nor ever murmur nor repine  
Content, whatever lot I see  
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me

*He leadeth me, He leadeth me  
By His own hand, He leadeth me  
His faithful follower, I would be  
For by His hand, He leadeth me*

And when my task on earth is done  
When by Thy grace the victory's won  
E'en death's cold wave, I will not flee  
Since God through Jordan leadeth me

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom  
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom  
By waters still, o'er troubled sea  
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me

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## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

## **Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Redemption Starts Here (Genesis 12:1-9)
<b>Preacher</b>	Rev Shearn Sya
<b>Liturgist</b>	Mrs Esther Wong
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Angela Khong, Ms Goh Yi Jane
<b>Reader</b>	Mdm Sally Koay
<b>Musicians</b>	Mr Daniel Khoo, Mr Shane Tan, Ms Adelya Yeoh
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Jesse Ong
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Chuah Chang En, Mr Joshua Timothy (livestream) Ms Claudia Lim

## **Next Week's WORSHIP ENABLERS**

<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Abram and Lot, Melchizedek (Genesis 13:1 – 14:24)
<b>Preacher</b>	Mr Tan Chong Jin
<b>Liturgist</b>	Ms Iris Ang
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mr Amos Lau, Ms Nancy Empawi
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Ch'ng Geam Liang
<b>Musicians</b>	Ms Joyce Goh, Ms Amelia Loo, Ms Adelya Yeoh
<b>Sound</b>	Ms Roshni George
<b>Visual</b>	Mr David Law (livestream), Ms Claudia Lim

## ONLINE MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

### **SUNDAY**

9.15am	Church School
10.00am	Worship Service in English
2.00pm	Methodist Youth Fellowship
2.00pm	Boys' Brigade (Juniors)
3.00pm	Post Alpha Small Group
3.30pm	Boys' Brigade (Seniors)
5.00pm	Sungai Ara II Small Group – Jason Chieng

### **TUESDAY**

8.30pm	Tanjung Bungah Small Group – Chan Chen Weng
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### **WEDNESDAY**

10.00am	Wednesday Small Group – Tan Saw Lee (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed)  Church Office Staff Meeting
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### **THURSDAY**

8.30pm	Church Prayer Meeting
9.00pm	Tree Residency Small Group – Jesse Ong

### **FRIDAY**

	Small Groups:
8.30pm	Young Adults I – Seah Por Shen Taman Sri Nibong – Dr Saw Kim Guan Bethel – Ch'ng Geam Liang Century Garden – Lim Lim Ling Permai Village I – Daniel Khoo Island Glades – Tan Kok Huat (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> )

### **SATURDAY**

10:30am	Permai Village Small Group – Dr Khoo Cheok Kau
11.00am	BB Platoon (King's Academy)  Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group
	Small Groups:
5.45pm	Young Families – Tairven Lee
8.00pm	Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong
8:30pm	Sungai Ara I – Ling Lek Chian (fortnightly)

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### World

- Pray for Christians around the world who face harassment, discrimination, violence and persecution in their daily lives, and who may have lost homes, possessions and livelihoods just because they follow Christ. Pray that they will stand firm in the assurance of their heavenly inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. Pray also, that they will be sustained by the presence of the Holy Spirit and the resurrection power of Jesus Christ.

### Nation

- The Ministry of Health reported that the highly contagious COVID-19 variant from South Africa has been detected in Malaysia. Pray for wisdom for the health ministry to implement appropriate measures to prevent the incoming of new variants into the country. Pray too, that the rakyat will not become negligent and lackadaisical following the decline in the number of daily COVID-19 cases.

### Church

- Pray for God's protection over the church. Pray that He will guard our minds and grant us discernment to recognize His truth, and that the Gospel message will be deeply rooted in our hearts. Pray also that we will be grateful for one another and pray for each other continually. Pray that our prayers and gratitude for one another will unify and bind us together.

### Self

- Praise God that Christ died to redeem us and rose to give us His resurrected life. Thank the Lord that even when we doubt Him and are faithless, He remains faithful to His promise that whosoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. Pray that God will strengthen our faith in Him, and send us out as messengers to proclaim Him as our Lord and our God.

# 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

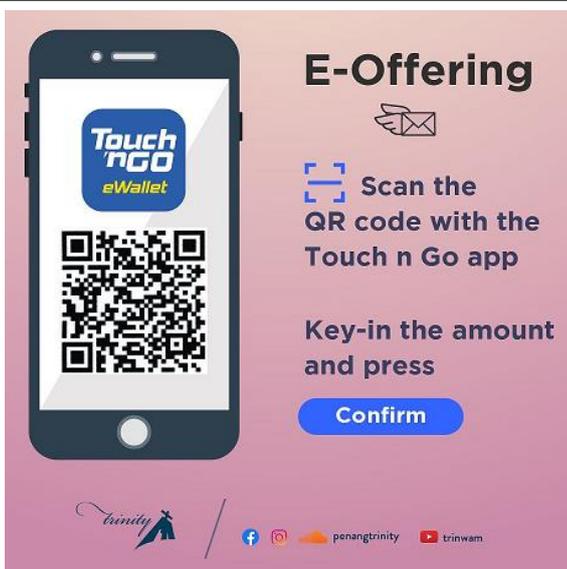
- Sermons and past worship services are available online (<http://replay.penangtrinity.org>).
- Visitation ministry for the homebound, please inform the Church Office.
- **Floral Gifts:** From Angela Khong in Thanksgiving.
- **Online/ATM Transfer:** Maybank Account No. MBB 5072 4612 6505 (Trinity Methodist Church Penang). Please indicate for “Offering/Pledge” or “Poor & Needy” in Recipient Reference for online transfers.

**TODAY – April 11**

Communion Offering for April 2021 will go to Asia Community Service.

For those who wish to be baptized, confirmed and received into membership, please contact the Church Office.

**Online Bible Study – 2 Corinthians:** Tuesdays, 8pm. Go to <https://bit.ly/tmcpregistration> to register with your “In Person Worship” booking account.



**E-Offering**

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Our heartfelt condolences to James Hii, Iris, Lawrence, Clarissa, Calyn & the rest of the family on the demise of James' beloved mother, Mdm Chuo Siik Kiong, who passed away on Friday, April 9. Our thoughts and prayers are with them in their time of grief.

**Coming up in April!**

13 – Online Bible Study “2 Corinthians” (Lesson 2)

**2021 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:**

<http://bit.ly/TMCBible2021>

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All ongoing and planned in-person activities including the collection of Penang Trinity's personalized masks will be suspended for the time being. We encourage all regular worshippers to please update your details via <http://m.penangtrinity.org>.

**Vacancies: TMCK Teachers / Asst. Teachers**

Please call Mrs Teong at 04-8260724 or submit resume to [kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org](mailto:kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org).