

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.

We extend a special welcome to Annie Clewlow
from Communicare in Southampton

Sunday 22 May

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader: Kevin Ings

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Chased By Grace - the Story of Ruth

Fire! Groups

will be going
out during
this service

Our **Fire! Activity Groups** cover all ages from babies to teenagers!
Visiting children are welcome to join in, a welcomer or steward will show
you where your age group is meeting.

The song words are shown on the screens. Folders containing printed words
are available on request if you are unable to see the screen.
Most people stand up during 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 is Fairtrade.

Fancy a fancier coffee?

Filter coffee and specialty teas are available in The Link.

Sunday 29 May

10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader: Jill Waldron

Preacher: Simon Wroe

Whoever Perseveres Wins ...

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4.30pm All Age Home Group meets in The Link

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Our **All Age Home Group** is 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

Sheila, who coordinates our pastoral work will be away from Wed 25 May - Sun 12 June inclusive. Please keep her regularly informed of any pastoral needs or concerns. ☎ 8036 0296

If you have urgent concerns please contact Pastor Shaun Sweeney.
Please note that Shaun will be on holiday from 23 - 30 May inclusive.
Please contact the church office with updates & thanksgiving items.

Contact Us

Pastor: Shaun Sweeney

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Office Hours

Monday 10.00 - 11.30

Tuesday 10.00 - 15.00

Wednesday 10.00 - 11.30

Thursday 10.00 - 11.30

Friday 10.00 - 11.30

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 Sunday 29 May at 4.30pm in The Link

Monthly Home Group next meets on Sat 28 May at 3pm in The Link

Trypraying

Why not try praying about all the amazing things that are going on in the churches in Shirley. This would be a great demonstration of our love for one another as Christians.
A guide to help you pray can be found at www.ctis-southampton.co.uk
Click "Get Involved"

Fellowship News

Childsplay Romania Plant Sales

A range of bedding plants, shrubs and vegetable plants will be on sale at the home of Mark & Helen Tutte, 9 Burgess Rd SO16 7NY Mon to Sat 2pm - 8pm
Until Sat 28 May

Sunflower Competition

£1 Entry fee Sunflowers 50p each
Please see Mark Tutte for entry forms & sunflowers. The prize for the tallest sunflower will be Afternoon Tea for two at the home of Mark & Helen Tutte!

Church Weekend Away Friday 2 - Sunday 4 September

An opportunity to take time out to be spiritually refreshed in the pleasant surroundings of Moorlands College. Colin Bennett, the Vice Principle, will be our guest speaker. Enjoy a weekend away with our Church family, getting to know one another better whilst at the same time enjoying all the facilities of the College. Costs includes: Full board from Friday evening meal until after Sunday lunch, to include use of 14 acre grounds, sports hall, Chapel and all meeting rooms; tea and coffee is available throughout the weekend - Come alone, come with your family, come with your friends — just come and join us! Booking forms are available in The Link.



Donations of food can be left in the Tower. Please contact Kirsty in the Church Office if you have donations of clothes.

Weekly Activities for Adults

Centering Prayer Tuesday 7.30pm
in the Church Lounge

The Link is Open For Coffee!

Wednesday 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.

The Link is Open for Coffee

Friday 11am - 1.30pm

Friday Friendship Club

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

Our Regular Activities for Children, Young People & Families only meet in Term Time

Parent & Toddler Group

Tuesdays 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

The.Club

School Years 9 - 13
8.00-9.30pm either in the Carey Hall or at the Salvation Army

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 Events

M & Ms Ladies Group

Wednesday 25 May

7.45pm in The Link

Theme: At Your Finger Tips

French Manicure & Nail Decoration

SBC Annual General Meeting

Thursday 26 May

7.45pm in the Spurgeon Hall

Please see the insert for more information & personal statement of those nominated for election to the Ministry Team.

Understanding Islam and Engaging with Muslims

Thu 26 May 7 for 7.30pm

Shirley Parish Church, St James Road
Islamophobia - What should be our response to this as Christians? What do Muslims actually believe? How can we engage with Muslim colleagues, neighbours & friends? Come along and hear Phil Simpson from Mahabba answer these questions and put your own questions about the Muslim faith to him.

Mini Market - New Format!

Saturday 28 May

10.30am in the Spurgeon Hall
Helpers are needed on Friday evening to help set up and on the day. Please see Terry Chorley if you are able to help. Donations of cakes are always needed.

Bank Holiday Walk & Lunch

Monday 30 May

Come and join us on the 4 mile Woodgreen Village Walk. Meet at 9.45 am in the Car Park of the Horse and Groom, High Street, Woodgreen, Fordingbridge, SP6 2AS (returning to the Horse and Groom for lunch). Martin Chalke will be leading the walk. For more information contact Margaret and Ken Amy - 023 80 775354.

Hannah & Carl's Wedding

Wednesday 1 June at 2pm

Everyone is welcome to join them for the ceremony.

Please note the Church Car Park will be open for wedding guests only.

Thanksgiving Service for the Life of Queenie Gilbert

Friday 3 June 11.00 am at SBC.

Please note Link Coffee will be closed and the car park will only be open for those attending the service.

Queens's Birthday Celebrations in St James Park, Shirley

Saturday 4 June 11am - 4pm

Friends of St James Park and the Church in Shirley are working together to put on this event to bless our community. There will be various activities available including children's crafts and a treasure hunt around the park, food and music.

Help is needed to put up a marquee before the event starts and/or to take it down afterwards. **Volunteers are needed in hourly slots** to help with the children's activities. Churches Together in Shirley have purchased souvenir books about the Queen and her Christian faith, and so help is needed to give these out to people. Please contact Jo Snape at the church office on 80 399949 or jo@shirleybaptist.org if you would like to get involved in this special event. Look out for invites coming soon to pass on to others.

Praise @ 4pm



Celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday

Sunday 12 June

Followed by afternoon tea
please contact the Church office by
Tuesday 7 June if you need transport