

# Shirley Baptist Church

*a church for the whole community*

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

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

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We extend a special welcome to today's Guest Preacher:  
Rev Keith Hawton, recently retired Minister of Baddesley Baptist Church.  
Please pray for all those who are sharing in fellowship together at our  
Church Weekend Away.

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## Sunday 4 September

### 10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader & Preacher: Rev Keith Hawton

**The Person God Chooses ... and Uses**

### Fire! Groups

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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.

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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 are Fairtrade.  
Fancy a fancier coffee?  
Filter coffee and specialty teas are available in The Link.

R.S.V.P.  


Coming soon: Autumn Sermon Series RSVP - Bible Invitations

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# Sunday 11 September

**10.30 am** **Morning Worship** with Communion

**R.S.V.P.**  


Leader: John Waldron

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

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Our re-vamped balcony opens today.

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**Communion at SBC:** As part of our commitment to being a Church for the  
Whole Community our bread is gluten free & our wine is non-alcoholic.

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## Pastoral Work

Sheila coordinates our pastoral work. Please keep her informed of any  
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.

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### Contact Us

**Pastor:** Shaun Sweeney

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**Children & Family Worker:**

Jo Snape

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### 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 11 Sep at 4.30pm in The Link

**Monthly Home Group** next meets on  
Sat 24 Sep at 3pm in The Link

### Revised Office Opening Hours

Week Commencing Monday 5

September - Closed

(Eveline will be in the office on

Tuesday and Friday for any urgent  
matters)

Normal opening hours will resume

From Monday 12 September

Monday 10.00 - 11.30

Tuesday 10.00 - 15.00

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday  
10.00 - 11.30

### Volunteering Opportunities

Find out what children's, youth and  
family groups we have taking place here  
at Shirley Baptist and the many different  
possibilities of how **you can get  
involved in this exciting and vital  
ministry.** Please help yourself to a  
leaflet today available in the Link and  
next to the tea and coffee hatch in the  
hall. For further information please  
contact Jo Snape at the church office on  
80 399949 or jo@shirleybaptist.org

## Notices

### ChildsPlay Romania

(i) have wool that needs knitters / crocheters to make items for us to send to Romania. If anyone can help us with this please see Sheila or Sara.

(ii) are holding a

### Car Boot & Table Top Sale

**Sat 1 Oct 10 - 12 noon**

See posters for details about booking a car space or table or just come along & find some bargains!

### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Wacky Wednesdays and Wild Wild Wednesdays family fun night. Meeting in St James Park, Church Street at 5.15pm - 6.30pm for activities, games and cake! Children aged 4 - 11 years old are welcome along with younger or older siblings. They must be accompanied by an adult for the evening. Normal club sessions will resume on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>**

**September** in our halls (see website or notice sheet for further details or contact Jo Snape at the church office.)

Needed for the Wednesday clubs please:

(i) **Small** glass jars

(ii) 'The Prince of Egypt' DVD (cartoon version of the story of Moses and the Exodus), **please label it with your name** and pass to Jo Snape, Sara Burns or Paul Thomson or post it through the church office letter box.

(iii) A book of children's names and their meanings **Please label with your name**

(iv) Large cereal boxes (or stiff card) There will be a box on the stage in the hall to collect the jars and cereal boxes. Many thanks for your help!

**Basics Bank are urgently in need of the following items:**

Tinned spaghetti

Tinned carrots, sweetcorn, potatoes

Tinned rice pudding/custard

Tinned meat; Coffee; Spreads e.g. jam, marmite, savoury spreads

### Brave the Shave!

**Saturday 17 September 10am**

Steph Cummins (Kirsty's daughter) will be having her head shaved to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support and you are invited to watch! There will be lots of cake available and donations can be made on the day. Please see Kirsty for details!

## Weekly Activities for Adults

**Centering Prayer is closed until further notice.**

### 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.

### The Link is Open for Coffee

Friday 11am - 12.30pm

### Friday Friendship Club

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

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

### Parent & Toddler Group

**Restarts Tuesday 13 September**

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

**Restarts Friday 16 September**

School Years 7-9

6.45pm Spurgeon Hall

## Monthly Activities for Ladies

### **EVening Fellowship**

2<sup>nd</sup> 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

**M & Ms Extra!** 7.30pm at Santo Lounge on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month

## Upcoming Events

### **New Songs Café**

#### **Sunday 11 September 7pm**

At St James Road Methodist Church  
Get to know some new songs and one another, in an atmosphere of friendship, worship and cake!  
See Karen Hughes or Sandy Cooke for more information!

### **Toddler Group**

#### **Tuesday 13 September**

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

### **EVening Fellowship\***

#### **Tuesday 13 September**

7.30pm in the Carey Hall  
"Silk Stockings and Spitfires"  
Speaker: John Smith

\*Men are welcome to attend this meeting!

### **M & Ms Extra! Wed 14 Sep**

7.30pm at Santo Lounge  
Pop along for coffee & a chat!

### **Whatever Happened to Evangelism? Thu 15 Sep**

10.30-15.30 at Moorlands College  
A one-day conference exploring the shape of evangelism in the UK.

### **Friday Night Takeaway**

#### **Friday 16 September**

A group for young people in School Years 7-9 £1 entrance fee + bring some money for the tuck shop!  
6.45pm Spurgeon Hall

### **Messy Church Set Up**

Help is needed on **Fri 16 September**  
Meet in the Carey Hall at 8pm to set up some tables and chairs. Your support would make a huge difference to the team!

### **Messy Church**

**Sat 17 Sep** 10.15am – 12.30pm.  
Look at the Bible story of Joseph through activities, crafts and interactive story time, followed by a cooked lunch. There will be activities suitable for all ages. £1 per child and adults go free! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Invites are available from the tea & coffee hatch and The Link. If you are coming please use the sign- up sheet available on Sundays, or contact the church office by Mon 12 September so we can have an idea of numbers for food. Please speak to Jo Snape, Rachel McKeeman, Paul Thomson or Simon Wroe for more details.

### **M & Ms Ladies Group**

#### **Wednesday 21 September**

7.45pm in The Link "A Clear View"

### **Induction of Tim Coad**

#### **Saturday 24 September at**

Swaythling Baptist Church. Tim and Eunice invite us all to his Induction at 2.30pm followed by tea at 4.00pm.

### **Reunion for evacuated children**

#### **Saturday 1 October**

Were you one of the children evacuated from Southampton during World War 2? If so, you may be interested in attending a reunion that is to be held at Millbrook Trinity Church on Saturday 1 October between 1.00 and 4.00 pm. There is a small charge of £5.00 per head for refreshments which will include a cup of tea on arrival and afternoon tea. For more details please see Edie Weeks (Sylvia Petty's sister).

### **Chatty Crafters Autumn Fair**

#### **Saturday 1 October 10am to 2pm**

at St James Road Methodist Church. There will be handmade goodies and refreshments with all proceeds going to the Honeypot Charity and Church Development Fund.