

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 20 November

10.30 am Morning Worship for the Whole Family

Led by the Link Home Group

Jesus Calms The Storm - Mark 4:35-41

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.

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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!

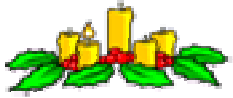
Members of the Prayer Team are available after Morning Worship Services. If you would like someone to pray with you, simply come to the front before you leave.



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 27 November

1st Sunday in Advent

10.30 am Morning Worship & Toy Service



Leader: Kevin Ings

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Beyond Magical To The Miracle

Fire!

Groups

will be going out during this service

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.

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 ☎ 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 4 Dec 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.



Notices

Let the magical become the miracle and don't miss Christ this Christmas

Invitation Cards are now available. Who will you invite to share in the miracle this year?

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: Today then Sundays

4 Dec at 2.30pm followed by 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)
- * small cereal boxes

Please leave boxes and tubes in the collection box on the stage.

Many thanks for your help!

ChildsPlay Romania Update:

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

Volunteering Opportunities

Volunteer are urgently needed to serve coffee in the Spurgeon Hall after morning services on a rota basis. Please see Jan & Pete Baker if you can serve the church in this way.

CommuniCare need volunteers for Friday Lunch Club (regularly) and Afternoon Teas (occasionally)
For more information on either of these roles please contact Emily

☎ 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

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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Men's Breakfast for those who follow Christ Jesus

Saturday 26 November

9am at George's Cafe, Church Street
We offer a prayer of thanks before ordering our food

Prayer Time for Children's Work

Sat 26 Nov 9.15am in The Link
Come along to pray for our midweek groups, Messy Church, FIRE and the Christmas CTiS event all through which we seek to share the truth of Christmas with children and families. Don't worry if you can't stay for the whole hour; just come for as long as you can.

O Come Emmanuel

Sunday 27 November 6.30pm
at St James Rd Methodist Church
A service of music and readings for the First Sunday in Advent

Southampton Port Carol Concert

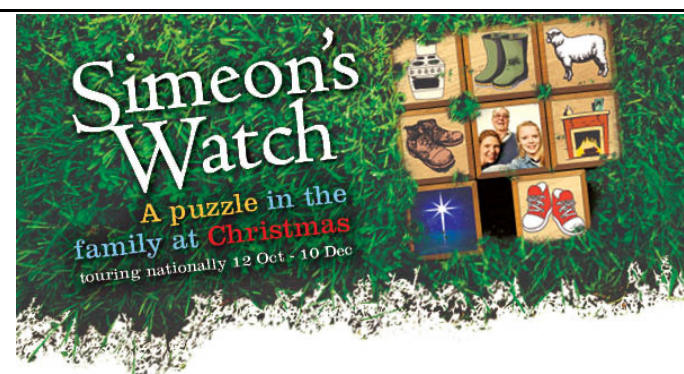
Thu 8 Dec 7pm at Ocean Terminal, Eastern Docks. Tickets £5 available from Roger ☎ 079 6334 5618; John ☎ 077 7432 8595 or Sailors' Society ☎ 8051 5950 & on the door. Proceeds go towards the work of Sailors' Society, The Mission to Seafarers and Apostleship of the Sea.

Christmas Messy Church

Sat 10 Dec 10.15am – 12.30pm

Join us for a range of activities for all ages as we explore the story of Jesus' birth together, through making and doing things, as well as taking part in the story and having a time to sing and pray. Following this there will be a light lunch of Christmas nibbles and treats. £1 per child and adults go free!

Invites are available in the Link and in the hall; so help yourself, then pass them to others. For further details see Rachel McKeeman, Paul Thomson or Jo Snape or contact Jo at the church office.



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.

Saturday 10 December 7.30pm

Tickets from Sheila Price

Cost £12/£10 for concessions

Songs of Praise by Candlelight

Sunday 11 December at 4pm

followed by light refreshments