

# Shirley Baptist Church

every day church for everywhere people

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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## Sunday 8 April

**10.30 am Morning Worship** with Communion  
Leader: Pastor Shaun Sweeney  
Preacher: Assistant Pastor Paul Sutton  
**New Sermon Series:**  
**The Apprentice** 1 Timothy 1:1-11

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

**4.00 pm**

**Praise @ 4pm**

A more traditional style of service  
followed by afternoon tea

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

**The Barnabas Fund** is a Confidential Fund to make small gifts to those in need as a sign of our Christian Love. Envelopes are available in the pews if you would like to donate to this fund.

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### **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.

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

# Sunday 15 April

## 10.30 am Morning Worship

Leader & Preacher:  
Simon Wroe

**Habakkuk 3:16-19**

**Fire!**

**Groups**

will be going  
out during  
this service

### Pastoral Work:

**Margaret H, who is coordinating the Pastoral Work during Sheila's sabbatical, is away on holiday Sunday 8 to Thursday 19 April.**

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

### Thanks

**Eric & Sheila Waldron** would like to thank everyone for the cards & congratulations, on their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

### Church Directory Update

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

### Notices

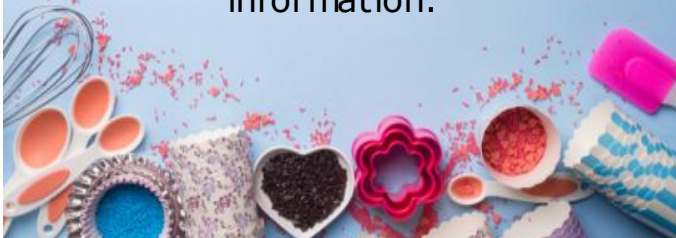
#### Financial Year-End

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.

#### 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.



### 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.

#### Female Volunteer Counsellors

The Waterfall is looking for female volunteer counsellors to train in the use of the Genesis Process (a biblical and neurochemical understanding of addiction and recovery) in return for providing at least 2 hours of weekly one to one with a Waterfall client for up to a year. You must have some counselling skills and some understanding of addiction. To explore this opportunity contact Tricia ☎ 075 1803 2245 or ✉ tricia@thewaterfall.org.uk

## Upcoming Events

**Blue Events** are at SBC

**Black Events** are elsewhere

### Tuesday Afternoon Life Group

will continue to meet at 1.30pm

### EVening Fellowship

**Tue 10 Apr** 7.30pm in the Carey Hall

**39th Anniversary Celebration** with June, Howard & Paul, a Trio playing popular/folk music

Please remember your donations for Basics Bank

**Organ Recital** St James Rd Methodist

**Wed 18 April 7.30pm**

By Professor Dr Ian Tracey (Organist 'Titulaire' at Liverpool Anglican Cathedral) Tickets £11.00 available on the door or in advance from

David Woodman: ☎ 8073 5936

✉ davidjwoodman@uwclub.net

### 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.

### Christians Against Poverty (CAP)

**Money Course** Shirley Parish Hall,

St James Road/Colebrook Avenue

7.30pm on **Wed 25 April** & following

3 Wednesdays: 2, 9 & 16 May.

To find out more about the Money

Course visit: [ww.capmoneycourse.org](http://ww.capmoneycourse.org)

To book your place on the course ring

☎ 023 8077 1755

### 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

### Messy Church Sat 12 May 10.15am

A time of activities for all the family to explore a Bible story together, 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. We ask for a contribution of £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

**Re-Opens 18 April** 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

**Our Regular Activities for Children, Young People & Families are closed for the Easter Holidays**

### Tuesday Parent & Toddler Group

**Re-opens Tue 16 April**

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

### The Well on Wednesday

**Re-opens Wed 18 April**

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

## 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** next meets  
**Sat 28 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

## Contact Us

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**Children & Family Worker:**

Jo Snape ☎ 023 8039 9949

✉ jo@shirleybaptist.org

Day Off: Thursday

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