

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 24 October

10.30am Morning Worship

Leader: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Preacher: Simon Wroe

Sermon Series: **A Time To Build - Part 6**

Life Group Notes will be available to download from our website & printed copies from the Church Office.

Our **Fire! Activity Groups** cover all ages from babies to teenagers! Visiting children are welcome to join, a welcomer will show you the way!

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.

Primary School Groups: Sparklers (Yrs R-2) and **Rockets** (Yrs 3-6) meet in the Spurgeon Hall. **Children must be dropped off & collected by a parent.**

Secondary School Group: Flame (Yrs 7-11) meets in the Keeble Centre. Young People will be returned to the Link at 12noon by their Leaders.



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.

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.

Sunday 31 October

10.30am Morning Worship

Leader: Jill Waldron

Preacher: Pastor Shaun Sweeney

Sermon Series: **A Time To Build - Part 7**

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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.

Face coverings remain recommended by the Government and the Baptist Union in enclosed and crowded spaces.

We would encourage all those who choose not to wear a face covering to sit downstairs, as near to the front as possible.

Please leave the balcony for those with compromised immune systems and the pews under the balcony free for those who choose to wear face coverings.

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. If you wish to talk to someone who has chosen to wear a face covering, please respect them by putting on a face covering.

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.

Prayer Opportunities

Prayer Lunch Tuesday 2 November 12.30pm in the Keeble Centre
Join Shaun with your packed lunch! Everyone is very welcome.

Zoom Prayer Meeting Wednesday 10 November at 7.30pm
and will continue on the 2nd Wednesday of each month

Upcoming Events

Link on Saturday next meets on **30 October 3-5pm** in **The Link**

A monthly group for families, couples and individuals. See Clint for details.

Christmas Shopping Morning

Sat 13 Nov 10am - 12noon

In aid of Childsplay Romania



Childsplay ROMANIA

Responding to the needs of under-privileged children in Romania
UK Charity Number 1123654

Praise @ 4pm

Praise @ 4pm Service

Sunday 14 November Remembrance Sunday

Followed by afternoon tea.

M & Ms Ladies Group "Christmas Gift Tags"

Wednesday 17 November 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.

Board Games Evening

Saturday 20 November 6.30-8.30pm in the Spurgeon Hall

Get to know people & deepen relationships. Bring your favourite game or choose from the selection the Insley Family have!

Real Advent Calendar



The Real Advent Calendar is a fun way to share the Christmas story.

Features a 24-page Christmas story activity book, 25 Festive foiled chocolates made from Fairtrade blend-35% cocoa & free from palm oil, Recyclable box and tray, Charitable donation, Made, designed and produced in the UK.

It is not available in Tesco this year. To order please contact the Church Office. Price varies from £5.99 each down to £4.50 depending on how many we order and where from.

for Children & Families

Speckled Frogs Toddler Group will be closed this week for Half Term and resumes again on **Tue 2 Nov 10-11.30am**

Please book your place *each week* 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

Mondays 6.30pm in the Link

New members are welcome!

You do not need to be able to read music: you just need a willingness to learn. For more information, please speak to Ruth Powell.

Get Together for Chat & Craft

Thursdays 2pm in The Link

Friday Friendship Club

1.30pm in the Spurgeon Hall

Speakers, entertainment & friendship for older folk

Monthly Activities

M & Ms Ladies Group

Monthly on a Wednesday

7.45pm in the Link

Dates: 8 December, 26 January

Board Games Evening

Monthly on Saturday

6.30-8.30pm in the Spurgeon Hall

Dates: 20 November; 8 January; 5 February; 5 March; 2 April

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.

Ken & Margaret Amy's Group

meet on **Sundays** at 7.30pm for

Prayer & Chat and **Mondays** at

6pm for Bible Study both via Zoom. Newcomers are very welcome.

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

Thursdays 10am in The Link Led by David Woodford.

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For all other groups please check with the Leaders for dates and type of meeting.

Contact Us

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Opening Hours:

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

Tuesdays 1-3pm