

Shirley Baptist Church

every day church for everywhere people

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

Sunday 26 April

10.30am **Online Worship** including Children's Talk
Preacher: Assistant Pastor Paul Sutton

4.00pm **Families at Four**
Our Online Worship Service aimed at 3-11's and their parents, but anyone is welcome to tune in. There'll be singing, games, challenges, special guests and a Bible talk as well as an opportunity to discuss and apply the teaching and pray together as a family. Do join us as we worship, have fun and hear from God's word together.

Resources for Fire! Activity Groups and **Families at Four** for parents to use at home with their children and young people will be sent by email.



Please subscribe to our Shirley Baptist Church channel on YouTube. Hit the bell  to receive notifications when we publish new videos!
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC51s_Suyo_aAhVos6H0HS8g

Birthdays This Week (Surnames have been shortened for privacy)

Helen T, Elaine Mas, Liz L

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Sunday 3 May

10.30am **Online Worship** with Communion & Children's Talk
Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney



To share in Communion you will need a small amount of red juice or squash plus a slice of bread for sharing or a small piece of bread for a single person.

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God Loves A Cheerful Giver - Especially if you can *giftaid* it!

If you give using the envelope scheme please save your envelopes and let us have them when it is safe to do so.

If you wish to start giving regularly or can change to giving by standing order or bank transfer, please contact Anne or Dave Richards.

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 or Assistant Pastor Paul Sutton.

Please contact the office with updates & thanksgiving news.

The Church Office is now being run from home!

Kirsty is working Mon & Wed - Fri mornings as usual. If you need to speak to Kirsty regarding office matters, please ring 074 8688 3296.

Eveline continues to send fellowship communication emails from her home email account.

Please make sure that we have up to date contact details for you, especially email addresses, so that we can keep you informed and supported during this time. There have been several emails to the whole fellowship and some of you are missing out. Rest assured that, unless you give permission, your email address will not appear in the church directory and will be kept confidential at all times.

All On Site Events and Activities are Cancelled

Please pray for those that usually attend the following events & activities:

Monday Weekly Groups: English Classes, Brownies & Bell Ringing Group
Escape the Pain follow up sessions run by Saints Foundation

Monthly Groups due to meet this week: Townswomen's Guild

Life Groups are keeping in touch in various ways.

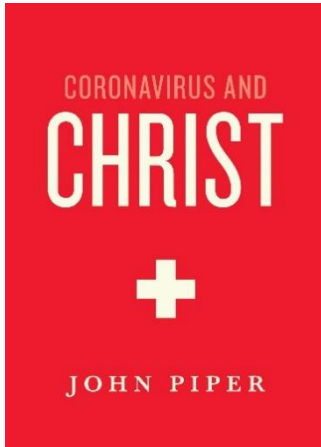
Please check with your leaders how your group is keeping in touch.

Virtual SOUL Group is now open to everyone!

Every Thursday at 7:30pm via Facebook Video.

If you would like to join for fellowship, prayer and Bible study, please contact Paul Sutton:  paul.sutton@shirleybaptist.org

Free Bible Study Resource: Coronavirus and Christ



In the midst of this fear and uncertainty, it is natural to wonder what God is doing. In *Coronavirus and Christ*, John Piper invites readers around the world to stand on the solid Rock, who is Jesus Christ, in whom our souls can be sustained by the sovereign God who ordains, governs, and reigns over all things to accomplish his wise and good purposes for those who trust in him. Piper offers six biblical answers to the question "What is God doing through the coronavirus?" - reminding us that God is at work in this moment in history.

The PDF and audio book are available to download from the follow sources:
Logos Bible Software: <https://www.logos.com/free-coronavirus-book>

Olive Tree Bible App:

https://www.olivetree.com/store/home.php?cat=992&sort=title_popular&set_page_size=55&spMailingID=64552132&spUserID=MTAzNjMyODE0MjY1S0&spJobID=1861946426&spReportId=MTg2MTk0NjQyNgS2

Prayer Opportunities

Weekly Virtual Prayer Meeting for all Wednesdays at 7:30pm

An encouraging time of prayer and fellowship – much needed at this time.

If you would like to join, please contact Paul Sutton confirming whether you have Skype, Facebook or both and he will take the appropriate action to add you in.

Prayer Diary for the Coming Week: (Surnames have been shortened for privacy)

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| Sun 26 | Petrica G |
| Mon 27 | May God lead our prayers for the Mission of SBC |
| Tue 28 | Kitty G |
| Wed 29 | Pat G |
| Thu 30 | All those still suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus |
| Fri 1 | May the restrictions that social isolation has placed on all of us give us greater understanding of, and empathy for those who are always 'home alone' |
| Sat 2 | May God grant our government wisdom as they seek to manage the current crisis. |

Children, Young People & Families

Lighthouse Online Wednesdays at 5pm on our YouTube Channel Aimed at school children in years R-6. There will be songs, games, challenges, special guests and a Bible talk. Activity sheets can be downloaded via our website: <https://www.shirleybaptist.org/whats-on/event/the-lighthouse/>

Online Assembly at 3pm on Weekdays via SCM Schools YouTube channel Hosted by Matt & Ellie from **Southampton City Mission**

They will be telling stories, doing magic tricks, answering questions, creating crafts, and as much of all the other fun stuff that they usually get up to during a visit to school as possible!

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiX4q-jgs-1UiHRcbIXGEUw/>

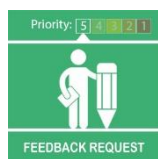
A Message from Laura:

As the world continues home schooling / remotely / digitally educating our kids, if you need assistance with understanding something that has been assigned for your child, or need more resources, just give me a shout. Although I've been out of education for 6 months due to working as a children's and youth worker at a church, I am a qualified higher level teaching assistant (which means I'm qualified to teach) and happy to help. (If I don't know the answer, I can probably find someone who does!)

#BetterTogether ❤️ 📖 ✎

Ideas for Families will be posted **at 10am on weekdays** on our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/ShirleyBaptistSouthampton/> If you have any suggestions or links, please send them to

Kirsty ✉️ office@shirleybaptist.org or Laura ✉️ laura@shirleybaptist.org



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The Big Conversation

Are you, or do you know, someone aged between 14-25?

Hampshire Police and Crime Commissioner Michael Lane's Youth Commission are seeking views from those aged 14-25 on crime and policing issues that matter most to them.

The Youth Commission are gathering views on:

- Serious violence
- Exploitation
- Hate Crime
- Any other policing issues that affect young people

They want to collect ideas on how to tackle them and use it to create innovative and dynamic campaigns, and present solutions to the Commissioner, police and partners.

Take part here: <https://cutt.ly/ayyhc3t>