

Shirley Baptist Church

every day church for everywhere people

Shirley Baptist Church, Southampton, Registered Charity Number 1131764

We welcome you to worship!

We hope you will feel at home with us.

Sunday 5 September

10.30am Morning Worship with Communion

Leader: Keith Hawton

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

New Sermon Series: **A Time To Build
A Vision To Build** Nehemiah 1:1-11

Life Group Notes are available to download from our website and printed copies from the Church Office.

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!

Communion at SBC: As part of our commitment to be a Church for Everyone, gluten free bread will be available & our wine is non-alcoholic. Please collect your bread and cup on your way into the service.

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.

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

We do not take up a collection during our services - There are offering boxes at the end of each aisle. Envelopes are available for one-off donations which are eligible for Gift Aid.

If you wish to give regularly, please see Anne or Dave Richards.



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.

We are not currently serving refreshments, so please make your way outside promptly at the end of the service.

Sunday 12 September

10.30am Morning Worship

Leader: Brenda Greenwood

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Sermon Series: **A Time To Build**
Based on the book of Nehemiah

Fire! Activity Groups

Crèche (birth to 2 years) and **Flickers** (children 2-4 years old) meet in the Church Lounge. Please use doors at the end of each aisle.

Sparklers (Yrs R-2) and **Rockets** (Yrs 3-6) meet in the Spurgeon Hall.

Children need to be booked 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.

Pastoral Work

Sheila coordinates our Pastoral Work; Please keep her informed of pastoral needs or concerns. ☎ 023 8042 8283

If you have urgent pastoral concerns, please contact Pastor Shaun Sweeney. Please contact the office with updates & thanksgiving news.

Church Directory & Database

The church office maintains a *strictly confidential* database of everyone in our fellowship.

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.

We must all remember that COVID-19 remains a part of our lives. Vigilance must be maintained, and you are asked to make informed decisions and act carefully and proportionately, to manage the risks to yourselves and others (particularly the clinically extremely vulnerable and those who are not yet fully vaccinated).

All those attending for worship should continue to "check-in" via the NHS Covid-19 App or give contact details to the welcomers.

Face coverings remain recommended by Government and the Baptist Union in enclosed and crowded spaces. Rather than protecting the wearer, they do more to protect others from any infection the wearer may unwittingly otherwise transmit.

Please be aware that some people are exempt from wearing face coverings and there will be those who may not wish to sit close to others, shake hands or hug.

Please inform Brenda Greenwood or the Church Office if you test positive for Covid-19 after attending any event on our premises.

Upcoming Events

Board Games Evening Sat 11 September 6.30pm in the 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 Wednesday 22 September 7.45pm in The Link
A friendly group aimed at ladies 30-60 yrs. We meet once a month for coffee, making friends and learning new crafts.



Sunday 3 October we celebrate Harvest & God's blessings on us.

It is a tradition for everyone to bring donations of all sorts of food to help feed those who are hungry in our city, via City Mission's Basics Bank.

Food items urgently need: tinned cold meat (ham/spam/corned beef; rice pudding, custard, small bags of sugar, squash and drinks, treats (crisps, chocolate etc), UHT Milk Jams & spreads, tinned sweetcorn, tinned spaghetti, dog food

Toiletries urgently need: toothpaste & toothbrushes, deodorant (male & female) soap & shower gel, shampoo, toilet rolls

Sunday 10 October

We will have **Sharon Tedford of 61 Things** with us for Morning Worship at 10.30am

In the evening she will share songs, stories and scripture from her latest album & book.

UK Tour 2021



WHEN
7:30pm Sunday 10th October
(doors open 7pm)

WHERE
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Church Ladies' Day: Saturday 16 October 9.45am – 3pm

All Ladies are urged to join us for a day of spiritual development and worship, crafts and activities, plus a Guest Speaker to enhance their own spiritual journey. Lunch will be included.

Please book your place with Brenda Greenwood or the Church Office.

Term Time Activities for Children & Families

Speckled Frogs Toddler Group Re-starts 10am Tue 14 Sep

Please book your place by emailing:
speckled.frogs@shirleybaptist.org

Activities for Adults

We have a variety of different groups that provide a place to build friendships:

Bell Ringing Group and Coffee Mornings have not yet set dates to re-start.

Get Together for Chat & Craft
Re-starts Thursday 9 September
2pm in The Link

Friday Friendship Club
Plans to re-start in October
1.30pm in the Spurgeon Hall
Speakers, entertainment,
refreshments and friendship for older folk

Monthly Activities

M & Ms Ladies Group
Monthly on a Wednesday: 7.45pm in The Link

Dates: 22 September, 20 October, 17 November & 8 December

Board Games Evening
Monthly on a Saturday: 6.30-8.30pm in the Spurgeon Hall

Dates: 11 September, 16 October & 20 November

Life Groups

We have a variety of groups, each with a distinct flavour, meeting at various places and times throughout the Shirley area.

Each one is characterised by a commitment to helping everyone grow as a follower of Christ in all aspects of their life for the whole of their life, including those who might still be exploring issues of faith.

Life Groups with confirmed dates to re-start:

Tuesday 2pm will continue on Zoom for the time being. Please see Keith Hawton for log in details.

Thursday 10am in The Link
Re-starts 9 September

For all other groups please check with the Leaders for dates.

Contact Us

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Opening Hours:

Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri 10am-12noon

Tuesdays from 7 September 1-3pm