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 6 November Church Anniversary

10.30 am Morning Worship



Leader: Kevin Ings Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney An Invitation To Celebrate (Luke 14:17) 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.

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. 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.

RSVP Series Home Group Material is available to download from our website. Each week's notes can be found with the matching sermon in the Listen Again Section.

Sunday 13 November **Remembrance Sunday**



10.30 am

Leader: John Waldron Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Morning Worship with Communion

An Invitation To Carry (Luke 9:23-27)

A more traditional style of service

followed by afternoon tea

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.

Pastoral Work

Sheila coordinates our pastoral work. Please keep her informed of any pastoral needs or concerns. 7 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 🕾 023 8077 3314 Day Off: Monday

Children & Family Worker: Jo Snape

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Office Opening Hours

Monday 10.00 - 11.30 Tuesday 10.00 - 15.00 Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10.00 - 11.30

Items Available

* Power pack for wheelchair - including charger and holdall Free!

* Swivel seat - helps with getting in & out of a car Free!

* Neptune bath chair - rechargeable with suction pads and hand held control. Price negotiable.

Please contact Ruth Powel 78 8077 7439

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 20 Nov at 4.30pm in The Link Monthly Home Group next meets on Sat 19 Nov at 3pm in The Link

Open Church Prayer Meeting Thursday 24 November

7.45pm in the Spurgeon Hall Members and friends of SBC are invited to join us for an evening of sharing and prayer as well as catching up on pastoral news and other matters.

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Notices

Scratch Choir

We are once again this year putting together a Scratch Choir for our Christmas Services. Volunteers are still needed for this.

The following dates have been set aside for Scratch Choir practices at the church: Sundays 13 Nov, 20 Nov, 4 Dec at 2.30pm then either Sun 11 or Sun 18 Dec at 9.30am If you would like to be involved then please speak to Kevin Ings, Rachel McKeeman or Liz Lewis.

Items needed for Messy Church:

* kitchen roll cardboard tubes
* oblong cake boxes (the size and shape which 'French Fancies' or swiss rolls come in)

* A light in the shape of a star which can be turned on and off

Please leave cake boxes and tubes in the collection box on the

stage. Please either see Jo Snape, Rachel McKeeman or Paul Thomson if you can provide a rug, light or nativity set, or the church office (jo@shirleybaptist.org) or 80 399949. Many thanks for your help!

Hannah, our cleaner, will be back from holiday on Mon 14 Nov.

Please would all group leaders make an extra effort to keep the premises clean & tidy and report any problems to the Church Office.

ChildsPlay Romania Update:

Thank you for all your kind donations. Our storage space is now full! Please resume donating in March!

Volunteering Opportunities

Communicare need volunteers

for Friday Lunch Club (regularly) and Afternoon Teas (occasionally) For more information on either of these roles please contact Emily 2 8021 6016

Weekly 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.

The Link is Open for Coffee Friday 11am - 1.30pm

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

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

M & Ms Extra! 7.30pm at Santo Lounge on the 2nd Wed of the month

Upcoming Events

"Arise, Shine" Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer

Monday 7 November 10.30am at Colne Avenue Baptist Church

EVEning Fellowship

Tue 8 Nov 7.30pm in the Carey Hall Presentation on Communicare Speaker: Annie Clewlow Please remember your donations for Basics Bank

Fair Trade Open House

Wed 9 Nov 10am - 9pm A large variety of beautiful, fairly trade goods for sale. All welcome! Hosted by Clem and Elaine Mason, 65 Luccombe Road SO15 7RN

Baptist Cluster Prayer Breakfast

Sat 12 Nov 8:30-10am At Central Baptist Church Numbers to David Masters by 5pm on Thu 10 Nov please! 🕾 8022 5473



Christmas Market Saturday 12 November 11.30am

Kick off the Christmas Season by grabbing some bargains and enjoying tasty treats! We will have the usual stalls and activities for children.



New Songs Café Sun 13 Nov 7pm St James Road Methodist Church. Get to know some new songs and one another, in an atmosphere of friendship, worship and cake!

M & Ms Ladies Group

Wed 23 Nov 7.45pm in The Link Ready To Party

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!

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7.45pm in the Spurgeon Hall Members and friends of SBC are invited to join us for an evening of sharing and prayer as well as catching up on pastoral news and other matters.

Prayer Time for Children's Work

Sat 26 Nov 9.15am in The Link Come and discover what is going on in the groups as we pray for the children and their families and take time to pray for all the upcoming activities. This is a good opportunity to encourage each other and anyone with a heart for praying for our children is welcome.



Leah keeps losing things. First it was her knitting, then the sheep. She frequently loses her temper and some days she thinks she's losing her mind. Or is it her father Simeon who's doing that? Staring out of the window, muttering about angels, waiting with unshakeable conviction for 'God knows what'. It's all a game to Leah's daughter, which only makes things worse.

Something has to change.

We are really excited that Riding Lights Theatre Company are bringing their wonderful new show Simeon's Watch to SBC on **Sat 10 Dec at 7:30pm** and we want to make sure the church is full.

Tickets will be available from Sheila Price, cost £12/£10 for concessions