

Shirley Baptist Church

every day church for everywhere people

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

Sunday 25 October

10.30am Online Worship with Children's Talk

Preacher: Simon Wroe

4.00pm Families at Four

Our Online Worship Service aimed at 3-11's and their parents, but anyone is welcome to tune in.



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

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The Church Office is now open:

10am-12noon on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

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Sunday 1 November

10.30am Online Worship with Children's Talk

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

New Sermon Series begins:

Wrestling with God



This service includes Communion.

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

If you give using the envelope scheme, please pass your envelopes to the Church Office or to Anne & Dave.

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.

Prayer Opportunities

Wednesday 28 October Prayer Meeting *in the Sanctuary* at 7.30pm

Entrance will be through the car park door to The Link.

Please come near to the starting time and leave straightaway afterwards.

Check-in via the NHS app or give your name and contact details to the steward. Everyone will be expected to use hand sanitiser, wear a face covering and maintain social distancing. Please do not attend if you are experiencing any of the signs of Covid-19.

Children & Families



Virtual Light Party - Sat 31 October
Live at 5pm via our YouTube Channel

Please Pray for the children and families who will be attending and for those involved in the running of the session.

Sunday 6 December Families at Four

We hope to be able to meet in person for this special Christmas Service aimed at children 3-11 years and their parents. Numbers will be limited. Booking will open nearer the time as we will need to keep in mind the ever changing government guidance.

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 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



If you would be interested in taking part in the upcoming Christianity Explored Course, please speak to Shaun or Paul.

Worship in the Sanctuary

We are very pleased to announce that we have **planned two worship services** that limited numbers will be able to attend in person.

To book a place for our Morning Worship Services, please contact the Church office by email or telephone. As we do not yet know how many people are likely to want to attend, and in order to be fair to those who get updates by post we will let you know whether or not you have a place on the Thursday or Friday before the service date.

Remembrance Sunday 8 November Reflective Worship at 10.30am

Please request your place by 12noon on Friday 30 October.

Places will be confirmed on Thursday 5 or Friday 6 November.

Sunday 13 December Reflective Christmas Worship at 10.30am

Please request your place by 12noon on Friday 4 December.

Places will be confirmed on Thursday 10 or Friday 11 December.

Online Events

The Gathering 24-7 Prayer's First Online Conference **Friday 30 October - Sunday 1 November**

In the midst of a global pandemic, our world has been shaken; we are called for such a time as this - to intentionally gather as the people of God, in our homes and our churches, to seek the Lord, anticipating that He will move powerfully among us to renew our vision, restore our souls and compel us to pursue Jesus where we are.

FREE access - register at www.24-7prayer.com/Gathering

SCRATCH charity AGM - Wednesday 4 November at 2pm via Zoom

Please join us for an insight into our work, an update on how we're tackling the challenges that 2020 has brought and an opportunity for people to ask questions. We look forward to "seeing" you!

Ann Laird, Chair to the Board. [Please sign up via Eventbrite](#)



What happens when you throw an ex-army paratrooper and a 1920's penny farthing bicycle together? We realise no one has ever asked this question but... in our brand new event, **Run the Race**, we answer it anyway.

Rob Parsons OBE, founder of Care for the Family, Mark Chester, founder of Who Let The Dads Out, and Gerrit Bantjes, founder of having a name that no one can pronounce, join together to bring you this event – specifically designed for men.

Rob, Mark and Gerrit delve into the realities of how we run the race of life, and what perseverance looks like for us as men today. In any physical race, we can do things to help us endure, and the same goes for everyday life. There are real pressures and responsibilities that arise that we can be ready for.

During the event, Rob Parsons speaks with you entirely from the comfort of our studio ... while Mark and Gerrit do so whilst facing each other in a literal bike race, filled with obstacles and challenges. We also have some very special guests to help us unpack perseverance, including Britain's Got Talent semi-finalist John Archer.

To book your free ticket for **Tue 10, Wed 11 or Thu 12 November at 7.30pm** visit: www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/run-the-race

Keeping Our Buildings and Fellowship Safe

As we gradually begin to open our premises it is imperative that **no one enter any part of our buildings** without either the Church Office or our Church Secretary, Brenda Greenwood knowing about it in advance and giving permission. It is important to limit the spread of the virus and allows for cleaning to be focused where the risk has been highest.

Check-in via the NHS Covid-19 Test & Trace App

The app allows you to record when you visit our premises by "checking-in" when you arrive, using the QR code which is on display at each entrance. If you do not have the app you will need to give your name and contact details to the steward.

Please don't enter these premises if you have:



a high temperature

a new continuous cough

a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste



PLEASE WEAR
AN APPROPRIATE
FACE COVERING



USE HAND
SANITISER



KEEP A SAFE
DISTANCE
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Basics Bank is now operating from SBC on Thursdays.

In this time of unprecedented need, we are incredibly grateful to still be receiving donations of food for our Basics Banks.

Get the FoodBank App to keep up to date with current food needs.

The free Foodbank App will give you: Up to date shopping list, Venue locations & maps, News updates & Online giving portal. Available free from the Apple App Store, or for Android on Google Play.

Install the App, select *Southampton Basics Bank*, and you'll always know what we need the most! Then donate via the Church Office or the designated Food Collection Point at one of following the Supermarkets: Asda in The Marlands; Food Warehouse at West Quay; Lidl in the City Centre and in Shirley; NISA Local in Maybush; Sainsbury's in: Hedge End, Lordshill, Portswood and Shirley; The Co-Op in Sholing

Urgently Needed

Custard
Rice Pudding
Tinned cold meat
(ham/spam/corned beef etc.)
Tinned hot meat
(stew/curry/mince/pies etc.)

Low On Stock

Jam and Spreads
Small Jars of Coffee
Tinned Fruit
Baby toiletries - nappies,
creams, powders, wipes
Deodorant (male & female)

General toiletries
Sanitary Products
Shampoo
Shower Gel
Toothpaste / Toothbrushes