

Shirley Baptist Church

every day church for everywhere people

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

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

Please pray for Pastor Shaun Sweeney and Brenda Greenwood as they attend the Hope Now Conference this weekend.

Sunday 15 April

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader & Preacher: Simon Wroe

The Apprentice: A Person Specification

1 Timothy 1:3-11

**Fire!
Groups**
will be in the
halls during
this service

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 and The Link after morning worship services. Our tea, coffee and sugar are all Fairtrade.

Sunday 22 April

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader: Assistant Pastor Paul Sutton

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

The Apprentice: No Fool's Errand

1 Timothy 1:12-17

**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.

Pastoral Work:

Margaret H, who is coordinating the Pastoral Work during Sheila's sabbatical, is away on holiday until Thursday 19 April. ☎ 8055 1688

If you have urgent pastoral concerns please contact one of our Pastors. Please contact the church office with updates & thanksgiving news.

Church Directory Update

Brenda Greenwood has a new email address:
brgreenwood07@aol.com

Notices

Financial Year-End

The church financial year ended on 31st 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.

Organisation Accounts:

Please would organisation treasurers complete their accounting records for the year ended 31/3/2018 and pass to Dave Richards for examination as soon as possible. Thank you.

Volunteering Opportunities

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve at SBC?

Would you be happy to draw up the rota of those willing to serve tea/coffee in the Spurgeon Hall on a Sunday morning? If so, please speak to Jan or Pete ☎ 8032 0446

Drivers Needed for Lunch Club



The Community Mini Bus will be out of action from the end of April so we are urgently in need of people to help bring 4 members to & from Lunch Club on a Thursday. This can be one-way or both ways, every week or on a rota basis. It may be possible for drivers to claim mileage expenses. Please see Doreen Oxenbury or Kirsty Cummins for more information.

Calling All Bakers!

We are in urgent need of regular cake makers & bakers for Mini Markets. We also need someone to co-ordinate the makers and bakers! Please See Anne Richards for more information.

Upcoming Events

Blue Events are at SBC

Black Events are elsewhere

M & Ms Ladies Group

Wed 18 April 7.45pm in The Link
The Lone Arranger flower arranging
M & Ms is a friendly group aimed at ladies 30-60 yrs. We meet once a month for coffee, making friends and learning new crafts.

Link on Saturday has been brought forward to 21 April

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.

New Dawn Contact Centre AGM

Thu 26 April Refreshments will be served from 7.15pm; the meeting will start at 7.45pm and we anticipate the meeting will take about 45 minutes. SBC forms our Governing Body so we would especially appreciate your attendance in order to ratify the Committee. Following the AGM, please stay on for our **Open Prayer Meeting**. Please make every effort to join us for the NDCCC AGM and then stay on for this meeting. Thank you.
Simon Wroe, Church Secretary

Mini Market Sat 28 April

10.30am Spurgeon Hall

We would be very grateful if you could make an extra effort to provide a cake for the cake stall as our usual bakers have "retired". Cakes can be brought along on Friday from 5.00pm or Saturday from 9.30am.

Helpers are needed on Friday evening to help set up as well as on the day. Please see Anne or Dave Richards if you are able to help or would like to book a table. ☎ 8048 0762 after 2.30pm

✉ annesrich@btinternet.com

Prayer Time for Our Children's And Youth Ministries

Mon 30 April 7.15 – 8.15pm

Come along to hear about what is going on this half term and to pray and thank God with us. We will be meeting in the crèche room at the back of church (from the car park go through the side gate and then the blue door.)

Messy Church Sat 12 May 10.15am

A time of activities for all the family to explore **Peter's friendship with Jesus**, followed by an interactive time for all ages as we talk about the story. At midday, we have a cooked lunch with our time ending at 12.30pm. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the morning. *Suggested donation* £1 per child and adults go free! For further details contact Jo at the church office.

In The Arena: Equipping Men for the Challenges of Life Thu 24 May

King's Community Church Hedge End
Every man encounters challenges in life's arena, but God has called us to live our lives with passion and perseverance.

In The Arena is a Care For The Family men's event where speakers Rob Parsons and Gerrit Bantjes will present biblical principles and insights they have proved through their experience of both triumph and adversity. They will talk about critical areas of everyday life such as friendships, finance, character and career and we know that their encouragement will leave you better prepared to run life's race.

Regular Activities for Adults

Bell Ringing Group

Monday 6pm in The Link
New members are always welcome.

Centering Prayer Tuesdays 7.00pm
in the Church Lounge - entrance via
the rear of the church.

Wednesday Link Coffee Morning
10am - 12 noon

Lunch Club for over 60's

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

Get Together

Thursday 2pm in The Link

Friday Link Coffee Morning

Revised Opening Times:
11am - 1.15pm

Friday Friendship Club

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

Regular Activities for Children, Young People & Families

Tuesday Parent & Toddler Group

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

The Well on Wednesday

Youth Group for School Years 7-10
7.00 to 8.30pm in The Link

Wacky Wednesdays

Re-opens Wed 25 April

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

Wild Wild Wednesdays

Re-opens Wed 25 April

School Years 4-6
6.30 to 7.45pm 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
Dates: 18 April, 23 May, 20 June

Secure in Our Saviour Opportunities for Personal Growth

A variety of **Life Groups** meet at
various times and locations.
Each group has a distinct character
and atmosphere.

Soul for young adults

meets on Thursdays at 6.30pm
See Paul Sutton for more details

All Age Group next meets
Sun 22 Apr at 4.30pm in The Link
Link on Saturday Revised Date
Sat 21 Apr 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, which are available from the stewards & the Office.

Office Opening Hours

Monday 10.00 - 11.30
Tuesday 10.00 - 15.00
Wed, Thu & Fri 10.00 - 11.30

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