

Shirley Baptist Church

a church for the whole community

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

We welcome you to worship!
We hope you will feel at home with us.

Sunday 19 March

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader: Paul Sutton

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Sensing Our Saviour:

Edifying In The Spirit - Ephesians 4:7-13

Fire!

Groups

will be going
out during
this service

4.30pm

All Age Home Group meets in The Link

A family friendly group, where everyone from the youngest to the oldest participates and learns together. We sing, study, listen, get creative and eat lots of cake together.

Our **Fire! Activity Groups** cover all ages from babies to teenagers! Visiting children are welcome to join in - a welcomer will show you the way! Flickers Crèche - When taking or collecting your child, please use the doors at the end of the aisles rather than taking children around the outside of the building through the car park.

The song words are shown on the screens. If you are unable to see a screen, ask for a folder containing printed words. Most people stand up for the songs but do feel free to sit down if this is easier for you. There is space at the front left and back right of the Sanctuary if you need more room!

Members of the Prayer Team are available after Morning Worship Services. If you would like someone to pray with you, simply come to the front before you leave.



Refreshments are served in the Spurgeon Hall after morning worship services. All our tea, coffee and sugar are Fairtrade. Fancy a fancier coffee?

Filter coffee and specialty teas are available in The Link.

Sunday 26 March

Mother's Day



British Summer Time Starts

Don't forget to put your clocks *forward* 1 hour when you go to bed on Saturday night!

10.30 am Worship for All Ages

Leader: John Waldron

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney



Pastoral Work

Sheila, who coordinates our pastoral work, will be away until late on Monday 27 March. Please keep her informed of pastoral needs or concerns. ☎ 8036 0296

If you have urgent concerns please contact Pastor Shaun Sweeney. Please contact the church office with updates & thanksgiving news.

Contact Us

Pastor: Shaun Sweeney

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Day Off: Monday

Children & Family Worker:

Jo Snape

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Office Opening Hours

Monday 10.00 - 11.30

Tuesday 10.00 - 13.00

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
10.00 - 11.30

Pastoral News

Peter Sharman's funeral will take place on Thursday 6 April. There will be a family committal at the Crematorium at 10am followed by a Thanksgiving Service at SBC at 11am

Secure in Our Saviour

Opportunities for Personal Growth

A variety of **Home Groups** meet at various times and places in our area. Each group has a distinct character and atmosphere.

All Age Home Group next meets on Sun 2 April at 4.30pm in The Link

Monthly Home Group next meets on Sat 25 March at 3pm in The Link

Church Directory & Database

The church office maintains a *strictly confidential* database of all members and regular attendees. We also produce a Church directory that includes photos.

If you would like to be included in the directory or have recently moved house please complete a directory information slip. Slips are available from the stewards and the Church Office.

Notices

Easter Decorations

Could you make a donation of money towards the flowers? Offers of help to decorate the Church would also be much appreciated by Gosia and the Flower Arranging Team!

Financial year-end: As the church financial year closes on 31 March, would all those who have expense claims or outstanding monies, which need to be counted towards the current financial year e.g. BMS globes, Home Mission boxes, Gift Aid forms etc., please hand them to Anne Richards (Church Treasurer) as soon as possible please. Thank you.

Donations For The Homeless

We are currently in need of hand sanitiser, deodorants, wet wipes, women's gloves and underwear. With thanks Ruth & Linda

Volunteering Opportunities

New Dawn Child Contact Centre

- * Support broken families
- * Work as part of a team
- * 3 hours every four - six weeks
- * Full training given

Please contact Kirsty ☎ 8034 7515 or ✉ newdawncentre@shirleybaptist.org for an application form or more information.

Church in the Park

This outreach event, organized by Southampton Christian Network, is running from Wed 7 - Sun 11 June in the centre of Southampton. It will be a great opportunity to share the good news of Jesus with our city. Volunteers are required in a variety of roles to make this happen. Please visit the SCN website for more details and to register: www.scn.org.uk/churchinthepark

Regular Activities for Adults

Wednesday Link Coffee Morning

10am - 12noon

Lunch Club for over 60's

Thursday 12.00pm Spurgeon Hall
Advance booking is essential & there is a charge for the meal.

Get Together

Thursday 2pm in The Link

Friday Link Coffee Morning

11am - 1.30pm

Friday Friendship Club

1.45pm in the Spurgeon Hall
Speakers, entertainment, refreshments and friendship.

Regular Activities for Children, Young People & Families

Parent & Toddler Group

The Link is open for coffee from 9.15am & the group runs 10-11.30am

Wacky Wednesdays

School Years R - Year 3
5.00 to 6.15pm Spurgeon Hall

Wild Wild Wednesdays

School Years 4-6
6.30 to 7.45pm Spurgeon Hall

Friday Night Takeaway

School Years 7-9
6.45pm Spurgeon Hall

Monthly Activities for Ladies

Evening Fellowship

2nd Tuesday of the Month
7.30pm in the Carey Hall

M & Ms Ladies Group

Once a month on a Wednesday
7.45pm in The Link
Upcoming Dates: 29 March; 26 April;
24 May; 28 June; 26 July

Upcoming Events

CTiS Easter Experience

Please pray for the children from local schools who will be attending this engaging & interactive presentation of the Easter Story over the next two weeks.

Bell Ringing Group

Mon 20 March 6pm in The Link

For more information, please speak to Ruth Powell, Eveline Adams, Mary Moran or Marcia Parsons.

Church Members' Meeting

Thu 23 March 7.45pm Spurgeon Hall

All Members are encouraged to attend. If you are not a member or are unable to attend, please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance during the evening. Minutes of the last meeting are available from the church office.

Agenda: Devotions; Apologies; Minutes Of Meeting 26 January & Matters Arising; Paul Sutton and Way Ahead: Budgets; Adults At Risk Policy and DBS Checking: Elections to the Ministry Team 2017; Pastoral and Membership; Members Concerns

Link on Saturday

Sat 25 March 3-5pm in The Link

A monthly group for families, couples and individuals who find it difficult to meet at other times. See Clint Zvavamwe for details.

M & Ms Ladies Group

Wednesday 29 March

7.45pm in The Link

The Eggs Factor

Who Are We? A group of ladies, mostly aged 30 - 60 ish!
Can I Come Too? Anyone Is Welcome - new members, occasional visitors and those who can just pop in! You can be assured of warm reception and a decent cup of coffee!

Imagine: Whole-Life Disciple Making Workshop

Here at SBC on Sat 1 April

Learn how to visualise, create and develop whole-life disciple making church communities. Cost £15 which includes refreshments and a delegate pack, bring your own lunch!

See Ken Amy for more information.

Chatty Crafters Spring Fair

Saturday 1 April 10.00am - 12noon

SJR Methodist Church, St James Rd

Lots of seasonal gifts and goodies plus soft toys, bags etc.

EVening Fellowship

Tuesday 11 April

7.30pm in the Carey Hall

38th Anniversary Celebrations

with Cake & A Beetle Drive

Please remember your donations for Basics Bank

HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday 9 April

10.30am **Morning Worship**

Praise @ 4pm Service

Followed by afternoon tea

Maundy Thursday 13 April

7.30pm **Communion Service**

Shared with friends from local Baptist Churches

Good Friday 14 April

SBC Morning Worship 10am

CTiS Witness in Shirley Precinct

Easter Sunday 16 April

Morning Worship 10.30am

EASTER
the GREAT
EXCHANGE

Easter is God making us
an offer we can't refuse.

Life for death;

Hope for despair;

A bright future no matter
how dark the past.