

# 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 3 November Church 167<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**10.30am Morning Worship with Communion** **Fire! Groups**  
Leader: Paul Sutton are going out  
Preacher: Shaun Sweeney and will finish  
at 12noon.

**4.30pm All Age Life 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.

**Communion at SBC:** As part of our commitment to be 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 will be 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! Details of where each age group meets are inside!

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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.

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



**12.30pm Tuesday 5 November**

## **Prayer Lunch** in the Keeble Centre

Shaun and Paul will be sharing a time of prayer and a packed lunch. Anyone who would like to join them for all or part of the time is very welcome.



## **Remembrance Sunday 10 November**



**10.30am Morning Worship**

Leader: Shaun Sweeney

Preacher: Paul Sutton

**Fire! Groups**

are going out and will finish at 12noon.

**4.00pm**

*Praise @ 4pm*

**A more traditional style of service** followed by afternoon tea

### **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 Pastor Shaun Sweeney. Please contact the office with updates & thanksgiving news.

**Church Office Hours:** Monday 10 - 11.30am, **Tue 5 November Closed** Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10 - 11.30am

**The office will be closed Week Commencing 11 November.**

### **Fire! Activity Groups**

**Crèche** (birth to 2 years) meets in the Church Lounge. Please use left door at the end of the aisle. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Flickers** (children 2-4 years old) meets in the Church Lounge. Please use the right door at the end of the aisle.

**Sparklers** (Yrs R-2) meet in the Carey Hall (accessed via the Spurgeon Hall).

**Rockets** (Yrs 3-6) meet in the Spurgeon Hall.

**Children need to be signed in and out of each session by a parent.**

**Flame** (Yrs 7-11) meets in the Keeble Centre. Young People do not need to be signed in and will be returned to the Link at 12noon by their Leaders.

### **Notices**



**Do your children or grandchildren have old toys or games clogging up cupboards or laying un-loved on the top shelf?**

Why not spread some goodwill this festive season by donating them to our **Christmas Market Toy Stall!**

Please make sure that all the pieces of a set are bagged up together and all the pieces of a jigsaw are together in the original box.

## Upcoming Events

**Blue events** are at SBC **Black Events** are Elsewhere



### Fair Trade Open House Tue 5 & Wed 6 Nov

Not Wed & Thu as previously published

10am -7pm @ Clem and Elaine's home:  
65 Luccombe Road SO15 7RN  
Make it a fairtrade Christmas, with  
original gifts and food from all over the  
developing world!

### Board Games Evening

**Sat 16 Nov 6.30pm Spurgeon Hall**

Get to know people & deepen  
relationships. Bring friends to a church  
group. Bring along your favourite game  
or choose from the selection the Insley  
Family have! For more information,  
please speak to Tim & Naomi at church  
or [✉ insleys@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:insleys@hotmail.co.uk)

### M & Ms Ladies Group

**Wed 20 Nov 7.45pm in The Link**  
"Table Centrepiece"

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

### Childsplay Romania

#### Christmas Shopping Evening

**Thu 21 Nov 7-9pm Spurgeon Hall**  
Entrance 50p Refreshments available!

Stalls include: \*Cakes \*Bodyshop  
\*Usborne Books \*Today's the Clay  
\*Darcey's Candles \*JJ's Needful Things

### Christmas Market

**Saturday 23 November 10.30am**

\*Cakes \*Jewellery \*Toys \*Books  
\*Fancy Goods \*Bric-a-Brac & more!  
Bacon rolls will be available!

### Dutch Christian Band "Trinity" Sat 23 Nov

8pm at Colbury Memorial Hall, SO40 7EL  
Trinity are "craftsmen of heavenly parties" -  
blending genres into an eclectic music  
experience that is sweet to the ears  
and uplifting to the soul. There will be hot  
chocolate, non-alcoholic mulled wine and  
snacks, while listening to beautiful  
Christmas songs ... what's not to like?!  
Tickets available from Eventbrite via:  
<https://bandtrinity.com/>

### Open Church Prayer Meeting

**Thu 28 Nov 7.45pm 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.

### Link on Saturday

**30 November 3-5pm in The Link**

A monthly group for families, couples  
and individuals who find it difficult to  
meet at other times.

See Clint Zvavamwe for details.

### Church Christmas Party

**Saturday 30 November 5-7pm**

Tickets available from Sheila Price.  
£3 adults & £1 children

### Christmas Messy Church

**Sat 7 Dec 10.15am -12.30pm**

Fun, Food & Friendship for All Ages!  
Crafts, Activities & The Nativity Story  
followed by a light lunch.

Suggested Donation £1 per Child  
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)  
To book a place use the sign-up sheet  
in The Link or contact the Church  
Office ☎ 8039 9949



### Christmas Tree Festival

**Sat 14 December 10am - 5pm**

**Sun 15 December 2 - 4pm**

Come and meet Nick Girdler (former  
Radio Solent Presenter) who will judge  
the trees at 2.30pm on Saturday.

There will also be children's crafts,  
refreshments and stalls!

Free entry with donations towards  
orphan work in Ukraine.



## Life Groups

### 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

### SOUL Group for young adults

Thursday 6:30pm at Paul & Laura's

### Sunday Life Group 6.30pm

See Pete & Jane Rackham for details

### All Age Life Group next meets on

**Sun 17 Nov** at 4pm in The Link

### Link on Saturday next meets on

**Sat 30 Nov** at 3pm

## Weekly Activities for Adults

### Bell Ringing Group

**Monday** 6.30pm in The Link

### Wednesday Link Coffee Morning

10am - 12noon

### Thursday Get Together

2pm in The Link

### Friday Link Coffee Morning

11am - 1.15pm

### Friday Friendship Club

1.45pm Spurgeon Hall

Speakers, entertainment, refreshments and friendship

## Weekly Activities for Children, Young People & Families

### Parent & Toddler Group

#### Tuesdays during term time

The Link opens for coffee at 9.15am

The group runs 10.00 - 11.30am

### The Lighthouse

For children in school years 1-6

5-6.30pm Carey Hall

### The Well

For young people in Years 7-10

7-8.30pm The Link

## Prayer Opportunities

### Prayer Lunch - Tue 5 November

### Open Church Prayer Meeting

**Thu 28 Nov** 7.45pm Spurgeon Hall

### Talk - Eat - Pray

**Mon 27 Jan** 12 noon in The Link

## Monthly Activities

### M & Ms Ladies Group 7.45pm

Wednesdays 20 Nov, 11 Dec

### Board Games Evening 6.30-8.30pm

Saturdays 14 Dec, 18 Jan, 15 Feb

## 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

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