

# 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 26 May

**10.30am Morning Worship**



Leader: Jill Waldron

Preacher: John Waldron

**The Greatest Story:  
Joseph: Slave to Saviour**

**Fire!  
Groups**  
will be going  
out during  
this service

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**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, please 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!

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

**Refreshments are served in The Link** after Morning Worship.  
We are a Fairtrade Church.



# Sunday 2 June

## 10.30am Morning Worship with Communion



Leader: John Waldron

Preacher: Assistant Pastor Paul Sutton

**The Greatest Story:  
Far From Home**

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

**Pastoral Work:** Sheila, coordinates our Pastoral Work, please keep her informed of pastoral needs or concerns. ☎ 8036 0296

**If you have *urgent pastoral concerns***, please contact Assistant Pastor Paul Sutton. Please contact the office with updates & thanksgiving news.

**This week's Church Office Hours are:**

**Mon 27 Closed Tue 10am - 3pm, Wed, Thu & Fri 10 - 11.30am**

## Notices

**Friday Friendship Club** have a few seats available on their **trip to Weymouth** on Thursday 6 June. Tickets: £18.00. Please see Elaine Matthews/Barbara Rothwell for further details.

### Accommodation Wanted

Anna is a teacher at Bannister School, she is German and a practicing Christian. She is looking for accommodation preferably in a Christian household. Please phone Betty if you could help or suggest a contact ☎ 023 8021 1681.

**Hannah, our cleaner will be on holiday from Wed 29 May - Mon 3 June.** Please make an extra effort to leave our premises as you would expect to find it. *Thank you*

### Pastoral Surgery

During Shaun's sabbatical, Paul will be holding a Pastoral Surgery every Friday afternoon *by appointment* from 1pm to 3pm starting on 7 June.

This is an opportunity for support, prayer and discussion. If you have any particular challenges or issues where you would appreciate prayer and the opportunity to share, or if you would appreciate discussing further something which may have arisen out of a Sunday sermon or a question you may be wrestling with, then this is the ideal opportunity for you. To book an appointment please contact the Church Office before midday Thursday.

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Envelopes are now available for one-off donations which are eligible for Gift Aid. If you give regularly please see Anne or Dave Richards.

## Upcoming Events

Blue events are at SBC Black Events are Elsewhere

### This Week is Half Term.

All our Weekly Activities for Children, Young People & Families are closed.



### Childsplay Romania Plant Sales

A range of bedding plants, shrubs and vegetable plants are now on sale at 9 Burgess Road SO16 7NY 10am to 8pm until the end of May

### Local Solutions Group

Thu 30 May 11.30am - 2.30pm  
In the Carey Hall

Come along to find out more about what is being done in our community and the types of support available. Tells us what you think about our local area and what you want to improve.

For more information contact Isobel  
☎ 078 1858 9545

### Tom Seyah Live at The Chapel,

Royal Victoria Country Park

Saturday 1 June 7.30pm

Tomas Seyah is a Christian Soul/R&B artist, songwriter and 'Melodies Man' seeking to bring *good news to the masses*; reversing hopelessness, impossibility, and insecurity. (The band also features Laurence Henderson on guitar.) They would really appreciate your support if anyone can come along. Tickets from Charlotte Henderson ☎ 023 8122 2607 or via Eventbrite

### Taste, See And Follow Course: Continues on Mondays

3, 10, 17 & 24 June

Come and join this 6-week course to find out more about what Christians believe, and how you can have or deepen your own faith.

We will meet in the Carey Hall at 12.30pm beginning with a light lunch. For more information please see Brenda Greenwood.

### Prayer Lunch - Tue 4 June

12.30pm in the Keeble Centre

Anyone who would like to Paul for a time of prayer and a packed lunch, for all or part of the time is very welcome.

### Jeweles Craft Fair

Sat 8 June 11am - 3pm

in the Spurgeon Hall

Supporting Muscular Dystrophy UK



### Messy Church Lite

Sat 8 June 4.00-5.30pm

It's creative, it's in the Link ...

It's where everyone from the youngest to the oldest participate and learn together about following Jesus. We sing, look at the Bible in different ways, listen, pray, get busy with stuff and eat lots of cake!

Praise @ 4pm

### Sunday 9 June

A traditional style service followed by afternoon tea

### M & Ms Ladies Group

Wed 26 June 7.45pm in The Link

Summer Buffet

A friendly group aimed at ladies 30-60 yrs. We meet once a month for coffee, making friends and learning new crafts.

### Stories from 'Beside the Bridge'

Thu 27 June 6.45-7.30pm

Please join us for a Ploughman's Supper (Options: cheese, ham or vegan)

7.30pm Praise & Worship and Stories from 'Beside the Bridge' (Tek Ura)



With Guest Speakers,  
Our BMS link workers in Albania: Matt & Suzanne Gregory.

Please contact Jane & Pete to book your meal option ☎ 023 8078 2678

✉ janepeterack@hotmail.com

## Life Groups

Secure in Our Saviour:  
Opportunities for Personal Growth

**Tuesday Afternoon Life Group**  
2pm in The Link

**Thursday Morning Life Group**  
10am for a 10.30 start in The Link

**Thursday Evening Life Groups**  
Meet at various locations - Please ask  
the stewards for more information

**SOUL Group** for young adults  
Thursday 6:30pm at Paul & Laura's

**Sunday Life Group** 6.30pm  
See Pete & Jane Rackham for details

Our **All Age Life Group** next meets  
on Sun 26 May at 4pm in The Link

**Link on Saturday** next meets  
on Sat 29 June at 3pm Venue TBC

## Prayer Opportunities

**Prayer Lunch - Tue 4 June**

**Talk - Eat - Pray**  
**Mon 29 July** 12 noon in The Link

## Weekly Activities for Adults

**Bell Ringing Group**  
Monday 6.30pm in The Link  
New members are very welcome!

**Wednesday Link Coffee Morning**  
10am - 12noon

**Thursday Lunch Club**  
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**  
11am - 1.15pm

**Friday Friendship Club**  
1.45pm in the Spurgeon Hall  
Speakers, entertainment,  
refreshments and friendship

## Weekly Activities for Children, Young People & Families are Closed for Half Term

**Tuesday Parent & Toddler Group**  
The Link opens for coffee at 9.15am  
The group runs 10.00 - 11.30am

**The Lighthouse** (School Years 1-6)  
Wednesday 5.00-6.30pm Carey Hall

**Well on Wednesday** (Years 7-10)  
Wednesday 7.00-8.30pm via The Link

## Monthly Activities

**M & Ms Ladies Group**  
Wednesdays: 26 June & 24 July  
at 7.45pm in The Link

**Board Games Evening** 6.30-8.30pm  
Saturdays: 15 June & 13 July

## Church Directory & Database

The church office maintains a *strictly confidential* database of all members and regular attendees.

We encourage all those who have recently joined us or moved to a new house to complete a Pastoral Database Information Form available from the stewards & the Office.

The Church Directory includes photos of our adults to help you get to know others; copies are available from the Church Office.

## Contact Us

**Pastor Shaun Sweeney**  
is currently on sabbatical

**Assistant Pastor:** Paul Sutton  
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